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As Paris Sees Our Spring

By ELEANOR GUNN

A further endorsement of the straight silhouette has been given by Paris for spring. The Directoire or raised waistline is one of the revolutionary ideas advanced by certain of the couture, namely Poiret whose usual aim is to be distinctive. In some interpretations, the suggestion is Grecian, but in others on y the details reflect the Grecian

The influence of China is undiminished, and is exploited in tailored costumes as well, which as the whole fashion world now knows. dominates the spring showings. is quite as much in color as in line that China is recognized, the celes-



Black is again stressed as are stunning combinations of black and white. This scheme never needs additional endorsement, and ranks next to black. Paris reports mocha and navy, while for evening, it is the delicacy of pastel tints which makes it is." the strongest appeal.

Among the startling innovations is the use of alpaca for evening gowns, and sheen broken by metal embroidery. It would seem as though America would follow the lead of Paris in regard to alpaca, but it has been slow in doing so. An occasional alpaca dress is noted at Palm done it?" Beach, which however, gave its approval to the alpaca bathing suit with the reservation that it be light in color. It seems unwise to enthuse over the raised waistline just now, for after all, the long waist remains the big factor.

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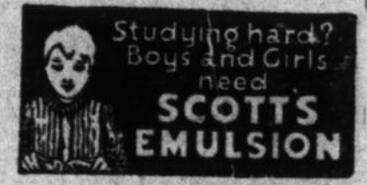
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By ANTHONY REIMERT

It was because three men had already plunged to death off the new bridge that swung dizzily above the river that Leach quickened his steps as he saw the prowling figure ahead of him looking down into the water. Nobody else was on the bridge at that hour of the night-nobody but Leach and the unknown. And, after all, why should Leach take it upon himself to stop the fellow? Life was miserable enough. Why not let him

seek that oblivion that he sought? It was only an undefinable instinct hat quickened Leach's footsteps as the intentions of the man in front of him began to be clear beyond a doubt. Suddenly the man threw off tial colors being fashion's own just his coat and began to clamber out upon the girders.

> At the same moment Leach grabbea min. The man began strugging violently. Leach held on like grim

For a minute or two the other fought with such frenzied strength that it was all Leach could do to hold him. But at last he had him subdued. He was a weakling after all, one of those anemic, undereloped, undersized runts that haunt the slums of the cities. There was the stamp of the slum rat on the wizened

"Aw, what you want with me? I ain't done nothing!" "You were just going to jump off the bridge.'

"Well, supposing I was? That ain't no business of yours, is it? "Well, I guess it is," answered Leach. "No man has the right to make away with himself." "No right, eh? Say, if you was up against what I am you'd feel different

about it, I guess." "Tell me your troubles." "You can't do nothing to help me. Why, you look down and out yourself!" 'said the other, inspecting Leach's ragged clothes for the first

"What you doing here any-

"Don't worry about me," answered Leach. "Just worry about yourself. Let's put our heads together and see if we can't hit on a betted plan for you than jumping off the bridge. First thing that strikes me is, you look as if you're hungry." "Hungry?" shouted the other

"There's a lunch wagon at the end of the bridge. Suppose we go and have some coffee and an egg sandwich, and then if you want to take the leap, why I guess I won't want to stop you.

Grumbling, the would-be suicide yielded. He put on his coat and accompanied Leach to the coffee

"Ya see," he explained, "I been out of work for weeks, and my wife's sick, and there's a kid, and there ain't no fire, and then my mother-inlaw, who brings us food, why, she's always on at me for a wastrel, and -Oh, it's hopeless, boss, that's what

"T've been out of work, too," said Leach. "I haven't got a wife and a kid, but if I had it would take more than a mother-in-law to make me take that jump. Pull yourself together, man! Go home and thank the Lord you didn't jump. Where would your wife and child be if you had

"That's true," muttered the other. as he devoured his sandwich raven-

There'll be plenty of work in little while," Leach continued. "You know how things are looking up. Why, say, you were just off your head, weren't you?" "I guess I was," mumbled the

other sheepishly. "Why, once you get work-you've got a trade, haven't you Cabinetmaker? Why, man, you'll be earning fine wages, and then you'll be-gin putting a little aside against a rainy day, and in a short time you'll have a swell bank account, and maybe a ear. And you'll be able to tell your mother-in-law where to go." The other stared at him. "Say, that's the stuff, Mister!" he answered. "You're dead right. No more of the morgue for mine. I'm going straight home. And I dunne how to thank you."

"Oh, that's all right," Leach answered, and he accompanied the man a little distance and watched him striding off in the distance with a hopeful stride. He looked back whimsically at the

bidge. He felt the solitary nickel that remained in his pocket. "Gee, that's good advice I gave him," he muttered. "I'm glad I thought of it. I'll get a job myself now-better than jumping off the bridge, as I was intending."

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