

FROCK OF TAN IS PRACTICAL FOR SUMMER WEAR EITHER IN TOWN OR IN THE COUNTRY

Dress May Be Worn Even for Traveling if Under Long Summer Wrap—Hand-Embroidered Sash Trimmed With Silk Is Used—Pressing Can Bestow Style on Summer Attire.



What Would This Frock Be Without Tucks.

Practical Summer Frock for Town or Country



Hand Embroidery Makes Coat Frocks Distinctive

BECAUSE of its tailored lines and its color—light tan—this model is suitable for wear in town, or even for traveling, under a long summer wrap. The material is tan pongee and the sash is hand embroidered and trimmed with long silk fringe that echoes the color of the embroidery. In this instance shades of geranium red. Such a frock could be made at home, for the lines are so simple; and a clever needlewoman could reproduce this simple embroidered design very creditably.

Pale gray crepe de chine is embroidered here with a bold yet simple design in dull blue, and buttons of blue composition add their trimming note. Smart boots of the correct buttoned type are trimmed with blue leather at the heel—a new idea in footwear. Not only silk in the embroidery but also silk in the seams should be looked for in a frock of distinction like this one. It never pays to invest in a costume cheaply put together—when one pays the price that embroidery like this sets upon a ready-made model.

The amount of style that pressing can bestow is demonstrated in this summer frock of white cotton voile, which, without the innumerable tucks in bodice and skirt, would be quite an ordinary affair. The tucks are pressed, not stitched, into the material, and they add enormous distinction and character to the costume. The blue bird hosiery adds a piquant note to the white toilette.

AUCTION BRIDGE

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As readers are by this time familiar with the valuations necessary to a sound original bid, to a rebid and the assist, in accordance with the system devised by Whitehead, and now in general use in the Knickerbocker Club, New York, I submit today two or three hands illustrative of the system.

As their careful perusal will undoubtedly convince one, players using the system will seldom, if ever, overbid their hands, and so one of the greatest evils known to the game, the wildest system of bidding, in use among a certain class of players, will be eliminated. Heavy penalty scores,

which, as a rule, are not so much the result of superior skill on the part of those who profit by them as of lack of skill on the part of those making them possible, will decrease in inverse ratio to the increase in trick scores, and the game throughout will be on a saner and more rational basis.

First hand.

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Z, the dealer, who holds five hearts and valuations to the amount of eight, six for the ace-jack-10 combination in hearts and two for club king, just the number sufficient for a bid, bids "one heart." A overcalls with "one spade," he holds five spades, and valuations amounting to eight, all in the suit he bids. Y's valuations reach nine, just the number necessary for an assist, so he calls "two hearts." He counts one for his three small trumps (hearts), six for the ace-jack-10 club combination and two for guarded king of diamonds. B's hand counts up to 11, four for king, queen of hearts, one for club queen, four for diamond ace and two for queen of spades, which in the event that the hand is played at spades, would doubtless be good for a trick. However, as he holds two spades only (trumps), he deducts two from these valuations and is left with nine. This being the number justifying an assist, he calls "two spades." This closes the bidding. Z-Y realizing they have bid their hands to the limit and that to go further would be to invite disaster. They would have made good at "two hearts," but would have lost at "three." A-B also are good for a two-trick contract only, and in the event that they had been overbid would have been most unwise had they ventured "three."

Another Example.

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Z is the dealer. He holds five hearts and values to the sum of nine, eight for ace, king of hearts and one for guarded queen of diamonds. He therefore bids "one heart." A, who has values to the sum of seven only (four for club ace and three for the king-jack-10 combination in diamonds), passes. As Z thus far holds the bid, Y also passes. B, however, bids "one spade," he holds five spades and values to the sum of 14, eight in the trump suit (spades), four in diamonds and two in clubs. As will be noted, he counts nothing for the ability to ruff second round of hearts, as, has been repeatedly explained, a ruff in the declaring hand, save where one holds an unusual number of trumps or a cross ruff may be established, proves more often than not a disadvantage rather than an advantage.

Z, not having the values necessary to a rebid, passes. A also, Y, however, who holds values to the sum of nine, three for his four trumps to a queen honor, two for the queen-jack sequence in diamonds, and one for the ability to ruff the second round of diamonds and two for spade king, comes to his partner's assistance and calls "two hearts." B, with 14 values, two more than are necessary for a rebid, goes to "two spades." This closes the bidding. B playing the hand and making five by cards, in case, that is, he gives A a ruff on third round of clubs, as undoubtedly he should do. At tables where this was not done, one trick was lost, the score being four, rather than five.

