

IDEAS OF DESIGNERS ARE VARIED IN PLACING DISTENSION OF SKIRT

Net Petticoat Has Featherbone Hoop Run Through Shirred Casing—New Summer Frock Is Embroidered Richly in Blue, Giving Japanese Effect—Cut-Out Embroidery Is Popular.



Embroidered Silk Discs on Organdies



New Cut-out Embroidery With Net

This Skirt May Be Distended Anywhere

Some couturiers place the petticoat hoop at the hip; others drop it to the knee; still others locate it midway between, as in a Lanvin frock of frilled net which you will note has the very latest sleeve, with a deep flounce from the elbow. Under the frock, with its three tiers of frilled net flounces, is a net petticoat which has a featherbone hoop run through a shirred casing. With short lingerie dresses of this type buttoned boots of white washable kid are charming; but they must be the dancing type of boot, with turned sole and high Louis heel. Something entirely new is shown in one Summer frock from a well-known French house. Circles of white taffeta embroidered richly in blues, in Japanese effect, are couched to the white organdie with blue silk thread. The skirt is six yards around and is edged with white taffeta, and the cuffs and monk collar are also of white taffeta. So wide a skirt demands a dis-

less effect is piped with cord, where the sleeve is cut out over the shoulder and forms a buttoned band below. These are all "slip-ons," or one-piece swimming suits.

Diving Caps Are Gay.
Diving caps of bright and beautiful pure rubber gum which reminds you of the color seen at a modernist picture gallery, are now made in some magic seamless way to be pulled down over the forehead and warranted to keep them dry. They range from those quite without adornment to those which have rosettes, streamers and bands of Venetian striped rubber, or those which defy the waves with an upstanding trim of rubber feathers.

A pretty cap is made from a combination of gray Venetian striped rubber with edged band and rosette of gray rubber. Another has a pom-pom of the same rubber and a crown of blue and two streamers. A third has big polka dots of scarlet rubber set onto a foundation of pale blue rubber.

This rubber gum is so thin and transparent that the hair can be almost seen beneath, yet it provides perfect protection, if the diving cap is properly put on.

A unique diving cap has been invented this season which is called the "Aviator" because of its shape, which follows that of the Army aviator's headgear. This cap has a close-fitting headband and top of transparent gum in tan color, while a turnover piece for protecting the back of the neck is of bright red gum and is tied with strings under the chin. The wide headband is also decorated with red.

Dutch Cap Favorite.
The quaint Dutch cap is well liked and offers many ways of trimming. Stripes, plaids and plain colors are all used in the rubber gum and in rubber-lined fabrics for real service.

There is a considerable interest being taken in beach hats this season, and some extremely picture-que ones have been evolved out of what seems to have been cane chair backs or rattan work baskets, as well as of satin, rubber and rubberized materials. There is one hat of pale green gum rubber, and has a high shirred crown and a big bow of rubber, and while the broad brim is of the same rubber pleated into a wire edge. The brim is flexible, and can be worn up or down as you like it.

Another is the alpine shape, and is made of rubberized satin in orange and black with a facing of black. It has a rubber-feather stuck in at one side in an Alpine.

Next in newness and height comes the faced shoe of rubberized silk, which is much to look at like an ordinary walking shoe with an indestructible sole of heavy canvas combined with rubber cement. These come in black, navy, red and in black and white stripe. Another variety is or rubberized sateen or satin and has elastic sides.

Linen Boots Novelty.
High black linen boots are the newest things the mermaids can wear this season, for we are no longer in any doubt about mermaids having feet. They are too well provided with bathing shoes of all sorts, from the new high ones of linen to mere sandals, for the question to cross our minds. Rather do we lose ourselves in admiration. The high black linen ones have 12 eyelets laced with black across a narrow strip of white linen with a narrower piece outlining the top. Another high boot is of black satin, and has a similar treatment in white leather bindings. About the same style can be had in sateen in all the leading colors.

Very simple, but hygienic, are the lines of bathing corset made of rubber sheeting. This material is not stiff but sheds water like a duck, and proved itself a comfort for a leather blinder plump mermaid who "did not feel comfortable without a corset."

Brassier Is Worn.
A simple front buttoned brassier with narrow elastic over the shoulder can also be had, or worn with or without the corset. Other bathing corset models come in rubber webbing, and a sort of heavy corset cover made of a very firm cotton in a crossover model with quarter elastic at the top and bottom. Bathing hosiery is to be had designed for those who do not wish a corset proper, but appreciate some retaining undergarment.

Neckwear, sashes, garters, flowers, beach balls of inflated rubber, and long fringe-edged scarfs, are also made of the rubber sheetings in green, yellow and of gum rubber. A beach scarf of white rubber is a very handy thing to wrangle one's up when out at a bathing place. These scarfs are quite wide and long and have striking designs in contrasting rubber at the ends above a deep row of rubber fringe.

Window Boxes Make Homes Much More Attractive.
Gorgeous flowers grow well in shallow beds, but must be watered often and trimmed occasionally.

