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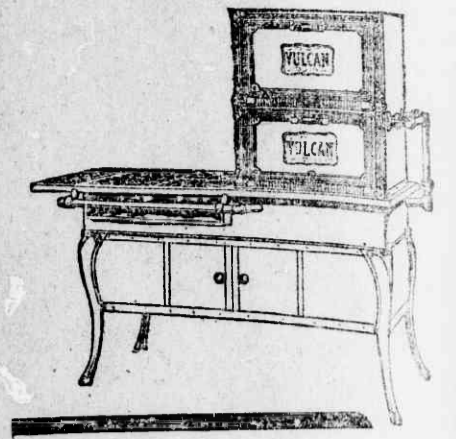
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: Fashion Letter :

New York, April 25.
The favorite of all embroideries this summer is to be the open English work. Fortunately this embroidery, since it can be worked so much more rapidly than the filled in patterns, is not so expensive as the latter. English embroidery can also be learned quickly by the amateur, and with comparatively little expenditure of time and labor it is possible to make for oneself a most satisfactory effective bodice.

Blue worked upon a background of white is exceedingly smart, and mauve is another color much in vogue this season. An attractive gown is fashioned by embroidery of white batiste embro-

dered in mauve, the gown bordered with a deep band of mauve-colored lawn.

Mauve belt, hat and parasol complete this charming costume. Occasionally the gown is all of white worn over a slip of pink or blue that, against the color, the beauty of the work may show up with best effect.

Linen gowns also this summer show a wealth of English embroidery. For a dark linen gown made quite simply, an Eton or bolero jacket of white embroidered linen makes an effective finish, and this jacket can also, of course, serve its turn with other linen frocks in the outfit.

Plain and Striped Voile.
Striped and plain colored voile is to be as fashionable for midsummer frocks as for the gowns for city wear during the last days of spring. Stripes grow wider as the season advances, but the color and the white line remain of equal width. Black and white is still a popular combination, and for town, dark blues and greens with relief given in the broad, white stripe are exceedingly smart. For mourning, black voile is an excellent material, dull in finish, deliciously light and cool in weight.

For hot weather voile should be made on a foundation of lawn or China silk rather than taffeta. If necessary this thing can be boned and fitted as well as satin or heavy silk.

At this time of year mohair coat and skirt costumes commence to make their appearance, and excellent suits they are for warm days. Deep purple with collar and cuffs of white mohair is smart, but for pure service there is nothing to compare to navy blue or black, preferably of a striped or check pattern.

Homespun Popular.
For the wool suit of light color which must be provided in every summer outfit there is nothing more satisfactory in the long run than a good quality of homespun of not too heavy weight. White or a deep cream is perhaps most popular for this style of dress, but the pale soft tones of pink, blue, green and lavender—shades quite different from any made up for city wear—are unquestionably smartest.

Hats are undergoing an interesting transformation, which, although slow, is sure. Crowns are not so large, brims are decidedly smaller and the hat which nearly covers the entire head is not likely to last throughout the summer. There is a tendency among the newest French hats to be placed much higher on the head, and it is even rumored that bandeaux, lifting the hat up from the hair, are to return to vogue. It will be noticed that while a number of last season's bonnets are possible again this year, they appear much larger than they did when packed away in the autumn, which goes to prove the undeniable return of smaller shapes. Nor is it necessary for the hat to match exactly the gown with which it is worn, although it must, of course, bear reference to the costume which it complements. Green hats of all tones, from pale bluish net, to most vivid grass color, are popu-

lar for both spring and summer headgear.

Sailor Shapes Worn.
Sailor shapes, small in diameter, are seen again with the brim slightly wider at the back than in front. One quill placed flat against the right side of the crown and extending out some inches

Costumes for Out of Doors.

In this day and generation, girls and women who go in at all for the different fashionable sports should plan this department of their wardrobe well ahead of time. At present the favorite tennis costume consists in a bodice of madras or linen, made with long sleeves, with either soft or starched cuffs, and a skirt of duck, pique or butcher's linen, cut with long, straight lines and affording sufficient fullness for absolute comfort. A box-pleat, back and front, pressed flat to the very edge of the hem but not stitched more than a few inches below the knee, so that the folds can open out, will give the necessary width for a run across the court. Nothing like the amount of material is allowed, however, as formerly, in the pleat, and indeed, a fairly narrow skirt is more comfortable in a sporting dress than the old model with its unnecessary yards of stuff to wrap itself about one in the wind.

Frills of Shear Material.

The prettiest finish for a tennis waist consists in a hand-scalloped frill of sheer French linen fastened to the collar, back and front, by small gold or bone collar buttons. There is a separate frill placed over the buttonhole flap down the center of the bodice. This frill is the same width as that about the throat—about four inches—and knife pleated. A bright colored knitted tie or a wide bow of satin or taffeta ribbon of becoming shade makes a pretty finish at the throat with the fine white frill and low collar.

It is still early for summer outdoor costumes, it is true, but in this uncertain climate it is wise to be prepared for a spell of hot weather, which may arrive at any day and again may not be upon us for another month. Forewarned is forearmed, however, and the midsummer outfit should be well on its way by the end of April.

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Figure Two.

beyond the hat itself is a smart model for a traveling or shirt-waist hat. A facing of black velvet will make almost any hat becoming if the color is too vivid against the face. For dress hats, uncurled ostrich feathers are much in evidence.

The first figure shows a charming little frock with one of the new gathered hip yokes. The bodice is quite plain, in Peasant style, with a collar and revers of lace. Buttons and braid finish the closing outline. The second illustration shows a Princess tunic of figured challie with a foundation skirt of messaline satin. The guimpe is of net, and lace banding adds an effective touch of decoration.



Figure One.

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FIGURES IN LORIMER CASE

Senator William Lorimer, of Illinois, in the center; on the left, Senator Jos eph W. Bailey, of Texas, the democratic who defended him before the senate; and H. H. Holsaet, the Chicago publisher, who has been a bitter foe of Lorimer. Upon information received in confidence Kohlaast based an editorial printed last February in which he charged the use of a \$100,000 "slush fund" to elect Lorimer. This resulted in his being called before the investigating committee of the Illinois state legislature where he refused to divulge the name of his informant, and he was given one week to tell the man's name or stand in contempt of the committee. Clarence S. Funk, general manager of the International Harvester Company, went before the committee and saved Kohlaast from a possible jail term by declaring himself the publishers informant.