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Return of the Small Waist Is Threatened This Spring--Fashion Decrees Mannish Suspenders for Women That Are Attached to the Skirt

have found so beguiling.

women thought it was a ca-

the fashion was to be incorporated The usual bright coloring in the lem in itself. into the spring styles. Every woman complexion of the average American You may the dull season. But it seems as though when the wearer is a woman.

of the shirt material. They are sub- tion of the military khaki and there- ible appearance at the normal waistjected to the fanciful cutting that or- fore sentimentally exploited. namented them in other days when the designers thought it was attractive to run a separate band across the back the spring suits in heavily ribbed corbetween the shoulders and two bre- duroy is the pointed fronts which the telles over each shoulder to join with American tailors exploited early in waistline was her hope to be fashion a fancy buckle above the bust.

the winter and put into their first The creed of simplicity that will lightweight coats. Added to these was dominate the fashions this season ex- the slightly highwaisted belt of the tends to the accessories of dress as soldier doing field duty, and later, the well as to its foundation stones. The cartridge belt in cloth was added. bretelles are mannish in shape and The latter, as you probably know. are attached to the rather high-walsted is a strip of material in the width and to the rolling low one, and in Paris skirt with large bone buttons run outline of an ordinary belt with round they are wearing a collar that is high through exaggeratedly large button- pleats standing away from the sur- at the back and cut away in front. ace in an unbroken line; into each of holes

pends upon one's inclination. And if one does not wish them to be made of when the American woman wears it. dire promise of an increased double the dress material there is a chance It is a rather attractive idea when it to play up a color scheme by using a bright tone of silk or even velvet. these pleats extending across the chest

The athletic woman, or rather the plicity of a man's attire for the open air is apt to choose suspenders made of the fabric of which the skirt and coat is cut, the woman who invariably forms to the gew gaws of dress, who minuot or will not wear plain effects, will choose the ornamental kind

Worn Under Sport Coats.

should have very few coats, indeed, The demand for that species of out door garments that we have learned to call sport clothes, has brought of these suspenders on top coats, as parts of sweaters, as brilliant adjuncts b white linen skirts worn with white WRED WIDELS.

At the last races held in Paris the smart women were wearing the loosest kind of conts, almost like capes, thrown well away from the front of the gown and held on by means of two ientalizing of the waist. In the imstraps that crossed in front and dis- mellate future, and no prophet can appeared in the back. This fushion probably was responsible for the breelles we have with us now. There is little doubt that women will accept then with pleasure, for they provide nurked out a strongly dividing line a good way of going williout a jacker to separate the lower and the upper parts of the figure. and yet retaining some link between the skirt and blouse.

It has been neglected, along with The line however the two is not so many other more serious mental and strongly marked when the skirt (abrimoral dividing lines, and the world has goes over the shoulders, and through- a way of swinging back like a pendu out the entire gamma of the spring hum to some self-imposed r

By Anne Rittenhouse. right, 1915, by the McClure Newspaper Service.)
needs constant cleaning, or, it may be a belt of three-inch black velvet rib-that these neutral colors, because of their fashion and their serviceability days when small related return to the that these heatral colors, because of both which is a decided return to the days when small waists were in fash-fered cloth suits that had suspenders attached to the skirts, the argument that it was farely be-the argument that it was farely be-frocks and short jackcoming, and yet one can argue along frocks; the individualist may try it price of the moment, probably that line concerning the various neu- out, but the average dressmaker is invented as a thing to tide over the tral tones that all the manufacturers content to work out the return to the

normal waist, which is no slight prob-You may think that the problem of cannot wear it. The fashion demands woman helps her to sartorially digest the women who must get a small a certain figure and the semblance of many shades of dull tones that the waist is the more difficult one, as youth, if not youth itself. The rounded pale woman cannot wear. Whatever flesh has a way of remaining where it back and the sloping shoulders are not the pros and cons of it, however, the has gained a strong hold, but, after the type that goes suitably with sus- main fact is that we are to wear more all, the corsetiere faces the worst of penders, or bretelles, as we call them sand tones than ever before. They the work. Unless she knows how to when the wearer is a woman have ousted the much heralded covert skillfully handle the shaping of a cor-The present ones are usually made cloth which was such a close imita- set and can contrive to give it a flex-

line, the work of the dressmaker is in vain and the task of the woman who Corduroy Suits Like Uniforms. wants a small waist is almost impos-The dominating feature of many of sible. Again has a body blow been dealt the woman who is stout. The large

> able, and if it is taken away, what will she do to be rightly dressed? Low Collars Tolersted.

