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There Is Still Time To Build A Summer Wardrobe

Bare up, summer's here! Now is the time to come out into the sun, in clothes that are cool as mint, crisp as lettuce. Designed for freedom and coolness are the costumes of fashion that have smiled on for warm weather wear. Whether for business, active sports or old-fashioned loafing, summer coolers of the briefest of styles will keep you blissfully comfortable.

There is still time to build up your active summer wardrobe so gather up your scissors and thread for a summer sewing bee. Fresh patterns and materials. This year's pattern, with low U-neck and slightest mention of a sleeve, can be made up in hardly any time. If you use a pattern with a straight cutting line, your clothes will make the most of you in fit and finish. And by sewing for yourself you are saving money that is needed to help win the war.

Femininity has invaded sports-wear, wielding ruffles, lace and embroidery as feminine weapons. Chambray is dressed up with eyelet trim, while eyelet pique is used for pockets and sleeves on a casual dress. Cotton is a wonder fabric, always fresh and easy to wash like a dream. You will find gingham the fashion of cottons this year. Ballooning cloth is a new cotton, soft and easily laundered. Peer of summer cottons is seersucker, which stays perfectly crisp and needs the touch of an iron.

You will wear frisky, full-skirted halter for the beach and garden, a contrasting bolero and you have an ensemble for town wear. For sports such as swimming you will find you soaking up plenty of sunshine in an abbreviated suit with a bare midriff, or a dressmaker's suit with short flared skirt.

Get some color in your summer wardrobe. White is a smooth contrast to tan, either in a solid color, or a peach blossom-splashed jersey or crepe. Come out into the sun, wearing such enticing hues as turquoise, poppy pink, turquoise or china blue. Lift your spirits with bold plaids and stripes in brilliant red, green and yellow.

Carrying out the open air polka-dot theme are small, frothy accessories. Buy yourself a hat that is just a hint of a hat, enough to take all over town, but not too much to ward off the summer's heat. You will have fun crocheting hat and bag in dazzling colors. Or tuck your dresses into a crocheted snood that will help you keep a smooth head. All sorts of easily-made accessories will give buoyancy to your costume and help pass the hours while the summer heat's on.

WORSE FOR WEAR

The doctor was riding along toward the house to deliver Rastus' twelfth offspring and saw a duck in the road. He asked, "That's a duck is that?" Rastus: "That ain't no duck. That's a stork with his legs wore out."

ENGAGED TO ARMY MAN



Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cogdill, of Sylva, N. C., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kathryn Divola Cogdill, to Pvt. Bill Harold Nicholson, of the United States Army, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nicholson, of Rosman. Miss Cogdill attended Sylva high school, where she was active in athletics. She came to the Cafeteria in January, 1943. Pvt. Nicholson is now with the infantry in Italy. He is a graduate of Rosman high school, class of '42. He was also an employee of the Cafeteria before entering the service in Sept., '43.

Recipes

High-Hat Rhubarb Cake

"Spicy pink rhubarb crowns a tender, crusty upside-down cake. Serve warm and make the servings large."

- 2 cups cut rhubarb
- 2-3 cup sugar
- 1 tbspn. enriched flour
- 1 teaspn. grated orange peel
- 1 teaspn. cinnamon

- 2 teaspns. baking powder
- ½ teaspn. salt
- 2 tbspsn. sugar
- 1-4 cup shortening
- 1 beaten egg
- 3 tbspsn. milk

- 2 tbspsn. orange juice
- 1 tbspn. sugar

Fudge for Social

Treat your friends to a bit of this Coffee Cocoa Fudge when they drop in some evening. The children will like to make it, too. Then make some for that church social at which you are serving soon. It will go like hot-cakes.

COFFEE COCOA FUDGE

- 2 tbspsn. shortening
- 5 tbspsn. hot coffee
- 1-4 cup cocoa
- 1-4 teaspn. salt

1 lb. sifted confectioner's sugar

Place shortening and hot coffee in the top of a double boiler. Heat over boiling water until shortening is melted. Mix salt, sugar and cocoa and sift together. Stir in confectioner's sugar in three installments. If necessary, add a little more hot coffee. When mixture is well blended and smooth, remove at once from hot water, pour into greased in 7-7 in. pan, and cut into squares.

MORE KITCHEN FATS NEEDED, SAYS O.W.I.

Critical need for continued and increased collections of waste kitchen fats was announced by the Office of War Information. Such fats are used to make glycerine for high explosives. OWI said collections of 230,000,000 pounds would be needed this year, as compared with a total of less than 100,000,000 pounds collected last year. The practice is for the housewife to turn her waste kitchen fats in to her butcher. For each pound, she receives two red points and four cents.

Judge: "Can't this matter be settled out of court?"

Kelly: "Sure, your honor. That's what we were doing when the police interfered."

FOOD—Meat shortage? According to the War Food Administration, civilian consumers are gobbling up meat at a higher rate than at any time in 35 years. Supplies will probably dwindle somewhat toward the year's end, however. Don't be surprised if sugar manages to slip off the ration list some time in the near future. . . . With production soaring, America's egg markets are more scrambled than ever. Says the WFA: The country has more eggs than it knows what to do with. . . . America's soy-bean crop, sprouting to sky-scraper heights, looms as a big post-war moneymaker for the country's farmers. It's already pushing its way into the front ranks among wartime vegetables. Despite man, material and equipment shortages, canned food production has sprouted to peaks ranging from one-third to 40 times pre-war heights. One danger: Overproduction. . . . Increased civilian consumption, coupled with large military demands, has nearly doubled U. S. cracker and biscuit output in less than three years.

MATERIALS—No comfort to home-front shoppers is the fact that faltering paper salvage campaigns won't leave them "holding the bag." Why? With stores running out of wrapping materials, there may be no bags to hold.

FUEL—Black markets are draining three gallons of gas a month from every driver. Meanwhile, some observers won't be too surprised to see another East Coast "pleasure-driving" ban, to prevent the spread of warm weather motoring. . . . Discount rumors of a scheme to erect pipelines across Mexico in order to reinforce Pacific oil stocks. . . . Get ready for a stiff campaign to conserve coal, say fuel authorities. While "Sunday work" has boosted recent hard coal output, this year's soft coal production is expected to sag twenty million tons below war needs.

LABOR—Labor turnover is still a big headache to more than one war plant. . . . The pockets of America's factory workers are now bulging more than ever. Average weekly paycheck, \$47.59.

WATERPROOF DIRT—Muddy streets and roads may soon be a thing of the past, as a result of an unusual new development for waterproofing dirt. It's done by mixing "Stabino", a Hercules Powder Co. resin compound, with the top few inches of soil. The resulting surface will not only shed water like a duck, but will also last for periods as long as five years.

PAYROLL CALCULATOR—Credit the Berger-Brickner Co. with the development of a new type "pay-roll-calculator" that figures overtime as well as straight pay. The device quickly tabulates all hourly pay-rates from 40c to \$1.74, and any time period up to 80 hours, including divisions of tenths and quarters of an hour.

WATERPROOF MATCH—Rainproof cigarettes, already on the market, are now "meeting their match" in the newly-developed rainproof matches. Their tops, enclosed in waterproof "raincoat" solution, will light in the heaviest of April showers.

ALUMINUM PARADE—According to the Aluminum Co. of America, post-war Americans will witness a big parade of new aluminum products, including: (1) Aluminum
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