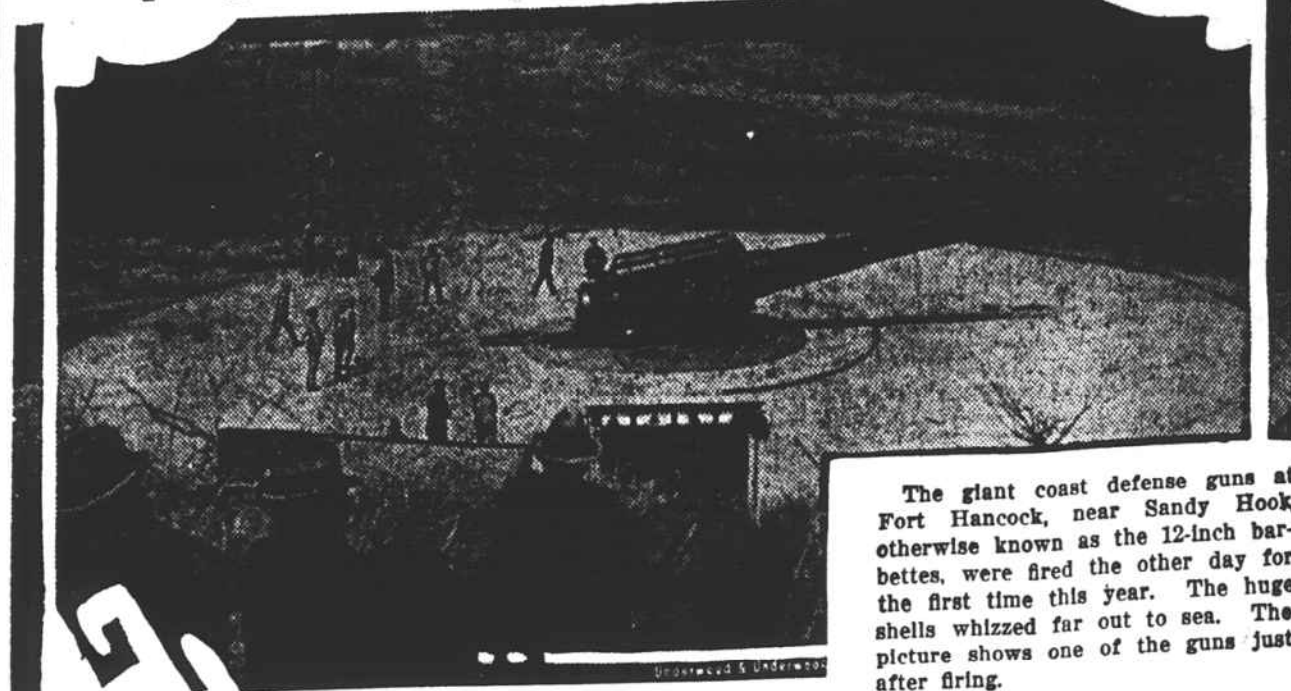


### Spring Tests of Our Big Coast Defense Guns Begin



The giant coast defense guns at Fort Hancock, near Sandy Hook, otherwise known as the 12-inch batteries, were fired the other day for the first time this year. The huge shells whizzed far out to sea. The picture shows one of the guns just after firing.