> There is little insistence upon the fashion for the high collar. Some of the best dressed women are returning

There is no return to the shape that They may cross in the back or run these openings goes a cartridge when shows the entire back of the neck, but straight down the figure. That de- the soldier has the belt, but the line is evidently women have thrust aside the for ornamentation pure and simple enveloping band under the chin. That chin worked wonders in gaining a reis not overdone. An entire line of fusal for an uncomfortable fashion. New blouses have height at the back is not altogether satisfactory, but a of the neck always, but they roll down one who affects the straight out sim- few such pleats placed directly across to the bust in the accepted way of last the bast on either side of the front summer. The straight surplice is also fastening, is quite fetching on a slim accepted with its outline of white silk net or fine muslin.

There is little disposition on th part of any of the new collars to lift at the side. They press flatly to the sides of the blouse, or are placed beneath the fabric, showing as a softening piping.

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that did not boast this accessory. ADVENT OF PEACE The Normal Waist. There is no continuation of the

Moven-age d p in the belts of spring. and not even a suggestion that the wide girdle placed between htps and

It can be used in this fashion on a short jacket that has no helt, but the

complete cartridge belt must go only

with a coat that carries a belt at the

waistline, and it looks as though we

Our ears are deafened by the dull thunsuces will be welcomed. Whenever der of the guns. Our eves are blinded by the weapons' sizz and flamethere is a belt, it outlines the normawaist, or rules above it, but we have done for a time, at least, with the or-Flash-streaks from bursting shells en-veloped in black smoke; Our thoughts take flight, they our thoughts take flight, they go further than the adjective "immedi ite," we are going to cultivate the he about our bodies where for several decades before this one we

What then of broken hearts, all lying And devil's warfare bursting hellish walls through earth? Ave, seizing God's blue firmament for butthe-control

battle-charge, * While sanctuaries divine and human are made ruined dearth Through wanton cannonade and



ation shown straints to observe this method. the most absorbing studies in the his-

figure.

The new white serve suits for the tory of fashion, for it is undoubtedly south have bretelles of light blue taf- allied to moral movements. feta, and the short lacket is touched Restraint is to be the Leynote, the up with celler and cuffs to match. The watchword, of this new decade into sailor hat that is sold for such suits which we entered last August and the is of white straw and satin with a blue war was the lever that pushed the band about the crown.

Corduroy in Pavor.

more white serge suits; these were to go on reflecting an age of license looked for as seen as the southern e_{X-} when an age of restraint has set in, odus began, but corduroy in several Every fecture of our modern life must shades of tan, such as sand, twine, necessarily come under the influence utty, clay, and beige were lavishly of the spirit that prevails already over offered.

spite their neutrality of tone, they of licentious expenditures. Gone is proved acceptable. Women found the decade of contemptuous carelessthem an admirable choice for betw en ness. We are a wiser, sadder, saner, the seasons, and, if brightening was but a much better people. uceded, it would be supplied by a hat. Women may have turned their minds to commy in this year of drasthe readjustment and looked, therefore, have laid hold of tremendous truths



This coat, which is worn in "The not be worn with the frock, or skirt Show Shop," is made of gold and separate blouse that shows a and black brocade from one bust and the hips, Cheruit designed for herself.

moral force in a new direction, or rather reversed it back 50 years. It is It is surprising that there are not not possible for the clothes of women

this planet. Gone are the days of un These immediately found favor, be- bridled opulence. Gone is the epoch

inspiring words. Let them these closed heart-path-

Mutiny Reported at Ghent.

Paris, Feb. 27 .- A report is current have swept away and those we have here, but not confirmed, that a mutiny established has entered our souls, and] occurred at Ghent early this month in we have set our feet in soberer paths. which about 5000 men, including 30 of-We hitched our wagon to the stars and have traveled far, and we now face a ficers, were involved. According to this report, the mutineers were bound new epoch in calmer air.

satin.

rection of the normal waistline, you ask? Much. It is a straw in the new Namur. surrent of our lives, and straws have

ver been signs. Will Waist Decrease in Size?

The absorbing, practical question of he moment, far away from any historic connection between clothes and moral development, is whether the small waist is to be expected. No one eems to be able to answer this, question with anything like assurance Speculation is rife, and the experts think that by June we will be pulling in the corset strings, and the moralist will at once ask how that condition an he looked upon with approval as savoring of improvement. It is unhealthy, ungraceful, and belongs to a phase of dress that represented the icme of artificiality.

Possibly it is too much to expect of women and fashions that they hold to mprovement all along the line; it is not human to be evenly good. Original sin must break through somewhere, and it seems impossible to depart from the license of Orientalism into the prudery of Victorianism without adding error to reform. The pendulum has a way of swinging too far back. For several months the corsetieres have been pinching the corsets at the ides of the walstline with a foresight born of an intimate knowledge of the drift of fashlons. Then they added an inch or so to the bushline and began to support the back muscles by inserts of elastics, necessary to old in the accumulated flesh from the wearing of low corsets, Now they are undoubtedly pinching

n the fronts of the corsets and the inderarm pieces are becoming more rigid. What does this signify? Are they forerunners of a small waist, or compromise in order that they may fit the new fashion, if it comes upon us quickly?

