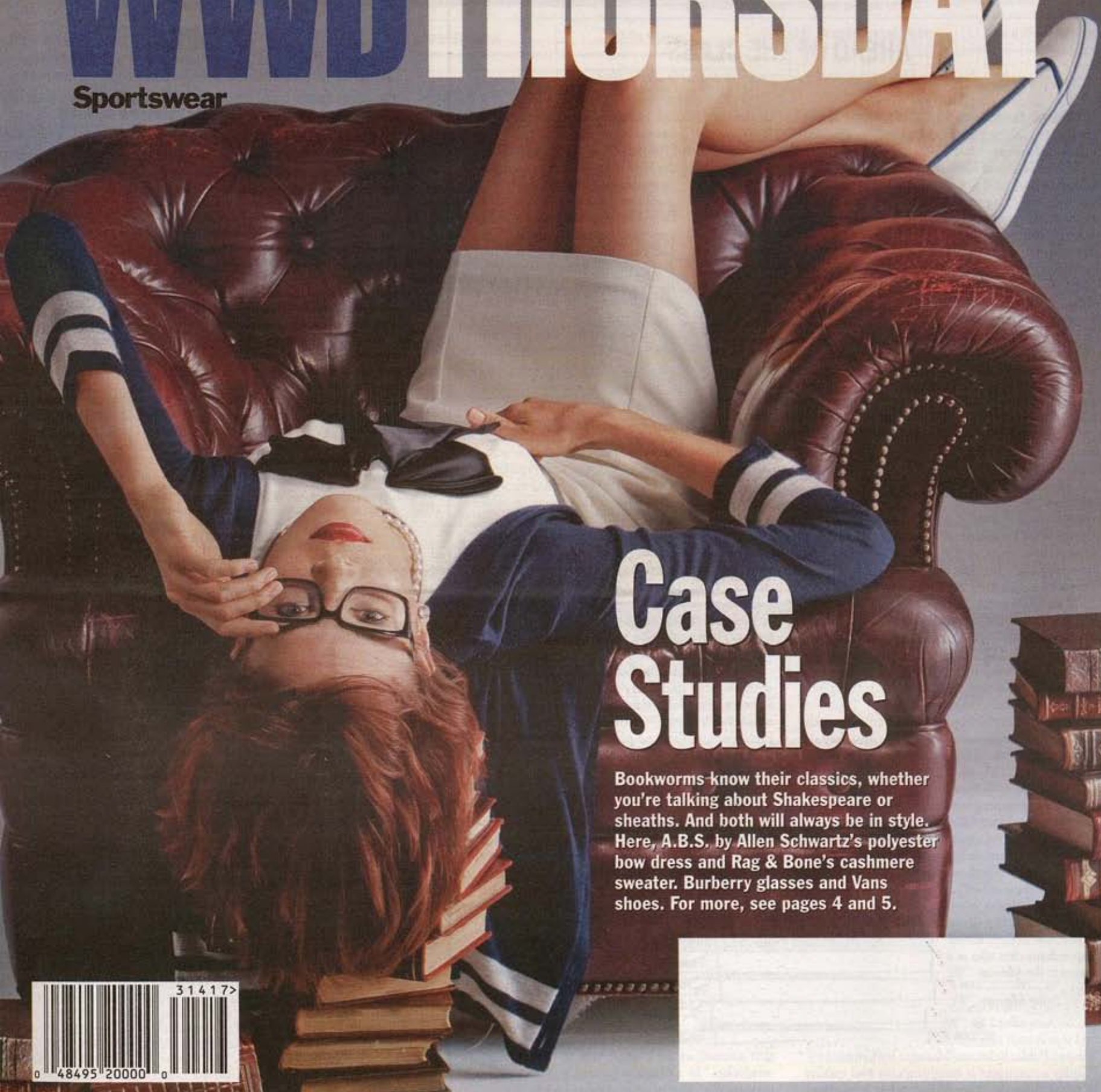


Fashion Scoops

COUPLES NIGHT: Charity party hoppers, take note: On Saturday night, there's another soiree just a stone's throw away from ArtWalk NY's cocktail benefit for the Coalition for the Homeless in Sagaponack, Southampton. American Eagle Outfitters's Martin + Osa label is holding an event in partnership with nonprofit art organization Creative Time. The theme? It's all about the two summertime C's: couples and cocktails. The amorous motif stems from the line's inspiration in early 20th-century husband-and-wife adventurers Martin and Osa Johnson. Though the guest list certainly isn't limited to pairs, expected couplings include **Jonathan Adler** and **Simon Doonan, Eric** and **Kimberly Guilfoyle Villency** and **Chuck** and **Candy Pratts Price**.

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Bookworms know their classics, whether you're talking about Shakespeare or sheaths. And both will always be in style. Here, A.B.S. by Allen Schwartz's polyester bow dress and Rag & Bone's cashmere sweater. Burberry glasses and Vans shoes. For more, see pages 4 and 5.



As Industry Digests Mervyns Bankruptcy, Could Boscov's Be Next?

By WWD Staff

Even as the industry digested the news of a bankrupt Mervyns, rumblings grew of another potential Chapter 11 filing by a major retailer: Boscov's Department Stores.

Sources told WWD that Boscov's could file for bankruptcy as early as Monday, depending on whether it is able to secure a cash transfusion. Sources also said the owning families might inject more cash into the chain

to prevent a bankruptcy filing, but after making a nearly \$30 million contribution within the last month, there's a greater chance that additional capital might not be forthcoming.

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