

## YOUTHFUL PARTY DRESSES; WEAR COATS FROM PARIS

THERE are so many pretty furbelows and vagaries in youthful party frocks, that the way of the dressmaker is made easy. In fact, in many cases, it is a path of flowers, for almost all these frivolous and dainty dresses make much of flowers, posed on the shoulder, at the corsage, or set in wreaths and rows or scattered blossoms to provide decoration. Besides, there are clusters of ostrich feathers, bands of brilliants, metallic laces, hand painting and girdles.

The frocks themselves, before these finishing touches are placed, are made interesting by scalloped, pointed or otherwise irregular hem lines, Godets and panels (finely plaited), shaped flounces and ruffled laces are added

the name of Lanvin, and the other is signed "Migna Jouv." Few little maids ever wear an original Paris-made coat, but this is the least of their troubles—for there is no law against copying the good ideas for which Paris is generously paid by American importers.

For the coat at the left wool velours in red was chosen and a matching red in the small felt hat to be worn with it. The coat-and-hat-to-match idea is an outstanding feature in children's fashions; in fact, an ensemble in one color from top to toe, is the apex of good style. Lanvin has added a scarf as a neck finish and introduced fur sections in the lower sleeves, instead of a cuff. These might be in squirrel,



Pretty Party Frock.

to the resources of the dressmaker so that no party dress need be commonplace.

The pretty model shown in the picture combines georgette and chiffon velvet in any pleasing light color. The dress of georgette has a full skirt set on to a fairly short bodice. The skirt is cut in very wide scallops at the bottom and has a deep border of the velvet. A molded bodice of the velvet, opening at one shoulder, is worn over the dress and finished with two large blossoms, one at the waist line and one on the shoulder. One pretty frock of pink, flat crepe, has a full skirt and plain, sleeveless jumper.

mole, Hudson seal or any short-haired felt that harmonizes with the red used. There are several fashionable shades of this color that will make the wearer of this coat a cheerful spot of color against any landscape. The embroidered braid that borders the scarf and adorns the coat is in red and gold and embroidery in gold borders the hat. Beige velours and astrakhan fur make the handsome cape coat at the right, with matching leggings and felt hat in the same color. The cape is set onto a yoke which is extended into a point at the back. Vivid multi-colored embroidery covers the pockets and is repeated across the



For Little "Miss Fashionable."

A huge rose is fastened at the left shoulder and big rose petals of shaded velvet, appearing to fall from the flower, are tacked down the front of the jumper and skirt. Blue georgette makes another long-waisted frock with finely plaited panels set in about the skirt. These fall below the hem line and are cut in scallops at the bottom. A girdle of darker blue velvet ends in a generous bow.

Here are sketched two coats for little girls, sent out by two great Paris houses for the benefit of fortunate youngsters in the world of fashion. One of them—at the left—bears

corners of the cape. Collar and cuff of astrakhan finish off this brilliant little masterpiece.

For little girls, Paquin has used broadcloth, in coats and ensembles. One of the latter has a frock of white broadcloth, with a plaited skirt set onto a long-waisted bodice. Little disks cut out from blue broadcloth are arranged in a pyramid on the front of the bodice and stitched down with blue silk. With this there is a coat. It is cut with a free flare about the bottom, where pyramids of blue disks are placed along the hemline.

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## LAMB SHOULDER IS OFTEN PASSED BY

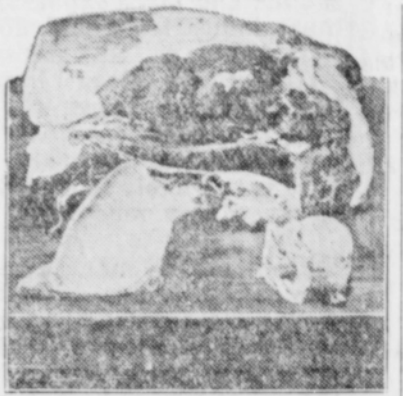
### Housekeeper Does Not Know How to Prepare It.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The shoulder is frequently passed by in favor of the more expensive leg of lamb, because the housekeeper does not know how to prepare it. The shoulder is less heavy than the leg from the same animal, and the meat on it is tender and sweet. It is not so convenient to carve if the shoulder blade is left in it, and so it is customary in many places for the butcher to remove this bone when the meat is sold. The cavity thus formed may be filled with stuffing. The United States Department of Agriculture gives the following directions for preparing a baked stuffed shoulder of lamb:

1 cupful of cracker or bread crumbs  
4 tablespoonfuls butter or other fat  
1/2 cupful boiling water  
1/2 teaspoonful salt  
1/2 teaspoonful pepper or less  
Sage or thyme if liked

Mix the seasonings with the dry crumbs and moisten with the butter and hot water. Fill the cavity and



Shoulder of Lamb Boned for Stuffing.

fasten it with skewers or sew the stuffing in. Place the prepared meat in the roasting pan. Rub drippings over the surface, sprinkle with salt and pepper, dredge with flour and brown quickly in a hot oven. Pour a cupful of hot water over the meat, adjust the cover of the roaster closely, and lower the heat of the oven. Cook slowly two to three hours, according to taste.

