

# Lovely Spring Styles for Children Come With Much Delight



In the wake of February joys come lovely new styles for children happily growing up. Youngsters, like grownups have their new fashions introduced early, in anticipation of the Southern season.

To say that the advance modes are practical as well as smart is to repeat a statement that has become common-places; yet there is no more accurate way of informing the mothers who can not take in the winter resorts of what those who can, are planning for their offspring. Dresses as well as wraps are built upon simple lines, with as few seams as possible. This will be assuring to the home dressmaker. Another splendid feature of the coming season's juvenile fashions is that they

combine economy with style, overblouse and detachable effects making it possible to utilize dresses which have been outgrown in new and attractive ways.

One-piece models prevail and a wide variety of materials are used in their development. For juniors many frocks have underblouses of contrasting fabric, with overwaist being edged with the narrowest of frills, pipings or rows of fancy stitching, the pipings and embroidery being in color. The touch of color is always effective and extremely fashionable. There seems little disposition on the part of the designers to exploit all white dresses, even for girls in their teens; except for very formal wear.

A becoming design and easy to make, is in sand color voile. The skirt is gathered to an underblouse of all-over lace mounted on an organdy foundation. There are two deep tucks and a deep hem. Over the lace blouse there falls a panel-like arrangement of voile, edged with ruffled ribbon in a delicate shade of rose. The fronts of this over-trimming extend below the belt of rose satin in tab effect and are slit for the girdele to pass through.

For formal wear there is a lovely model in white challis having the skirt and bodice edged with shirred bands of white satin. The narrowest of soutache braid is stitched along either edge of the shirring. A square neck and short sleeves add to the

elegant simplicity of the model. The extended sides of the waist fall all over a crushed girdele of satin.

For tiny tots there are splendid things in batiste, lawn, organdy and, if you will, silk or soft satin. These consist of short waisted bodies, with gathered skirts attached under rows of beading through which ribbon is laced and left to form bows at one side or sashes at the back. Narrow ribbon is much used in the decoration of little dresses, a fact worth remembering when one considers the cost of wide ribbons today. An especially dainty batiste with waist and skirt joined after the manner last described has the skirt trimmed with rows of tiny self-frills, the topmost

being looped with bows here and there.

Plaits as well as gathers enter into the composition of girls' dresses. The designers are resorting to old-fashioned calicoes for children, doing them up most effectively with collars, cuff hems and cuffs of blanket-stitched linen and deep girdeles of gaily flowered silk or ribbon.

A plaid gingham is not exceedingly smart, but has the happy faculty of giving fullness and accentuating slowness at the same time. One of the prettiest combinations thus far shown has delicate green and dark blue checked on a background of tan. The plain, gathered skirt is trimmed with several rows of dark blue wash braid and in-

stead of the usual belt, the waist is stitched in deeply girdeled effect with the braid. Long sleeves are self-cuffed and braided and braid-stitched white the neck, following the same line of decoration; is in square effect.

The little queens of the realm who are never so happy as when doted up in frocks with lace and embroidery have much to be thankful for this season, for the simple design of most of the dresses affords ample opportunity for the introduction of dainty touches of needlework. Embroidery motifs centered in circles of diamond-shaped designs outlined with lace insertion are always appealing, while some clever panel de-

sign effects are accentuated with embroidery bands.

