

Blouses to Which Fashion Creators Have Given Much Consideration



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By Maudé Hall.
The way of the fashionable figure is straight, long and narrow. Women who are doing their duty by their wardrobes as by their country are devoting particular attention to slim material saving frocks, and there is no other shonette for the war time frock but the straight one.
The bottom of the tunic may assert its independence of set rules and drop in a point at some unexpected place, or flare just a wee bit, but just below the edge of the tunic the silhouette collapses into a narrowness more than ever accentuated by way of atoning for its momentary digression. There is a considerable variance in the degree of narrowness in the new skirts and many clever arrangements safeguard them against the violations of good taste committed in models of earlier seasons. Bustle draperies are less prominent, at least as far as wool frocks are concerned, but tunics will enjoy high

favor for several weeks to come.
The Egyptian crepes, Japanese silks, Persian lawns give a decidedly oriental note to the season's fashions and this is emphasized by all kinds of delightful embroideries, braided motifs and other garnitures. There are also some fascinating checked China silks in blue, red or orange combined with white, which makes delightful separate skirts to wear with little shirt waists with crepe Georgette or chiffon cloth. Sports skirts and a few small sleeveless sports coats have been shown in this material.
Egyptian crepe, a rather thin silk material, is particularly good in Japanese blue, that lovely medium blue of a subtly greenish tone, and printed with flowers with two shades of blue with dashes of pink, makes a lovely day-time frock. The skirt is gathered to a simple waist under a

deep girde of self-material finished at one side with a sash. Into the front is set a square vest of organdy and the neck is finished with a large collar of the same material. Designers are varying the extreme simplicity of their new models with the most adorable collars and other dainty accessories. One rejoices in a wide carved organdy with frilled edge and deep cuff to match. Another has wonderfully effective collar and cuffs of eyelet embroidered linen and a third has a two-tiered white organdy collar over green, the bright color being repeated in the smart one sided tie for the girdle.
The simpler and less expensive organdy collars and chemisettes are legion and usually white, though there may be a very delicate color introduced, as on a lovely frock of figured handkerchief linen. The collar and revers of white are cut in

one and trimmed with pink, blue and white embroidery. This decoration is repeated on the tunic and sleeves.
Handkerchief linen frocks, among the earlier productions, easily take first place as the most adorable of the washable models, though perhaps it would scarcely be safe to test the dyes so far as actually to send them to the laundry. Hemstitching is used in the daintiest of fashions on these charming frocks to outline a hem or in a design on the body of the frock.
Drab frocks, especially when made of linen, are very de rigueur. One particularly pretty model is brightened by a vest and plaited skirt panel of delicate green linen, the vest being embroidered with soutache braid and surmounted with a collar of self-material similarly braided. The sleeves are long, flaring slightly at the wrists and bound with a band of

green linen, braided, of course.
A rather striking one-piece costume in beige linen has a widely plaited skirt with under-gores of brown and white striped linen. The arrangement is more effective and nothing has been produced this season that offers greater possibilities for the combination of plain and striped materials. The collar and cuffs are off the striped linen, but the wide belt is in plain beige.
So much emphasis is being placed upon the straight slim figure that it is going to require the most diplomatic handling of the new season's frocks to save them from overpopularity. Already there are opening vistas of speculation as to what state of spectacular slimmness we may be moving toward, blissfully unconscious of our fate.
Women of good taste will avoid the pencil tailored frocks, so scant that they rise well above the knees

whenever the wearer mounts a step, while the restrictions of the hobbie soft materials. This does not mean that the scant skirts should not be encouraged, for there never was a prettier model when it was cut within decent limits.
There is no need for alarm about frockish fashions. One will have to look a bit to find them, for on the whole, the clothes for spring and summer are decidedly good looking. Elegant they may be, but with a certain simplicity, a certain graceful discretion that tempers their elegance and makes the fantastic and spectacular exception jangle discordantly in the fashion symphony.
In frocks for children as well as for grown-ups, Paris clings to neutral tones and straight lines. A beige batiste trimmed with cluny insertion and insertion in natural color or in straight line effect is very be-

coming to a little girl. It is brightened with a belt of turquoise velvet ribbon.
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BRITISH FOUGHT DOUBLE NUMBERS

They Were Invariably Outnumbered by Four, Six and Eight to One.

GLORIOUS STORY IS TOLD

BY PHILIP GIBBS, THE GREAT WAR CORRESPONDENT.

