

Lace Blouse for Every Occasion

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less informal occasion. The lines are as smart and new as the laces which fashion them.

To the left in the group we have a trim little blouse, smart, tailored and youthful. Interesting, too, because of the very new fabric-like lace

BY WAY of keeping properly informed as to the high-spots which loom on fashion's horizon, let's talk about lace. It is not only the future of lace looks wonderfully bright and promising but lace in the scheme of styles current is playing a most outstanding role.

Lace in an endless variety of new and unusual weaves and textures is being used in ways we would not have dreamed of a generation ago—not only for dresses and negligees, which bespeak romance and leisure and prettily feminine wiles, but for tailored suits and blouses and various apparel for the more practical sorts. Lace registers as dependably wearable and chic. Then, too, one of the most fascinating chapters being written into the story of fashion present and coming has to do with shoes, handbags and gloves which are ingeniously styled of lace.

It goes without saying, that in his emphasis given to lace for every occasion there needs must be a right lace for the right time and place, as we now have lace at our disposal as filmy and fragile as cobwebs, as sturdy and wearable as woods, and in tune with the trend to elegance comes along this season rich and lustrous laces shot with gold and silver or sparkling with glitter of sequin embellishment.

Lace blouses are particularly highlighted in the present mode. We are picturing three which will add variety and interest to the winter velvet or cloth suit, making it appropriate for any more or

—gold shot metal saphyr lace knit—and it comes in a wide choice of colors such as candy beige, clay rust, Chinese coral and mahogany brown.

The lace blouse with the polka dot pattern gives just the right accent when you don't care to look too tailored. Soft, feminine and quite new in line and medium is this woelette lace blouse.

If you want a blouse to dress up your suit for an afternoon bridge or a matinee or three o'clock musicale, here's the very thing centered in the picture—a fine Alencon lace in a thoroughly wearable style.

The new lace tunics are wonderfully good looking. Whether in the modish dark colored laces, wine, hunter's green, rust brown or in the delectable ice blue, blush pink or pale champagne tints, these knee-length blouses are fascinating. Wear them over a velvet or crepe skirt or that which is the last word in chic—a sheer skirt knife pleated all around, for evening.

If you want to be assured of always looking beautifully gowned during the formal after-five hours enrich your wardrobe to the extent of one exquisite black lace gown. The filmy Chantilly black laces are competing with the heavier grandiose Spanish types at present. To vary the appearance of the black lace dress of your choice have it made with a neckline which lends itself to jeweled clips, also to the wearing of flowers across the front neckline.

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THE CHILD'S MIND AND OURS

THE child's mind is as complex as the adult's.

That pronouncement came out at the recent meeting of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene. Dr. James S. Plant, director of the Newark (N. J.) Juvenile Clinic, told the assembled doctors psychiatry has just learned that the child mind is no simpler to understand than the adult mind, and that their failure to realize this may be responsible for the appalling number of delinquent and maladjusted children.

Well—we shouldn't be surprised. Only, what a pity that the experts in this field didn't long ago consult a few ordinary mothers, or some teachers who knew their jobs. Had they even paged enough imagination to recall their own childhood, they need not have been so late in discovering what to all who understand children is an obvious fact.

The child mind as complex as the adult's? It would be safer to call it more complex. In many lanes of knowledge and thought that are familiar and well charted to the grown-up, the child moves in a constant fog. He has hardly catalogued a thing in his mind when something happens to upset his theory and leave him in the dark about what it is all about. Scarcely have doubts on an important principle of life resolved themselves into definite knowledge, than an adult contradiction in action or speech, an adult hint or patronizing smile, sends him floundering again.

A child has so many ideals, so many hopes, so many wonders and questions on which he forms conclusions which bring disappointments and doubts and disillusion, that he is in a constant labyrinth of thought, up one alley and down the next—usually, it must be said, after some adult who doesn't know where he is going, but doesn't care so much as the child! For the

child's very world depends on the answer to these thoughts. The adult's world is formed—and how ever well or badly he may be adjusted to it, he at least knows what he is up against.

Far be it from me to paint adults as sure of life or ourselves. But there are many things we know, about which the child can only wonder and guess. And about the things that leave us as floundering and helpless as the child, we at least know that we cannot know! And we have two weapons which he still lacks, to keep us on our feet in the maze. They are philosophy and a sense of humor.

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One minute it's a skirt, then a knee rug, and then a throw-about-the-neck. That's a feature of a new squaw sports suit of pig grain leather and blanket plaid wool.

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FASHION'S FANCIES

Black gloves are worn with black ensembles.

Smart new coats combine fur and fabric in odd and exotic designs.

Tunics have turned the corner into the spotlight of winter styles.

New evening coat by Jenny is of velvet with feather sleeves in ostrich.

A bracelet made of plaid woods features the natural grain and color tones.

American beauty red is a color much seen in knitted costumes at present.

A great effort is being made in Paris to revive the custom of carrying fans.

Woolen dresses with matching, fur-trimmed jackets are newer than two-piece suits.