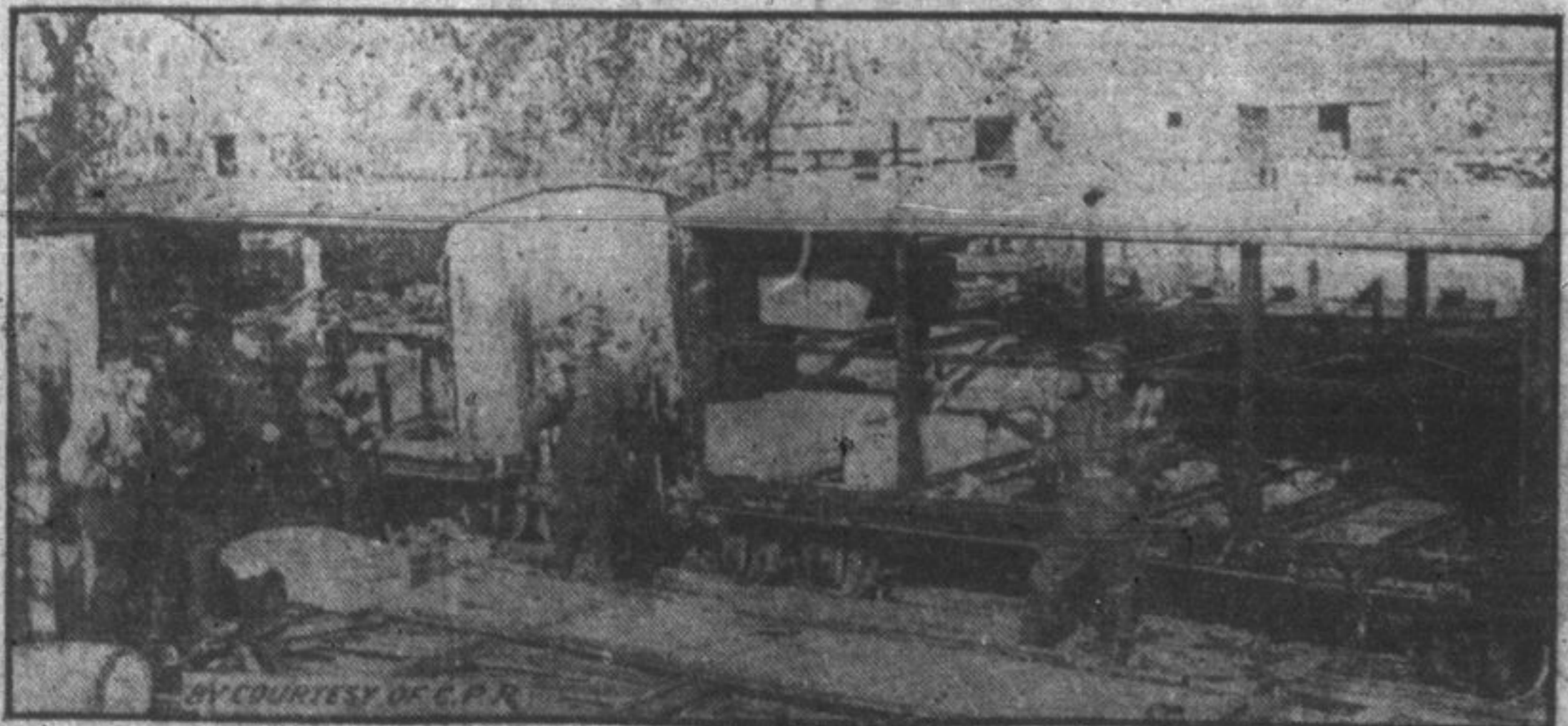
Suits adapted to the activities of small boys are interesting, whether they be rompers of the trig-appearing dress suit. Mothers still are succumbing to the insistent demand for sailor suits, which are made of drill and similar sturdy stuff.

Dress suits in black velvet, satin and broadcloth are extremely good-looking. While trousers and jacket are mostly alike, there are excellent models with trousers of white and coat of blue or black. White linen jackets and sashes of corded silk are worn, showing that the Spanish influence has invaded even the realm of small boys' attire.

## How The Hun Used His Red Cross Trains



A Canadian signaller mending a wire in a street flooded by the enemy before they left Valenciennes.



A captured German Red Cross train which they had used for conveying ammunition.

The Bolsheviks are endeavoring to surround the Allied troops in Archangel district.

Demobilization of the U.S. army passed the million mark during the past week.