Straight Girdle Fancied.

The sketches that have been sent over from Paris as forerunners of the spring and summer styles show a marked tendency to straight girdles passed around the figure directly at the line where the old waist used to be before we allowed the natural largeness of the figure to have its fullest development there. These belts could

small decrease of size between the White or light muslin frocks have

Dead bodies lie in heaps, their souls flown up to Heaven. While loved ones weep and mourn in living double living death-Their home-stay gone, while they must d weer Thank God there are many here with Christ-like breath

Who Angel-aid have given. How long, O Lord, how long must this weird misery last______ This fiendish, fearful holocaust by setvants pray that Thou Thy legions forth will send

And save our thousands ere they're Thy Angel-legions of the past!

On the mountain-slopes let Thy An-

gels glide Down from Thy thrones snow-crowned past crevasse and rock, Bringing the air of Heaven and God-

ways, these selft-fastnesses un

And usher in the Blessed Peace!

NEW TEA GOWN

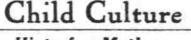
Have you noticed the skirts with little pockets on the belts? They are very attractive. Leather belts with work. little pockets attached have appeared in the shops, and these, too, are inter-esting. But the fashion books now show patterns for skirt with attached cloth belts, and hanging from the belts the flap of the pockets overlapping the belt, and two pockets, stitched to the blouse; it is especially pretty. They are made envelope-wise, and the flaps button down. They are

decidedly suitable for sport skirts.

Scalloped hems are much in vogue They are especially desirable with a full, circular hem, for every one who remembers circular skirts when they were in fashion before knows that it is difficult to make a wide, circular skirt hang even and straight at the hem. The pattern for a scalloped, circular skirt can now be purchased.

You can buy a pattern now for the new long sleeve. It comes with several patterns in one-for a mousquetaire, bishop and several other varities in several lengths.

A pattern can be had for a tea nap- gathered skirt portion.



Hints for Mothers.

babies a great deal. This does not after one is grown. mean because they love them they should let their children go untrained him the pleasure of doing the same altogether, or even until they outgrow thing for you, for his nurse, or for babyhood. As a physician told a any guest who happens to drop some-thing. The child will look upon this mother when she asked him what was as a privilege instead of a burden. the right age to begin to train her infant. your infant was born."

To be sure, an infant is a tiny bundle of instincts, but unless you are a child is a nuisance. Therefore teach great student of child nature you have your infant that he can laugh and no idea how rapidly these instincts, prattle to his heart's content in the aided by the nerves and brain impres- nursery and when the family is alone tions, become good or bad habits. These habits are more readily formed dividuality through his work and play than broken.

the work must be done in infancy. stances without consid Some parents boast because their chfl- forts of those around, Tea gown of yellow chiffon and silver lace with girdle of purple dnen have the same weaknesses they

enjoy. Is it not bad enough that the satisfied because they are overstim-1

On the left is a frock of white linen lawn with sleeveless jacket of embroidered green linen and a wide band of the same finishing the skirt. The gown in the center is of white voile with collar and jacket embroidered in blue and a blue girdle. The gown on the right is of white batiste with lace jacket, short in front. Through the jacket and in front shows a black velvet girdle.

children to walk too soon.

Passport for Each Is Rule.

shovel.

NEWEST TREND IN STYLES ulated by thought and attention. Children follow their primal instincts, especially where physical activity is FROM THE MARCH BOOKS concerned. Do not be too anxious

Each month the fashion books con- kin to be embroidered in satin and eye-What has this to do with the resur-two and two and sent in the direction tain surprises, and here are some from let stitch, and with this pattern-six of Brussels, Malines, Antwerp and the March books: transfers come for 15 cents-anybody

One of the pretty patterns shows olero jacket, a detail of fashion that has been a feature of some of the new Washington, Feb. 27 .- German mil-French models. It is sleeveless, and tary authorities now require that each made of silk, to wear over a lace

minor child cannot enter upon a pass- opened a factory where the unem-There are new designs for embroidport held by husband or parent. This ering nightgowns and corset covers or government has been so advised. combinations. A nightgown with

high empire waistline, embroidered i NEW TOP COAT satin and eyelet stitch, would make a charming gift for a spring bride.

Have you one of those charming round, flat cushions for your boudoir If you haven't, why not make one? A pattern for embroidering one of these ushions is sold in an effective design of cherries.

