



Woman's World

Sew Children's Clothes at Home, Say Women Who Would Save

By Erta Haley

"I DON'T know how I'd manage the budget if I didn't sew the children's clothes at home," is what many women say to me. The saying of a few years ago, that it wasn't worth the effort to sew at home because things were so inexpensive, no longer holds water. It's just the other way around now, so buy your material, lady, and get busy at the sewing machine.

Pajamas, nighties and even robes are really so simple to make at home, that even the novice can whip through one of these garments in about two or three hours. The material and fit of the garments to say nothing of the workmanship is bound to be superior to what is now available in the finished product.

Materials are now coming to the market more readily, and it's fairly easy to find cottons, percale, broadcloth, seersucker, muslin, flannel or flannelette, challis and knitted wools for pajamas and gowns. Patterns are easy to follow, and you can even make them yourself if you're experienced at tracing from worn underwear.

Pajamas are one item where you can economize on sewing at home for the whole family. For the youngsters you may choose the two-piece kind inasmuch as they're the simplest to construct. I say this merely because one-piece pajamas necessitate buttons and buttonholes and you can save a half an hour of time in sewing if you use the two-piece type.

Here is a wonderfully simple way for making nightwear. First of all, have patterns and material ready



If you want to economize . . .

and make sure you know just what steps to follow. A good idea is to brush up on the instructions the evening before so you'll know exactly what comes next.

Assembly Line Technique Easy to Use for Pajamas

Cut all the pajamas you are going to make and pin each one together as you cut it. As you are pinning them, sort them into the piles you have to sew first, second, etc. In another pile, place facings and bands, pockets and cuffs; in other words, those pieces that are applied flat. Join shoulder seams, apply neck bands, sew in sleeves. Do all your hemming and basting, if necessary, at one sitting, then all machine sewing at another sitting.

Work on a large table and cut out several garments at the same time while you have all your equipment out. Work goes much faster if you can "specialize" a bit on your different tasks.

Fabrics for pajamas and nightgowns should be selected primarily for their durability and ease of washability. Any of the fabrics named previously will do the job thoroughly. Unless you really have time to spare, these fabrics need not be ironed before wearing. Just



Make children's clothes at home.

make sure that they are washed clean, hung properly, and then folded and tucked away in drawers until the next wearing. If desired, you may add decorative stitches or simple trimming like ric rac or colorful binding to these clothes. Little boys don't go for this sort of thing, but your daughter might like some pretty feminine touches on her garment.

Active youngsters as well as the oldsters should have pajamas that

Copper Felt Hat



This hat, called Bronze Lily by designer Peg Fischer, is an elegant creation of copper felt trimmed with bronzed feathers. The matching bronze muff completes the ensemble.

are cut generously. There are bound to be restless nights when the children toss and turn while sleeping, and their garments should be designed to give them freedom of action. Let the armholes particularly be large and roomy, the legs wide enough without being too baggy. Avoid having the legs too long as they will only get in the way.

Consider Comfort First in Making Pajamas

If however, the children seem to be sprouting more quickly than you can keep them in clothes, you may have generous hems on the pajama legs which can be taken down as they grow.

For the younger children it may be practical and even advisable to make pajamas with the feet. Many mothers feel that this comes in handy if the child should unwittingly throw off his covers during the night. For smaller children it is nice to have a back belt that can be slipped through the side seam belt loops to tie in front. The youngster can adjust this type of garment easily, and it eliminates buttons.

There's nothing so important as good stitching, especially where it concerns a much worn garment such as the pajama. Set the machine correctly with thread and fabric so that stitches will be even. You'll save a lot of time mending if you take this little precaution.

To finish the pajama properly, use a pinking shears on all simple seams. This may be employed during the cutting, and then this part of the garment will be finished. Cottons are easy to cut with pinking shears and no problems will arise if the shears are in good condition.

For the seams on the inside of the pants, a french or flat fell seam is best because it lies flat and will be more comfortable than any other type. True, it takes slightly longer to make, but the pajama will be more comfortable for it.

Knitted Lingerie

By laundering carefully and ironing the fabric of your knitted lingerie intelligently, you can preserve its good looks and add to its life.

Always iron on the wrong side, using a well padded ironing board. Follow the grain of the material as you let your iron sweep over the garment. Never pull or stretch the fabric.

Lace and embroidery should be pressed on the wrong side, and this is best done over a soft towel or a pad.

When you iron an unfamiliar fabric for the first time, beware of the temperature of your iron. Start with a warm iron, and if the wrinkles don't come out easily, gradually increase the heat until the iron glides smoothly over the garment, pressing out the wrinkles readily.