At this season every street in London is a veritable garden because of the boxes of bright flowers on the house fronts. Every domestic housewife has its gay window boxes and the dwellings of the rich look like hanging gardens, with flowers and vines on the window sills, all along the facade. This is to attract attention, give, over here, to this matter of window boxes, so inexpensive in first cost, and the charm and individuality of the single house on a block which shows a gallant array of glowing color on its window sills, is proof positive of what a whole block might be if house holders adopted the delightful English custom.

Flower boxes with proper arrangement for drainage, with a drainage water may be obtained at small cost from the florist, or from most department stores. Soil is an important consideration in these boxes, so shallow. The soil must be rich and nutritious if plants are to thrive. The best soil is made of one part of loam, one part of peat and one part of sand. After mixing the parts, soak well with water before adding the plants. These should be put in the soil at a time of day when the sun is not strong and kept well watered for a day or two. Pick off a few leaves so there will be less surface and the roots of the plant will get a good start. Always water your plants early in the morning or after sunset.

The most gorgeous flowers, if color is desired, are geraniums and these thrive well in window boxes. Have all the windows in one color, with scarlet or pink geraniums and yellow willow. After mixing the parts, soak well with water before adding the plants. These should be put in the soil at a time of day when the sun is not strong and kept well watered for a day or two. Pick off a few leaves so there will be less surface and the roots of the plant will get a good start. Always water your plants early in the morning or after sunset.

Fashion Hints Given.
You may have a dress distinctly original, by painting some simple motif in the blue or in lavender. A dark blue straw hat, with the crown garnished with light gray ribbon is a favorite color scheme of the moment.

ROYAL MARRIAGES IN EUROPE ARE ABSORBING CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION

Prince of Wales May Marry Daughter of King of Italy and Austrian Archduchess Alice Reported Engaged to Crown Prince of Bulgaria—Daughter of James Benson Kennedy Becomes Lady George Dunbar.



Lady Dunbar



Martha Gay



Queen of Spain



Princess Jolanda of Italy



Litta Belle Hibben



Archduchess Alice

IT IS reported that Princess Jolanda, the 15-year-old daughter of the King of Italy, may marry the Prince of Wales, who is 22. He has been visiting Rome lately.

The Austrian Archduchess Alice, it is reported, will marry the Crown Prince of Bulgaria. The match was arranged to confirm the alliance between the countries. However, these relationships don't go far in preserving peace. All the great rulers are cousins.

Another American woman now wears an English title. She was Sophie Kennedy, daughter of James Benson Kennedy, of New York, who has a home in

California, which is sending four delegates to St. Louis, has honored the society buds now at Midvale have hardly ever done anything more strenuous than swing a tennis racket before they joined the camp, which was established by Miss Candace Hewitt, of New York. Now they are drilling, policing camp and cooking.

The King and Queen of Spain are carrying on a fine charity for the soldiers of the nations at war. They have instituted a bureau of investigation, which makes inquiries concerning men of one country imprisoned in another and informs their families. The King and Queen are directing this work in person.

Gottham, has joined in a camp at Midvale, N. J. This is a part of the preparedness wave sweeping the country. The society buds now at Midvale have hardly ever done anything more strenuous than swing a tennis racket before they joined the camp, which was established by Miss Candace Hewitt, of New York. Now they are drilling, policing camp and cooking.

PARASOLS AND PICTURE HATS ARE LAWN FETE FETE COSTUME ESSENTIALS

Formal Array Is Antithesis of Sport Garb—Black-and-White Gowns Are to Be of Diaphanous Type—Shoes Must Follow Dictates of Fashion and High Heels Are Worn, Even if They Do Tear Up the Turf.

NEW YORK, June 17.—(Special.)—Not with the allurements of sport garb is one concerned today—and surprisingly enough, too, for sport clothes seem omnipresent—but with the more dignified allurements of fete costume; the lovely combinations of silk, lace and net, of floating ribbons and festooned roses that go "up the elbow but lengthened to the garden-party frock. The very antithesis of sport costume is this. One type of dress bespeaks informality, the other the extreme of formality. Sport attire this year has borrowed for itself the soft silks and satins, the pastel tints—even the parasols that belong to the formal costume, for all that there is a definite and unmistakable line drawn between the two types of dress and most of us are ever confused to know which is which. One could no more attend a formal lawn fete in a crepe de chine sport frock than one could of yachting in a garden party creation of lace and net.

There is one vital difference between these two styles of dress: one may mingle in a crowd of expensively dressed folk on a "sport" occasion, clad in humble duck skirt, canvas sneakers and worsted sweater and feel perfectly correct and "in the picture"—as far as sport clothes are concerned one is at liberty to dress as one pleases. But in the picture at a fashionable lawn fete one must be expensively frocked, hatted and booted; nothing less than the best and most distinctive will answer. Very beautiful costumes are exploited on these occasions—the last words in Paris frocks and hats. Indeed, next to an evening gown the most charming costumes a woman can put on is a typical garden fete costume of exclusive type.

