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Margaret Mason's Fashion Letter

BY MARGARET MASON
 (Written for the United Press)

New York, Feb. 23.—It is indeed fitting in this period of excessively costly living that there should be no waste but not quite so fitting that there should be no waist. In truth you could hardly call it fitting at all the way the new frocks and suits hang straight and severe of line with no hint or dent of a curve or gentle intake.

We have had hips, my dear, and hoops, my dear, but now nothing but straight long lines will do. It's certainly going to be lumpy going for pudgy persons.

With their clinging ways coat dresses and chemise frocks tried awfully hard to get around us all this winter but while the many fell for their straight lines straight away a few of us still held out for and on to our semblance of a waist line. However this spring and summer we must all capitulate and kiss our waists goodbye. That is of course if we are equal to such an acrobatically agile stunt.

One's breadth of waist or lack of it, This year will safely bide, Concealed beneath the chemise frock.

So straight of line and side, Ah, would that all one's surplus chin Could thus so smartly hide.

Girdles and sash effects are omnipresent on all these straight line garments but you mustn't care to pull them in a bit to break the rigid outline of your silhouette. Indeed it would seem that Dame Fashion were striving to emulate Puck, that saucy spirit of "Midsummer Night's Dream" in his famous boast "I'll put a girdle round about the earth in forty minutes." For she has certainly put a girdle around at least the feminine portion of the earth in less time than that.

Most of the girdles are flat bands of the same material as the suit or gown that simply cling around the spot where one's waist ought to be, without giving away its location by any undue pressure. Some of them are elaborately embroidered on the ends and almost to a girdle are finished with a tassel or two.

There's a mad taste for tassels too and they dangle from pockets, collars, cuffs, and most every available spot.

Pockets aren't the favorites they once were and are found on very few of the newest gowns. Possibly because they break the slim contour of the straight line and in order to accentuate that same straight line the skirts are all forgetting their shortcomings of the last few seasons and decorously slinking anklewards.

Henceforth you may be short of breath, short of cash and short of stature but never short of skirt—that is, not much above the ankles. And since our conversation has reached the ankle level it is not altogether footless to remark on the new spring foot gear. At last after chic Parisians, smart Londoners and Frenchy Argentine beauties have worn the short vamp, snubbed, high heeled Paris shoes and slippers for two whole seasons they are not at our lagging feet. Whether we will kick up much fuss about being shod in these long-as-they-are-broad effects is yet to be seen. Truly after the long, long vamps of the long, long winter our pedal extremities are to be driven to extremes it seems. Tootsies really look much tinier in these new French foot fashions if you don't mind looking a bit as if you had club feet. Up-to-date I haven't glimpsed any on a real American foot but there are lots on hand in the smartest Fifth avenue shops.

Buttoned, laced, strapped and in all colors of suede kid, silk, satin and patent leather they are like the shoes of another season save for the abrupt difference of absolutely round stub toes where heretofore our vamps were as long and pointed as a wifely curtain lecture.

Since fashion has put her foot down in short vamps on long vamps, however, it looks as if there would be nothing for us to do but toe the mark in these round toed boots. Verily the footprints on the sands of summer time are bound to look a bit blunt to say the least.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Collection of News Paragraphs and Advertisements.

Epworth League social tonight.

Mr. Carp of Medical Springs is transacting business at the land office today.

Mrs. T. L. Fisher has secured a designer, Miss McCellan of Norfolk, Va.

The Lucky Thirteen club met yesterday at the residence of Mrs. C. H. Finn. Mrs. William Ash won the honors. The home was beautifully decorated in Washington birthday colors. A delicious luncheon was served.

J. M. Coy, traveling passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, with headquarters in Spokane, is in La Grande today. Mr. Coy reports business good in his territory and that travel is heavy for this time of year.

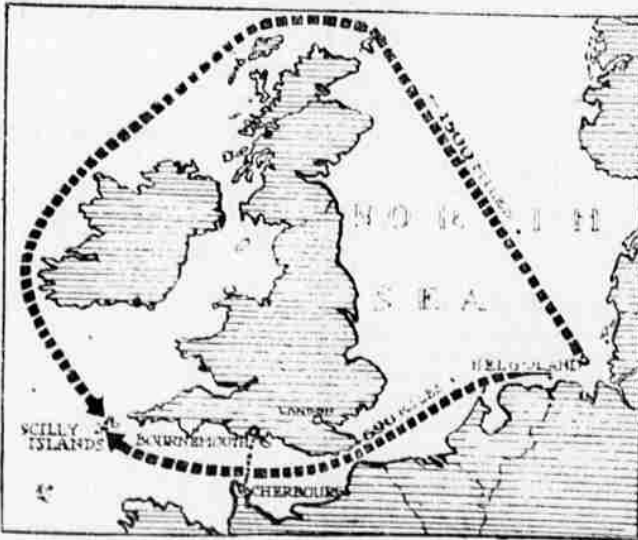
With \$18,000 in the treasury the city commission has authorized City

Treasurer Collier to buy up La Grande city, optional, warrants numbers 185 to 212, held by the First National bank of Cleveland, Ohio.

The public library has just received from the Pan-American union a number of pamphlets on the various countries of South America. These are illustrated summaries of the government, industries, trade and public activities of the South American republics. All were published within the past year, and contain the most up-to-date and authentic information in concise form.

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BRITAIN MAY CLOSE AND MINE STRAITS TO CUT THE U-BOATS FROM THEIR BASE



British Isles, showing route from Helgoland to Scilly Islands, where submarines are operating, and route U-boats would have to take if England closed the straits and channel; also shallow stretch from Bournemouth to Cherbourg where laying of mines would not be difficult.

There are strong intimations that great Britain will meet the new German U-boat campaign by closing the Straits of Dover through the planting of mines.

This would compel the U-boats, which are now operating from their base at Helgoland to run all the way up around Scotland, a distance of 1500 miles, to reach the Scilly Islands, the scene of their operations. Some of the newer and larger boats could make this journey, but most of them could not, and 80 per cent of the U-boat force would thus be eliminated.

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HALF MINUTE INTERVIEWS

C. C. Gill of Denver—"The air is nice and mild this morning. Last night it was snowing to beat the band."

Rev. G. L. Clark—"Isn't this a bright morning?"

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

H. R. Frizzle of Summerville was in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles M. Woodell of Summerville, were in La Grande yesterday on business.

In error The Observer last week published an item that J. L. Feik had purchased a Chevrolet from John E. Anderson. The car sold was a Maxwell.

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