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The Rage for white Dresses Continues, Which Creates Demand for Many Novelties in Lingerie and There are Numerous Designs.

New York, April 12.—The summer girl is out in the shops in all her glory and a veritable fairy she is with her clinging gowns of linen and silk embellished with fluttering rills of lace.

Undoubtedly the summer of nineteen and two will be a white season. From the dainty designer which affords the comfort of the boudoir to the exquisite gown which graces the evening reception white will be the predominant color scheme, depending upon the many thin materials of the year for its variety and upon laces, ribbons and scrapings of silk for its trimmings.

Necessarily the rage for white dresses demand many novelties in lingerie and in order to supply this demand a number of new designs have been placed upon the market. Some are imported, others are of home production, all are equally pretty and admirably fulfill the purpose for which they are intended.

A dainty bit of lingerie which is not entirely new, but which it has remained for the present season to bring into especial favor is the short skirt or japon hani as its French designers call it, combined with a corset cover of heavier material and so toned that it can be worn by women who disdain corsets.

Another undergarment with a noble purpose is the taffeta petticoat made of white silk. It is built upon the lines of a dress and finished around the hips with slits, slits, or gathers as desired and trimmed so beautifully that it may be used as both an underskirt and dress lining. Upon a design that is particularly effective are three graduated ruffles of white, worn at the waist, and trimmed with rills of narrow white lace which may be unbuttoned from the skirt and discarded whenever it becomes necessary to do so. Such a skirt worn under a frock of white silk will cover the awkwardness of an elaborately trimmed petticoat, which is quite necessary and obviates the need of an extra lining, also an important item, since slenderness is so essential to a fashionable appearance this summer.

A frock that is notable principally for its elegant simplicity is developed in sheerest white mull. The skirt is cut in seven gores and shirred about the hips in so many rows of shirring. Around the foot a finish is effected by a trimming of seven narrow bands of white satin put straight around the goods, the top one being formed into a good sized lover's knot at the center of the front.

The bodice is shirred at the waist and neck at the back. At the front a bolero effect in lace embedded in ruchings or shirings of the mull is formed and opens over a vest of platted mull, trimmed with myriad rows of the finest bands of lace.

The sleeves reach only to the elbow, where they are completed with a frill of lace under which is a double frill of accordion pleated chiffon.

A touch of color seen in some of the white dresses designed for summer wear is obtained through one of the new French laces. This lace is in white linen thread, with a darning pattern in different colored threads, and a scalloped border in pale color, which is most effective on white linen or grass lawn frocks.

Some of the prettiest gowns now on view at the fashionable shops of Gotham are of silk and white linen. The skirt of one bears a waved insertion of the lace just described, darning in blue, above a ruffled apron with medallions of lace here and there, the pouched bodice being treated in the same mode. The collar is of the worked lawn edged with the darning lace. Empire patterns in lace are taking the lead and very dainty some of them are, such as half-oval wreathes of laurel leaves, having an inner festoon of flowers tied with ribbon bows.

The woman who is fortunate enough to be able to do her own sewing has an advantage this year in one way, despite the expensive trend of the modes. Many of the prettiest frocks come all embroidered, trimmed and cut out so that all that is necessary is to put them together and at the figure.

As a rule the prices of trimming require a woman to buy a yard or so of lace and trim her dress at home except by some one who has had experience in the matter, and it is better to make the purchase and purchase one already decorated and economize on something else.

Something very smart for outdoor wear has just come over from France in the form of a simple blouse carried over the shoulders and placed. This wrap hangs in straight folds of plaits,

perfectly loose, back or front, to half-way between the waist and the knees. It is finished off with a lace collar or a shawl with long ends around the top, and has either a double puffed or a floating sleeve. Both of these sleeves are extremely graceful and enjoy equal favor among well-dressed women.

Quite the most mysterious wrap of the season, however, is the Du Barry cache pousiere or dust coat. It is made of pongee or other light silk, and hangs loosely about the figure from collar to hem. At the waist it is belted with a silk cord which are finished at the ends with thick, full tassels.

The sleeves of these Du Barry coats are most perplexing things. They are long and so full that they simulate the appearance of a cape and are gathered around the wrists something after the fashion of Turkish trousers.

The style is original and quite fashionable at the present moment, but it is necessarily doomed to an early death, for the reason that the wrap is not dressy enough to serve the purpose of an all-round coat and so much material is required in the making that few women are willing to indulge in a luxury whose fate is as yet not fully decided.

Fichus of white net, chiffon, mull and very thin silks are used to a great extent, but they are quite short. Those of ribbon dotted in white are either arranged in a loose sailor knot, or else are brought around the neck in a Louis quatorze bow in front. For neatness, nothing can excel the trim little band of embroidery or plain hemstitched linen worn on the collar. The latter style has been with us many seasons, but at present there are no indications of its waning popularity.

Advance summer styles show much that is new in trimmings as well as materials, but the main thing to be remembered is that generous dashes of white are necessary to absolute chic and the more the prettier. From her head to her feet the summer girl of 19 and two will be immaculate in her makeup.

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Prohibitionists throughout the state are confident that they will poll a larger vote this year than in any previous election in the history of the party in Oregon. At the June election, 1906, the party cast 4500 votes, but J. S. Jory, a prominent prohibition worker of Salem says the party will this year double, and probably triple its vote of two years ago.

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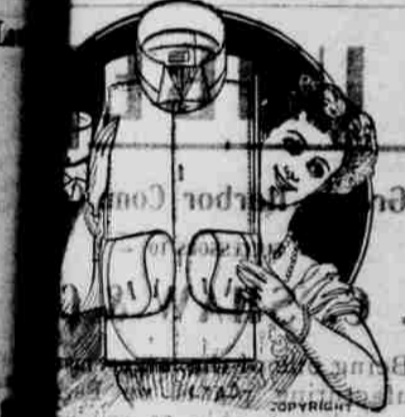


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