Had Z-Y unwisely gone to "three hearts," they would have lost, a two-trick contract being their limit. Had they done so, however, A, whose values, in the event spades are trumps, would reach nine, two more than are necessary to the assist of a hand which has once been rebid, would have called "three spades." As a matter of fact, A's own hand would have justified the raise if necessary to "four spades." His three small trumps (spades) count one, club ace four, the ability to trump third round of clubs one, and king, jack, 10 in diamonds insure 11 tricks, or five by cards. Z-Y's combined values, on the other hand, amount to but 17, in all eight tricks, or two by cards, in reality just the amount they could make.

System Regarded Good.

As can but be conceded, a system which enables one to gauge the trick-taking capacity of hands as nearly and as accurately as does the Whitehead system and so works consistently to the best interests of all the players engaged, must be a meritorious system and one worth the close attention of all earnest players.

Still another example:

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According to the Whitehead system, Z should bid "one diamond," as he holds five diamonds and eight values in the suit. Not being familiar, however, with the system, he passes, as, though he holds good strength, the suit he would bid, he lacks the quick outside trick, and is forced to king, set down by the majority of text-books as necessary to the first or original bid. A, who is most anxious to secure the bid because of his 73 honors, somewhat inadvisably calls "two spades." Y holds 18 values, distributed among the four suits, undoubtedly a no-trumper, especially as he holds ace twice guarded of the suit declared by the adversary. As almost all players would do, he goes to "two trumps," though he realizes it is something of a venture, as he cannot tell that his partner is good down even one trick. B, assuming that his partner is unusually strong, and with three small trumps, the ability to stop two suits and to ruff a third, supports his partner by calling "two spades." Z, who cannot possibly call "four diamonds," again passes. A also, Y finds himself in a greater dilemma than ever. Whether to continue his bid, in ignorance as to what extent, if at all, his partner can assist, or to pass in the hope of securing penalties, is more or less problematical. As it happens, it is the rubber game, and both sides feel it important to play the hand. Y therefore makes another venture and goes to "three no trumps," and when his partner's hand comes down finds he has no difficulty in making five by cards. Had Z shown his strength in the first ruff, as high as five had this been necessary, either at no trumps or diamonds, had he seen fit to shift, he would have made this number at either declaration. A-B are good

COAT DRESS OF SILK, NOVELTY OF SEASON, IS COOL AS WELL AS FAVORITE FOR MID-SUMMER

Skirt Is Plain and of Medium Width, but Tunic and Belt Have Buttons and Loops Down Side While Little Vest Is Trimmed With Smaller Buttons.



Coat Dress of Silk Is Cool and Summery.

THIS is a favorite model for mid-summer wear—and is quite the novelty of the season. White tulle is the material, with blue tussah used in collar and revers and in the deep cuffs that edge the loose coat sleeves. All the interest is centered in the coat-tunic, the skirt being very plain and of medium width. Tunic and belt have buttons and loops down the side and the little vest is trimmed with smaller buttons.

Formal enough for any summer afternoon occasion, yet cool and fresh in suggestion is the frock of white net, when the net is handsomely embroidered, as in this instance, the frock is ideally lovely. The fitted yoke below a tucked belt of the net, defines the silhouette; over this fitted belt, and yoke are drawn pintucked strips of the net which merge into the skirt drapery below the yoke.

Cool as a breeze, blue as July cornflowers, and dainty enough for a dainty summer maid, is this little veranda frock of printed voile, the light and dark blue dots scattered over a background of faint blue scrollwork on a white ground. The buttons are of dark blue velvet and a tiny blue velvet ribbon makes the neckbow. Frills of white plisse net add a simple but pretty trimming.

for a four-trick contract at spades if the hands are correctly played. At a higher bid they would be set.

At a meeting of the former Kate Wheelock White Club, of this city, which was called for Thursday, June 21, at the residence of Mrs. Charles E. Sitton, the motion was made and enthusiastically and unanimously carried that the money now remaining in the bank to the credit of the club be turned over to the Red Cross. This sum, which amounts to \$114.48, will be drawn and turned over as designated on July 1 by Mrs. Sitton, the first president of the club.

What disposition to make of this money has from the first been uncertain, though it had been the wish of all that it be made to serve some needed and effective purpose. At one time it was suggested that it be given to the Belgian fund, but owing to the unsettled conditions and the belief held by many that it might soon serve a needed use nearer at home, no action was taken in the matter.



Embroidery Net Makes Ideal Summer Dress

United States Government regulations. In its center is the American eagle and around its edge is a circle of stars. The button comes in various sizes; big ones for military capes, smaller ones for tailored suits, still smaller ones for frocks, and tiny ones for shoes. High-heeled boots with these little brass eagle buttons look exceedingly smart with a trim tailleur of military type.

Did Her Best.

Puck.

Teacher—"Do you know the population of New York?"

Mamie Backrow—"Not all of them, ma'am, but then, we've only lived here two years."—Puck.

Speedy.

Christian Register.

Inquirer (at South Station)—"Where does this train go?"

Brakeman—"This train goes to New York in ten minutes."

Inquirer—"Goodness! That's going some!"