The Sheer Human Valor of the British Tommies Makes the World Throb—The French Come to Their Ally's Support.
London, March 28.—Writing from the war correspondents headquarters in France, Philip Gibbs says:
The enemy has only paused since he began the great offensive on Thursday last, to bring up new divisions, and to pass them through and beyond those divisions exhausted by the attack or shattered under our fire, while those Reform and rest and then come on again. Relieved once more by reserves continually crowding over the captured ground by this means, and owing to the enormous forces at the disposal of the German command, they are able to pursue any advantage gained with fresh troops against our hard-pressed men, who have been fighting without respite since the beginning of the battle six days ago, except where, on the right, some of them have now been replaced in the front line by French battalions.
In spite of the gravity of these hours and the progress made by the

enemy, there has never been more glorious spirit shown by British troops throughout our history and when one day but not now, all the details of this battle may be written (there is hardly time to tell more than the outline of what is happening day by day) it will be an epic of heroism more wonderful than the world now realizes, for our men and their officers have withstood the onslaught of enormous forces, which never have been less than two to one, and in most parts of the line have been four to one, and six to one, and eight to one, nine divisions against three, round Croisilles, eight divisions against two from the Cambrai section westwards, and in many places one division against one battalion.

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Killing Huge Masses.
For six days they have been killing the enemy as he advances across the open of the old battlefields, nakedly exposed to the fire of our riflemen in some old trench of theirs or ours on those battlefields of the Somme which were left derelict for a year, as I saw them yesterday above Pozieres ridge, where they made fire trenches of these ditches full of dugout, and shoot down German troops as in the old days at Le Catiau, lay their ranks out in dead and wounded, and immediately the gaps were filled up by those grey swarms behind, and our weakened forces come further back to a new ditch or road from which they fire again and kill again, and fall back of the cost of his advances, and his tide never ceases its drifting.
Our men have been fighting six days and nights like this after the first storm of shells and gas, until their heads have grown long and their faces haggard and worn for lack of sleep, and their clothes torn on mud and to-day so weary with this endless battle they could hardly walk children and leaning against each other like drunken men, but for the most part they hold their heads up gamely because so far the luck has been against them.
They look grimly toward the enemy's lines, waiting for him to show himself across the slope and then they can deal with him one more, and

while they are waiting they stand about in groups under the cover of ruined walls or in sunken roads, smoking cigarettes, with their rifles back over their eyes, which are steady and calm.

The whole movement of our army under the necessity of our withdrawal from fixed positions is as orderly as though on manoeuvres in England. I can say honestly I have seen no officer show a sign of being flurried. Transport lorries move away from the road

TROUBLED FOR YEARS WITH BRONCHITIS

Retains Self-Control.
It is all an amazing drama because this open warfare is a new thing to us and the menace of the enemy is strong and serious and the retirement under the terrific pressure of the human avalanche now hurled against us is by no means pleasant, but in the inevitable turmoil of this situation, in roads crowded with the traffic of men and guns, in villages seething with troops rushed up toward the battleline on the field of battle itself the British army retains its self-control, its will power and its supreme inspired courage.
Above all it retains its hopefulness and its faith. These are dark days for us because of the sacrifice of life and the success of our enemy in gaining ground, but at least this is good and great that our armies still remain unbroken and the enemy has failed to divide our forces or to cut off large masses of our men. Our generals have control of the machine from one end of the line to the other, no division has been lost, however battered it may be by heroic fighting. The enemy has to pay dearly all the way along, and our men have never lost heart or courage to keep the German hordes in check long enough for an orderly retirement. That is wonderful and magnificent and the heart of the world will beat faster because of what these men have done and are still doing in sheer human valor.
New French divisions have come to our support and taken the places of some of those men of our who fought longest and at the greatest sacrifice.

only when it becomes untenable by the enemy's shell fire and retire to some villages further back, where they uppack their supplies on another roadstead with a leisurely method. Much faster than it seems camps are packed up and stores removed as the Germans are reported nearer and the headquarters staffs change their lodgings from one old chateau to another, or one cottage to another, with their signallers and dispatch riders, and retain extraordinary composure because of the perfect discipline of character which is the quality of our race in bad times as well as in good times.

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One of the most dramatic incidents was when the British weary troops fighting hopeless odds and striving to prevent the Germans securing a certain crossing of the Somme, the French reinforcements arrived, and without hesitation, poured in amongst the British, infusing fresh vigor and saving the situation.

After a man has acquired a certain amount of wisdom he would rather add to it than display his meagre hoard.

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