Hats and Parasols Important.
At Newport, at Bar Harbor, at Southampton, at Lenox, at Tuxedo, at Coronado, at Long Beach, and at all the lesser social centers that copy the mod and manners of these places, garden fetes are given on a magnificent scale during the midsummer weeks. In the beautifully kept grounds of great houses, on the terraces, in sunken gardens, under pergolas, on the turf paths of lovely gardens, trees, pergolas and awnings provide shade, but nevertheless the parasol is the sign and symbol of a garden fete costume; it is even more important than a picture hat, and parasols are selected with infinite care that the ensemble may be perfection.

Under both skirts is a petticoat of white silk run with hoops of featherbone tubing. The net is as fashionable this Summer as ever—even more so, it seems—and perhaps no fabric is more appealing in midsummer than airy white net. A dainty fete frock of net shows the new elbow sleeves that are just coming in; sleeves reaching only to the elbow, elbow but lengthened to the hand by enormously deep frills. The white net frock referred to has three deep sleeve frills, not gathered but circular in cut, the edge of the frill, cut out in points and finished with a narrow net pleating. The frills are attached to the short sleeves under a double strip of pleating between which is twisted, pale blue satin ribbon. This blue ribbon runs under the wide collar and ties in a carefree bow at the front of the bodice. The collar is attached to a V-neck, cut well off at the shoulders and the outer edge of the collar is vandyked like the sleeve frill and finished with pleating. The skirt has three net flounces with vandyked edges trimmed with net.

Old-Fashioned Recipe for Shortcake Is Given
Biscuit Crust, Split and Covered With Mashed Strawberries, Is Served Piping Hot With Rich, Sweet Cream.

THIS is the season for good old-fashioned strawberry shortcake—the kind grandmother used to make, with a crisp, unsweetened biscuit crust and all the sweetness in sugared berries. Rich, sweet cream adds the final touch. If you are one of the unfortunate who board and are unable to get any strawberry shortcake except the modern sort, made of sweetened cake with a few lumpy, whole berries scattered on top and between the layers; here is an old-fashioned recipe for the real shortcake which you can make in a quantity for four persons in the tiny oven that fits over your one-burner gas stove.

Footwear for Fete Have Heels.
Sport considerations are cast aside when a garden party is in contemplation—rubber soled sport shoes never do at all, even if high heels do cut up the turf. The prettiest and highest heeled boots one possesses must be donned with the fete frock—or slippers if one prefers, though this Summer the high-buttoned boot of very washable kid sponges off snow white in a twinkling. In the colored glazed kid footwear tobacco brown is the new shade and there are charming blues, greens and violets, all obtainable in glazed kid boots with buttoned tops of white, fawn or pearl gray. Bronze or patent leather pumps with white or cream silk stockings are correct, if one fancies them.

Not a few of this year's garden fete costumes are in black and white combination; the black being almost invariably, fine black net or tulle. This is added to the white net or lace frock by inserted shirring, folded bands to imitate hems, and so on. Sometimes a drop of black net falls between a lace skirt and a tunic of net or lace. Such a frock is usually accompanied by a picture hat of airy black malines and by a black and white parasol. A garden party frock by Cheruit is of black net and black chiffon insertion over white silk, the silk skirt distended by featherbone hoops. A big black lace and tulle hat is trimmed with one deep red rose and there is a parasol to match the rose. There are even more formal garden fete frocks of tan and flower designs, the gray silk lifted in panels that are crisply stayed with white lace facing, and petticoats of lace shirring, with apparent inadvertence below the tucked up skirts.

FRECKLES

Don't Hide Them With a Veil; Remove Them With the Othine Prescription.
This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful in removing freckles and giving a clear, beautiful complexion that it is sold by any druggist under guarantee to refund the money if it fails. Don't hide your freckles under a veil; get an ounce of Othine and remove them. Even the first few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the lighter freckles vanishing entirely. Be sure to ask the Druggist for the double-strength Othine; it is this that is sold on the money-back guarantee.

NOVELTIES IN BATHING COSTUMES ARE OFFERED

Style of Materials Changed, so That Only Those Formerly Popular Are Taboo—Diving Caps Take on Gay Appearance and Linen Boots Au Fait.

DARK blue flannel and golden brown brilliantine seem to be the only materials which are not included in the list of bathing costume fabrics. They were once considered the only practical selection, but nowadays almost everything else but them is employed.

cover the waist front. This is cleverly combined with white fiber silk. A stunning bathing suit wrap is also made of this same material and white khaki kool, a new sporting material which has been brought out this Spring and which is a semi-silken fiber on the Eastern order, somewhat similar to shantung.

Tyros Have Costumes.
For the timid sisters who cling to the rope are creations of the Victorian type, which, with an inch or two added to the skirt length, might serve for promenade costumes. Here the fiber and jersey materials give place to taffetas, silks, satins and sport materials of a crash-like nature, while cape collars, corded skirts, slashod skirts and long