### Uses for Cut Bread

Slices of cut bread accumulate in the bread box if it is a family habit to start the new loaf before the old is used up. Why not use a bread board and sharp knife at the table and cut off just what is needed, suggests the United States Department of Agriculture? Pieces of bread left over for any reason have many uses. They can be toasted or oven-dried and eaten like toast, rolled out for the breadcrumb jar; used for escalloped dishes, bread pudding, stuffing, thickening for soups, sauces or gravies, in place of part of the flour in muffins, pancakes or breads, or boiled in hot milk to serve in place of cereal.

## NUTS MIXED WITH DIFFERENT FOODS

### Mixtures May Be Baked in a Loaf or Roll.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Substantial dishes in which nuts are combined with various starchy foods, such as rice, potatoes, or bread crumbs, are satisfactory for luncheon or supper. Sometimes these mixtures are baked in a loaf or roll, sometimes fried as croquettes, or mock sausages, or served in a cream sauce or gravy, on biscuits, or in patty shells. Baked vegetable nut hash may be made with chopped cooked beets or spinach, and rice or macaroni. Nut-cheese loaf or roll may be made with either cheddar-type or cottage cheese.

Peanut butter and tomato soup, and chestnut soup are good. Many nut stuffings for poultry are liked. Chestnut stuffing for goose or chicken is a favorite. Pecan stuffing for turkey has long been used in the South, and walnut-celery stuffing for chicken or rabbit is still another combination.

Desserts of many kinds may have nuts added advantageously. Some of those most frequently made with chopped nuts are the various custard mixtures such as baked custard, floating island, tapioca cream, custard rice pudding, custard nut pie, and the so-called "cream" pies, which are really layer cakes with a "cream" or custard filling. Cottage puddings, fruit mixtures, and steamed puddings of many flavors are better for having a few added nuts, and of course a rich Christmas or plum pudding has a good proportion of nuts. Hot pudding sauces of many kinds are improved by the addition of nuts. Pecans and raisins, for example, are a good combination.

Fruit cup and fruit gelatins may include nuts. Bavarian cream is especially good when chopped roasted almonds are mixed through it, says the United States Department of Agriculture. All the combinations of ice-cream with sweet sirups or sauces and chopped nuts commonly called sundae can be easily made at home. Nuts may also be put directly into the ice cream mixture, as in the case of so-called burnt-almond ice cream, which consists usually of a vanilla cream with chopped roasted almonds added to it. Almond macaroons are sometimes ground up and used in the same way. A frozen custard containing finely chopped cooked chestnuts, candied fruits, and sultana raisins, is called nesselrode pudding. The addition of nuts to an ice cream seems to make it necessary to flavor the mixture with a little extra salt.

Almost all candies, also, can be varied and usually improved, by the addition of nut kernels. Peanut brittle, pecan pralines, walnut taffy, butternut maple creams, chocolate-covered Brazil nuts, are but a few of the familiar types of nut candies always in favor. Pitted dates and prunes, stuffed with walnuts or other nut kernels, are home confections easily made.

## COOKED RICE SHOULD BE DRY AND FLAKY



Drying Boiled Rice in the Oven to Make the Grains Flaky and Separate.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Properly cooked rice should be dry and have each grain separate but thoroughly cooked through. Very often people who say they do not like rice have never eaten it properly cooked, and think of it only as a pasty mush, unsoftly and unpalatable. If boiled too long rice becomes sticky and the grains tend to break apart. Many persons make the mistake of overcooking rice and also of not salting it enough. In the Orient and in the Southern states in this country where rice is eaten almost daily, cooking methods are used which result in separating the grains and also in drying them out so they are not pasty.

Southern cooks generally prefer to boil rice in a large quantity of water. The United States Department of Agriculture gives the following directions for doing so:

### Boiled Rice.

1 teaspoonful salt 1 cupful rice  
4 or 5 quarts boiling water

Wash the rice through several waters until all the loose starch is removed, and drain it. Have the boiling water ready in a deep saucepan, add the salt, slowly drop in the rice and

allow it to boil rapidly for about 20 or 30 minutes, or until a grain when pressed between the thumb and finger is entirely soft. In order to prevent it from sticking to the pan lift it if necessary from time to time with a fork, but do not stir it, for stirring is likely to break the grains. When sufficiently cooked, turn the rice into a colander or sieve, and after the water has drained off cover with a cloth and set over a pan of hot water on the back of the stove or in the oven, or turn the rice into a shallow pan, cover with a lid, and place it in a warm oven for a short time. Treated in this way the grains swell and are kept separate.

If a large kettle is not at hand, rice may also be cooked successfully in a smaller open saucepan or kettle, allowing eight times as much water as rice, or two quarts of water to one cupful of rice. The same method is used as with the large proportion of water, but the rice requires more careful cooking. If the starchy liquid surrounding the grains is washed off by pouring hot water through the colander in which the cooked rice is draining each grain will be left separate and distinct. This is not usually necessary when the larger proportion of water is used.



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