

At Advance Preview



Double strand of cultured pearls, part of collection to be shown next week at D. M. Read company's Trumbull department store, is worn by Mrs. Matthew Blakely, 58 Old Field road, Trumbull, a customer who was given an advance preview of the \$10,000 necklace. Aiding Mrs. Blakely is David Miller, divisional merchandise manager at Read's.

STORE TO OPEN PEARL SECTION



LINDA TUDOR

A cultured pearl collection valued at \$75,000 will be on display in the D. M. Read company's Trumbull department store in the Trumbull shopping park Monday through Saturday.

The collection, presented by Imperial Pearl Syndicate, Inc., is being shown to mark the opening of a pearl section in the jewelry department of the Trumbull store.

Included in the exhibit will be a \$10,000 pearl necklace with a fire pearl and set with 12 diamonds.

The cultured pearl exhibit is designed to show "Three Thousand Years of Pearls in Fashion." Beginning with ancient Egypt, when wide collars of pearls and colored stones were worn, the Imperial Museum collection includes pearls showing the historic periods of Queen Elizabeth I, Empress Josephine, the last Dowager Empress of China, Dolly Madison, through the pearls of today.

Miss Linda Tudor, a cultured pearl specialist with Imperial, will be present to explain the

collection and to give advice on selection of cultured pearls for the modern wardrobe.

According to Miss Tudor, the styling of pearl jewelry has changed little over the centuries, but the cost is less today.

The price of pearls, she points out, was exorbitant before man learned the secret of inserting a speck of mother of pearl shell into the shell of an oyster, forcing the oyster to develop a pearl as a protection against the irritating particle.

It takes three and a half to seven years to grow a pearl, she said.

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