



**HOPING FOR A CHANCE TO WIN**, Ann Anderson (above) were a fashion watch and a pin made by Karen Metcalf. Jeni Henningson (left) modeled a pair of capri pants with matching top and three-quarter sleeve jacket. tried for one of two door prizes at the fashion show. The prizes

## Spring pastel fashions modeled at The Gateway

Women and girls of all ages had the chance Sunday to see purples, lime greens, pinks, reds, blacks and many other spring colors in the Dresser fashion show, "Pretty in Pastel," at The Gateway.

Although the ladies woke up to snow that morning, they were ready to model sleeveless dresses, shells and reversible skirts and pants of all different lengths. Karen Metcalf, co-manager of the cooperative store, told the audience of about 60 people that years ago, the question was over what length your skirt should be. What was too long or too short? This year, she said, there are several lengths of pants.

There are pants which go over the top of your shoe, hit at the ankle, hit mid-calf and some that fall right below the knee. Although each have their separate names, Mrs. Metcalf referred to all as capri pants, which she said are "in" this year in all sorts of the colors.

The spring fashion show is an annual event, Mrs. Metcalf said, although she couldn't remember how long it had been going on. In the fall, the store also holds a show, but last year it was snowed out. That show was to benefit the DCHS Singers, and since they didn't get a chance to perform at the fall show, they sang and danced for the women on Sunday.

The spring show was a benefit for Sappa Park Restoration Committee for the shelter house. Each ticket was \$3 and the store will donate about \$100 for the park.

"I think that park may be the best kept secret in Kansas," said Mrs. Metcalf.

After the show, the women enjoyed refreshments upstairs at The Gateway and were invited to the store to purchase clothing with a 20 percent-off certificate, good until the end of April.

Mrs. Metcalf said the show went well and is always received nicely by the customers.

"We have good business afterwards and had good traffic downtown," she said.



**WITH A SMILE** and string of pearls Shirley Shields (far left) modeled a pink shirt and reversible floral skirt. Dressed in black, Violet Shaw modeled a long gown with intricately cut black shapes on the bottom.

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