Admiral Jellicoe will start on his tour in connection with an Empire naval scheme about Feb. 20th.



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The world owes you a living son,  
By methods clean and right  
Sometimes by work it may be won  
Sometimes you've got to fight.



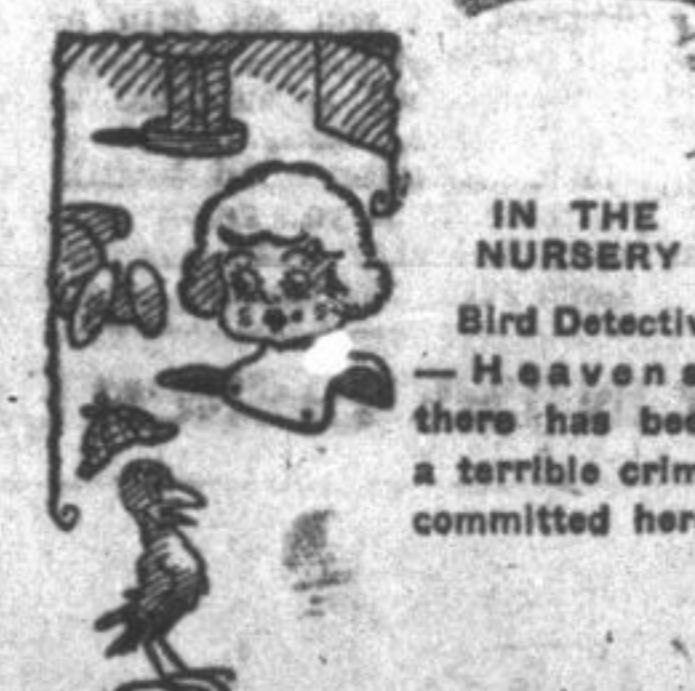
**HAPPY DAYS**  
Both—Here's where I've found my match at last!



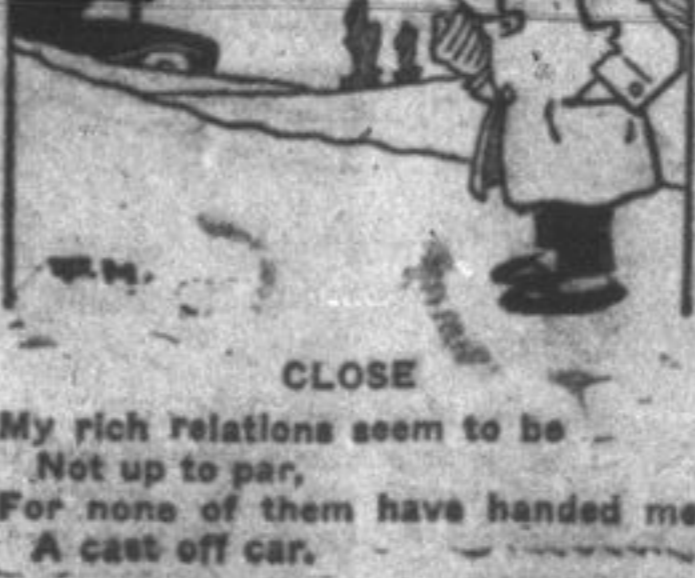
**WOES OF THE RICH**  
"It must be nice to have a lady's maid?"  
"Yes, but it's annoying the days the cook doesn't come, and you have to cook for the lady's maid."



**IN THE GARDEN**  
Eve—it isn't very thickly settled here.  
Adam—That's true; I don't think it will be necessary to have a traffic officer yet awhile.



**IN THE NURSERY**  
Bird Detective—Heavens, there has been a terrible crime committed here.



**CLOSE**  
My rich relations seem to be not up to par,  
For none of them have handed me A cast off car.



One of the scenes in "A Little Mother," which comes to the Grand Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 4th and 5th, with a special matinee Wednesday.

Winnipeg has organized a stock company to place a team in the Western Canada Baseball League, which will resume after four years of inactivity.

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