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# DRESS

BY ANNE RITTENHOUSE

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Blouses of Colored Silk Jersey, Plain and Knitted. Are shown with new Tailored Suits Instead of Wash Blouses.—They Have High Collars and Are Often Sleeveless.

Paris, Sept. 29.—Soft knitted silk jersey blouses are shown with the new tailored suits and they are in brilliant vogue. The material of the suit is dull. When the mannequins walked into a dressmaking salon over here showing off the American tailored suit which the French like and have adopted for their own people, the observer quickly took in the new details of a high Directoire collar, slight fullness of the hips, and the knee-length of the jacket.

These details were sufficiently interesting to hold the attention and no one expected more surprises, but it came when the mannequins took off their coats and showed blouses that were not of the traditional muslin or chiffon. But of supple silk jersey woven in a design like chain mail. They were in rich light colors. Some had long sleeves, others had no sleeves. All had collars that reached to the chin and could button up or roll back ward.

The French accept it buttoned up; the Americans insist it should roll back. With a remarkably good suit made in an immense gray check here was a silk jersey blouse of spring leaf green; a copper-colored suit had a blouse of pale pink jersey; a dark blue suit had one of lemon yellow.

All the observers instantly agreed that such a blouse was more practical and more attractive than the figure, more suitable for winter weather than a blouse of white fabric or material of chiffon. It is a distinctly new note. At the present hour the shops ask 175 francs for such a blouse, but nobody expects to pay such prices after August when the buyers sell at the highest prices they can obtain from the Americans; they know that the garment will be copied and multiplied by the dozen.

One of the green blouses in alluring green like the first leaves of spring, fitted the figure quite snugly, rippling around the waistline in several folds and flaring over the skirt at the sides with an accordion pleated ruffle. There is a pink one that is round in the neck, short in the sleeve, outlines the bust, wrinkles over the waist, and has a tight band that fits the hip. There is a bit of embroidery at the edge of the neck and sleeves. This is the only type of the jersey blouse that is collarless.

Others have high collars to be in keeping with the strong Directoire tendency that exhibits itself in so many of the arrangements at the neck.

It's a curious combination, isn't it? This Spanish-Russian-Moroccan Directoire melange of fashions. No costume carries out all the points of its period or its country; all the costumes are a mingling of each other.

The Directoire neck arrangement everywhere the same when clothes are intended for the daylight hours. The low neck, the oblong opening of the Italian Renaissance had vanished a night. Bodices, coats, wraps, amount to the chin. Many of them mount to the nose.

None of the tailored suits have coats with wavy and flat collars or plain neck lines. They all fasten up to the collar bone and then wrinkle upward to cover the chin. The buttons stand straight up from the coat to the top edge of collar, or the collar may wrap about the neck and button at the side. There is a cuff at the top of the collar which is formed by turning the material over and facing it with another fabric. The collar itself may be of leather to match gauntlet cuffs.

The leather belt is not used on any coat, and none of the long jackets, and by this one means those that are cut to the knees, have any kind of belt except one of silk cords and metal plaques, or linked pieces of metal. These are very good on short coats for young girls and they are put on a large majority of the serge and velveteen frocks.

Not all the blouses shown with the coat suit at the openings were of jersey silk, but the way, for one that caused somewhat of a sensation was of pale pink kid made without a high collar. It was worn with a blue suit and was very supple and smart.

Bags of all sorts are trimmed with black, and umbrella handles are likewise adorned. Though jet beads, trimmed slippers have not made any headway to speak of, jet buckles are sure to find favor with the American woman who always thinks more about shoe buckles than does the French woman.

The present role of jet is rather splendid, surely alluring and perhaps just a little barbaric. Could anything be more different from the jet of your childhood? You remember jet of those days, do you not? It was such a prime and proper adornment then, was it not? There was that estimable great aunt of yours whom you went to see summer times. For years she possessed and relied on a jet yoke and trimming bands of jet. They were well made and expensive to buy and oh, how careful she was that none of the precious black beads should be lost. They adorned her "best" black silk frock. It was of substantial construction. The frock was all wrapped up, the jet carefully removed while the silk was renovated by being sponged in beer—and you may be sure that was the only use to which the good woman ever put that exorable beverage—then the frock was put together again inside out, and the precious jet trimming securely put back. Sometimes there were little extra bits of jet that were added to the skirt just to give a little festive touch. On the whole it was a form of trimming that you never dreamed might ever possess the possibilities that it seems now to show.

Harold Thompson, Shannonville, was fined \$250 and cited by Magistrate Bedford at Deseronto for selling whiskey at Shannonville.

The executive of the Belleville Y. M. C. A. have engaged W. H. Martin, Peterboro, as Physical Director.

Fred Dalley has purchased of Mrs. Clara Bertrand the residence adjoining the Herald House property, Clayton, N.Y., and will erect a garage.