For rayon crepe and satin, use a moderately hot iron. The fabric should be almost dry when ironed.

Soft, spun rayons take a hot iron, but the fabric should be bone dry.

Fashion Flashes

Look for less tailored dresses in the casual line. One-piece dresses with surplice necklines seem to be the coming thing. These are not quite so tailored, and may be just the thing for busy afternoons of shopping or calling.

Designers are more and more interested in easy fitting in their new gowns, so look for this feature when you are purchasing your next dress.

Just as the winter dress is exquisitely simple in its cut and line, so are the classics soon to appear in the stores. The dresses already seen, especially those in linen, are beautifully tailored.

You'll be seeing white combined with an interesting array of prints, among them batik and paisley. These are bound to be flattering to young and old alike.



Anti-Frost Machine Will Save Orchards

Michigan Machine Will Raise Temperature

By W. J. DRYDEN

A new machine designed to protect farm crops, particularly semi-tropical orchard crops, has been perfected at Michigan State college.

The machine heats the plant and soil by means of an oil burning heater costing about \$125, which sends out infra-red heat waves. Cost of operation is about 75 cents an hour.

Severe frost damage has occurred in many fruit-growing areas and young trees have been severely affected. The new machine, shown in illustration, should prevent much of the loss.

The cause of frost damage is well known. Heat which is stored up in the soil and plants during the daylight hours is rapidly radiated into the atmosphere on still, cloudless nights. Lower layers of the atmosphere become chilled and on sloping ground, the chilled air, increasing in density, moves to the lowest situation. For this reason the new invention will prove of real value to orchard operators in many sections of the country.

Rid Farm of Wild Garlic With 2, 4-D

It will take only about 100 gallons of 2, 4-D spray mixture to rid the average acre of wild garlic. Winter has proven an ideal time. It will aid in eradication if the application can be made when the land is free of snow.

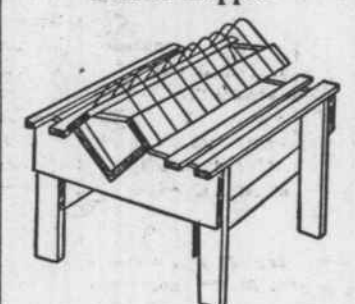
By applying the mixture in the winter, all the germinated wild



garlic plants will be killed and sufficient 2, 4-D will remain in the soil for two months to kill late germinating plants. Some spot spraying may be necessary the second year.

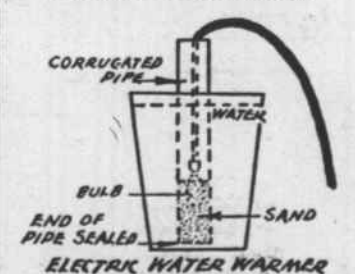
Many cities and road districts plan to use 2, 4-D to kill weeds along roads, parks and public land. Tests conducted last year have proven the value of this weed killer.

Indoor Hopper



For best results one foot of mesh hopper space should be provided for each five hens. In case of small flocks it might be advisable to increase the space. With this type of hopper, daily filling usually is advisable. The V-shaped hopper should not be over-filled.

Electric Water Heater



Pieces of metal tubes such as down spout, if closed water tight on one end, make satisfactory water warmers. Light bulbs are inserted into sand for retaining the heat. The tube stands in the water pail.

Get Busy When Pigs Develop Diarrhea

When pigs have diarrhea, the cause should be found immediately. It may be the symptom of a serious disease.

Diarrhea in pigs also may mean an attack of cholera, necro or one of several other diseases. The hog raiser should be especially suspicious if the bowel trouble is accompanied by weakness or other symptoms, says Dr. L. P. Doyle of Purdue university.

AROUND THE HOUSE

To restore and preserve cane seats treat lightly with linseed oil. Be sure all excess oil has been wiped away.

Cloth-covered suitcases can be restored to newness by covering the fabric with a coat of high grade lacquer.

To prevent windows from sticking, rub a little floor wax in the window sash groove.

To remove the metal base of an electric light bulb that has broken in the socket, push a cork into the base and turn it.

Winter window washing is made a lot easier by adding denatured alcohol to the water to prevent freezing. Wipe quickly with crushed tissue paper.

Still Second Rating

The touring company had never been of the best, and when they reached the stage of playing to the family of the man who owned the little country theater, and found that even they left at the end of the first act, it was decided to break up. Two of the actors set out to work their way back to New York.

They were lucky enough to get a passage on a barge, and when passing through a lock they overheard this conversation:

"What you got on board, Jim?"

"Load of fertilizer and a couple of actors, Bert."

The two actors looked at each other in silence, then sighed deeply.

"Cyril," said one, "shall we never top the bill?"

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