Patch pockets are much in fashion. A young girl's coat of especially good design is shown in one pattern with patch pockets on both sides of the full

parents cannot eradicate their own weaknesses without boasting of those to learn, if taught when young, but

If you want your child to be a pleas respect those of others. A happy child is better than sunshine, but a noisy It is far better to teach a child inthan to allow him to amuse himself

Top coat of brown satin with black Most children are irritable and dis-"elvet collar and cuffs.

WHAT WOMEN ARE DOING IN HOME and FOREIGN FIELDS

Paris-Running a city "without men" | teach the co-eds the art of swimming. The opining conference of American if he does not walk at a certain age, is the novel experience of Paris today. women working for peace in Europe, If your child is a normal child he will The women are managing the railways, kins, quite rivaling the real madeira walk when the right time comes. Much injury is done to the feet, ankles and hotels; move baggage, civilized nations will be held here July the nervous system by encouraging serve as conductors, chauffeurs and can 4. It is hoped to make Independence drivers; and even clean streets, do car- day more notable by the steps for peace to be taken at that time. penter work and handle the pick and

St. Louis, Mo .-- A fashion show for the women of the south, west and Louthwest will open her on March 15. London-Mrs. J. C. Jenkins, an Amerperson entering Germany be provided ican woman from Minneapolis, aided by Although her father opposed, Miss with an individual passport. A wife or a coterie of American women here, has Marjorie Peper Bell, known as the "million-dollar princess," will wed next June. She is only 17. She will be the ployed are given work. It is a knitting

bride of Richard Hinrichs, of St. Louis. mill, and gloves and socks are being Springfield, Ill .-- One of the most sensational statements in regard to Louisville, Ky .-- Mrs. W. B. Dixon, known to every child in Louisville as eugenics is that which accompanies the the "story lady," has talked to over bill for the adoption of a eugenics law in Illinois. Records of examinations at 6000 school children in and near Louisville. Kindness to animals is her the Coulter Settlement, in Chicago, theme, and her work is being supple-mented in other parts of the state by the Women's Auxiliary of the Kentucky would cause marriage licenses to be withheld. The Wisconsin law is caus-Humane society Boston-One of the most interesting Boston-One of the most interesting Oregon law is being dodged by resito America in the interests of the suf- dents who go to neighboring states to ferers in the war zone is Countess Du- wed. The Indiana senate recently inas. Althought she is American born, passed a eugenics bill, and other states

she has lived since childhood in Paris. are tackling the problem, Wellington, New Zealand-An elec-Her husband is the great-great-grandson of Count Dumas, who was a friend tion joke was recently perpetrated on of Lafayatte and the aide of Count Ro- the politicians by the brown-skinned hambeau in the Revolutionary War. Maori women, who put up their own candidate and elected him over seven She is pleading the cause of war sufcandidates of the regular boliticians ferers in France. Atlantic City, N. J .- That 100,000 The women frankly admit that it was

Atlantic City, N. J.-That 100,000 because their favorite was young and handsemy that they thrust greatness States through a nation-wide campaign of upon him. of education of mothers, was the important reports submitted to that National Mothers' congress.

turned out for the soldiers.

friend of America during revolutionary New York - Arrangements are already being made for the biennial con- days, will be unveiled here next October. It is the gift of American wome ventions of the Federation of Women's clubs, to be held here in May, 1916. living in England, The 1915 council will be held at Portland, Or., in June. New York-Mrs. Archibald Alexan- that of Mrs. E. W. Shurtleff, formerly

der, of Hoboken, friend and associate of Minneapolis. She is devoting her-of Miss Anne Morgan in her civic up- self to caring for the blind who have of Miss Anne Morgan in her civic up-lift work, is to marry again. The bridegroom will be H. Otto Wittpenn, now a naval officer, and formerly mayor of Jersey City. mayor of Jersey City. The romance is said to be a direct her work.

result of association in welfare work. San Francisco, Cal.-Miss Greta Johanson, 1s years old, who won the hanson, is veers old, who will the world's championship for grace in high diving at the Olympic games in 1912, has been appointed a member of the partment of physical education in Surface California. She will males from pneumonia.

Wants His Actresses Dressed. Boston, Feb, 27 .- Mayor Curley say

Washington-A statue of William

Pitt, the great English statesman and

Minneapolis, Minn .-- One of the m

touching appeals from the war zone i

same faults in their offspring? This is especially true of manners. Good manners are the easiest thing in the world Most mothers, and rightly, love their faultless manners cannot be cultivated

After you have taught your baby to pick up the things he drops, give

"Right now, madam, but you ure to you, and to others, teach him should have begun this work before that he has certain rights, but he must

If the bad habits are to be destroyed at all times, and under all circumstances without considering the com-

about your baby's walking and talking. Many a baby cultivates an ugly disposition and is even injured for life because some devoted mother thinks her baby will be considered backward