Mrs. J. J. Wallace, Horton township, was taken ill at Renfrew fair, removed to hospital, dying on Sept. 19th.

W. Clinton, Wellington, brother of Dr. Clinton, Wellington, died very suddenly on Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lilly have returned to Perth after an absence of twenty years in Vancouver.

## TALKING IT OVER

—With LORRA MOOD—

### For Women Readers

My men readers can turn over the page and read the sporting news. I have nothing to say to them in this column to-day; I am going to talk clothes, and no one can stop me.

I have a friend who is a wizard at dressing herself on the half of nothing; not merely DRESSING herself, but understanding; she looks like some very exclusive shop where things always cost three figures.

I must tell you about her tunics—oh but to begin at the beginning. I had started out to look for a dress that would be not too dressy for everyday wear, and not too everyday for dressy wear—she found, as we all do, that there "ain't no such beast." And besides anything that might have suited was away beyond her reach.

In sorrow she went home and pulled out her last winter suit skirt. It is a checked mulberry and grey, she lengthened and faced it, and made it narrower; then she bought mulberry colored satin and made a tunic; for around the neck and arms she knitted bands in grey angora-wool, and a grille of satin with wool bobs. It is adorable, and it didn't cost her quite ten dollars.

Then for more dressy wear, she bought grey satin; she piped the neck with mulberry taffeta and on the front (these tunics are pull-over) she made a figure of conventional design out of the taffeta; this can be hemstitched on, but it is prettier applique, with steel beads in clusters. The eash of this tunic winds in and out, and is weighted with beaded bobs.

For less than twenty dollars she has two exquisite tolets. She says she is going to be very extravagant when cold weather comes and buy herself mulberry velvet which she will embroider in silver. By the way, embroidering in silver on velvet isn't as hard as it sounds. Cut out the bumpy parts of silver lace, turn the net under, and using this as a nucleus, work your pattern outward in sprays with silver thread. The result is astonishingly pretty, and very little work.

Will readers who have worked out original ideas in dressing write and tell me about it; I would like so much to hear about it.

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Toronto Ministers' Salaries. Toronto Star. Toronto ministers are receiving from \$1,000 to \$5,000 a year. The average salary is from \$2,000 to \$2,500, on which to maintain a good house, a library, and all the clothing required for the endless social activities of a minister's family. The two highest paid ministers in Toronto, one a Presbyterian and the other an Anglican, receive \$5,000. The highest paid in other denominations range around \$4,000 to \$4,500, and in several of these churches associate ministers are paid from \$2,000 to \$3,000. The lawyer, banker, doctor, engineer, such professions as demand study as the ministry, consider \$5,000 not the top notch, but the modest beginning of success. Ten to fifteen thousand dollars a year rewards the first-class business and professional man.

Wednesday at Clayton, N.Y., the steeple of the Baptist Church was struck by lightning and burned.

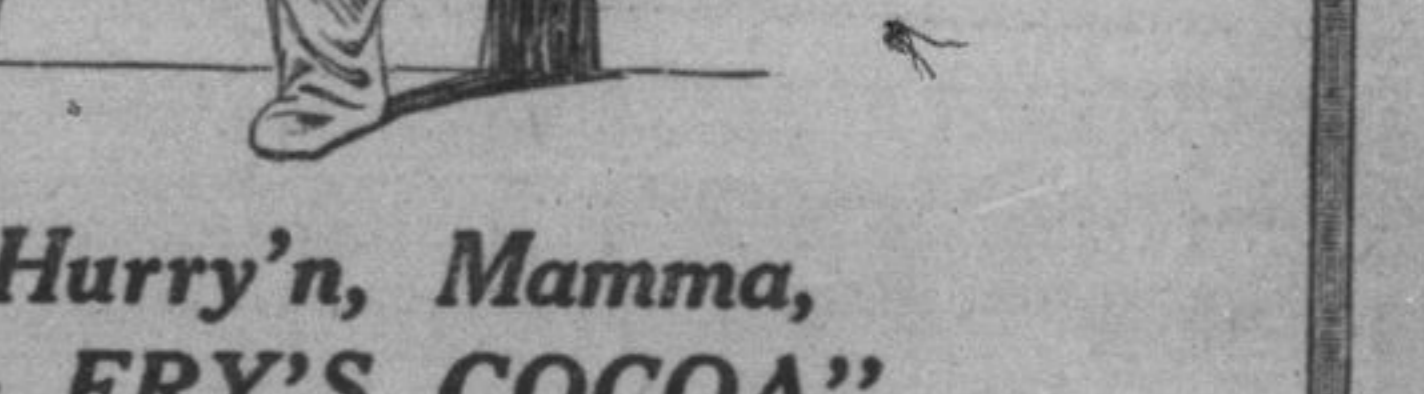
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