

# More And Better Clothes For 1964 Is Current Outlook

## Foresee Little Change In Overall Price Of Clothes

The year 1964 is shaping up as a good one for clothing shoppers. Supplies of clothing should be ample enough to meet the expected demand, and prices are expected to remain stable.

Further improvements in cotton garments are in sight. A USDA-developed treatment imparts wash-wear properties to cotton and per-

Other finishing materials. This single treatment may prove capable of attaching other chemicals to cotton, including those that give resistance to fire, rot, and mildew and some repellency to water and oil.

Improvements are underway for woolen apparel and household textiles too. Wool sweaters and blouses that can be washed by machine are appearing on the market, along with permanently pleated wool skirts and permanently creased slacks and trousers. These easy-care properties are obtained through treatments developed by ARS and other scientists.

Nonwoven fabrics, combining materials and production techniques used by the textile and paper industries, are now offered for disposable items and are said to be less than the prices of laundering those made of cotton. Eventually, such products may reach consumer markets.

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FOR KENYA INDEPENDENCE — Miss Peggy Martin, left, "Miss A&T," presents a cake, a gift from A&T College students, to Aynbu Wastakila, a student at Guilford College, and Obadiah K. Ngaya, a student at A&T, both from Kenya, Africa, program principals in the Kenya Independence Celebration held last week at A&T College. Miss Geneva Holmes, advisor to foreign students at A&T, looks on from right. More than 250 persons, including the 16 students from Kenya, enrolled in colleges and universities in North Carolina, attended the event.

### The Veteran's Corner

Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families.

Q—If a veteran has named his mother as beneficiary of his GI insurance and later marries and has children, will his new family automatically receive the insurance when he dies?

A—The VA is required by law to pay the insurance proceeds to the last designated beneficiary in writing to the VA. A last will and testament does not change the designated beneficiary with VA. If he fails to designate his wife and children, the money would go to his mother.

Q—How much time remains for Korean War veterans to get educational benefits from the Veterans Administration?

A—The educational provisions of the so-called Korean GI Bill expire for all on Jan. 31, 1965. Thus, only about one year remains to take advantage of that provision.

Q—I read that a person worked for the VA for more than 40 years. Yet the VA wasn't formed until 1930. Explain this.

Originally, there were several organizations that served veterans in various ways. One of the earliest of these was the Bureau of Pensions. Another was the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. The Bureau of War Risk Insurance originally insured wartime shipping but later took over service to veterans. Several of these groups were combined into the Veterans Bureau in 1921, and this new

organization was combined with the other groups to form the VA in 1930.

Q—My neighbor received a card with his November 30 check from the VA which says he must report his income for 1963 and that expected in 1964 and have the card

### "Uncle Tom's Cabin:"

## College Students Of 1963 Turn Modern Viewpoint On Old Book

HAMPTON INST., Va.—College students of 1963 on a Southern campus last week turned a modern viewpoint on a book that was perhaps the most controversial published in mid-nineteenth century, "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

A panel of four sophomore students participated in a discussion sponsored by the Pre-Alumni Council at the regular weekly assembly.

"Many Negroes today would rather be called 'nigger' than 'Uncle Tom,' so great is the opprobrium attached to the subservience of the central character in Mrs. Stowe's book," said Levi Lewis, a freshman from Freeman, Va. Whether you lived north or south of the Mason-Dixie line, reaction to the book was definite—positive or negative.

The book personalized an issue for Northerners, until then probably only a something and immoral Southerners, indignant called it "slandrous" and

made possession of the book illegal.

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