### HEADWEAR NOTABLE FOR STYLE; TAILORED SUITS NOW POPULAR

EVERY once in a while a tidal wave in fashion seems to roll, with the dawn, across the country and all the women, from Maine to California, wake up wanting the same thing on the same day. Once it was fanciful shoes, again it was the straightline dress, last season the call was for the little felt hat, as like other felt hats as peas in a pod, and now it is for headwear of exactly the opposite type. Yes, we have been asleep at the switch in millinery matters, overlooking the importance of the most flattering of all our belongings. But with spring come an awakening and now women are firmly and unambiguously calling for variety and beauty in their hats and more than all, for an essential but not important part in the season's style drama. Stellar roles were given to softly feminine types of apparel and no one foresaw that mannish tailored suits would come anywhere near rivaling them, but they have. New versions of tailored types are coming in for the midseason; they are very sumptuous and of a captivating prettiness with all their tailored lines. The tailored mode begins with tweed or homespun utility suits in boyish or sports types. These have short, hip-length jackets, single or double breasted, patch or slit pockets. Then come the most popular of all suits made of twill or charmeen in plain colors or black, with navy blue most popular. These are demanded in mannish and in dressier styles. Hair line stripes and checks are usually plain and severely tailored and there are many smart combinations of checks with plain materials. Cape suits and ensembles answer the call for dressier tailors. Innovations in the tailored mode appear in the introduction of livelier colors and new patterns in weaving. Tweeds are varied by fancy and tapestry patterns and by the introduction of new colors, as rosy tan, lavender or green, and homespun may be had in high colors. Twill and charmeen are displayed in light green, white, pale beige, warm tan, and for midsummer we will have soft tones of blue, rose or mauve as well. By the introduction of these new, light colors, and by clever designing and finishing touches the tailored modes reflect the predominance of feminine styles. But stylists are going a step farther for midsummer; they are interpreting the taller in satin and in taffeta silk. The simple model pictured here is made of white satin with vestee and pipings in pale green. A green and white hat, white footwear, white gloves and green-flowered parasols complete a costume that looks as cool as a glacier.



Showing Particular Style Value.

for the element of style—that is, artistic value.

This revival of interest in diversified styles is a joy to the creators of millinery, and after a famine we have a feast of varied shapes of which several familiar types are shown in the illustration. There are numbers of mushroom brims and creased crowns in the displays and the Spanish sailor is a new arrival that promises to become very popular. The fine Italian crocheted hats, that came out in small, close-fitting shapes, are developed now in larger sizes.

This diversity in shapes is matched by variety of mediums used for making them. Besides straw and hair braids, belting ribbon, taffeta, silk, satin and velvet serve to fashion many hats and lace and georgette are used as well. Combinations of straws with fabrics, and of two different fabrics, as belting ribbon and satin or taffeta

hand him a match. It is the machine that plays the title role of Carmen, while the girl inspectors are merely understudies.

Winston-Salem's stamp-sticking machines consume annually the most expensive meal in the world—a matter of \$100,000,000 worth of Uncle Sam's familiar blue imprints. That is the sum of her federal taxes, which represent one-half of those paid by North Carolina.

#### High Living Kills Deer After Month's Fancy Diet

Hancock, N. Y.—High living and lack of exercise resulted in the untimely death of a buck deer on the Baxter farm at Horton, N. Y., a few miles from here.

Four weeks ago, during a snowfall, a deer stalled in a snow bank on the Baxter farm and when rescued was exhausted. Taken to the barn, he seemed too weak to eat until Mrs. Baxter tried some hot buckwheat cakes with butter and sugar on them, and for these he "fell," and soon became himself again.

His presence and odd diet attracted visitors, who tried all sorts of dainties on him, improving his spirits and enlarging his girth. After four weeks of high living in the Baxter barn he was about the handsomest buck ever seen in these parts. After a four-course dinner, with fudge and bonbons for dessert, he spent a restless night, and died at daybreak.

#### Baby Baroness Proves Surprise to U. S. Agents

New York.—Usually when a baroness crosses the Atlantic to New York her customs declaration looks like an inventory for a department store.

So when the name of Baroness Madeline Van Boetzlaer appeared on the passenger list of the liner Veendam, arriving from Rotterdam, the customs inspectors took notice. The baroness could not be found, neither was her manifesto filed. The inspectors told the purser, William Barron, to find the baroness.

A chubby little girl of two years played about him, first on a chair, then on the floor, then fooling with pencils on the table.

"Look after that youngster and find the baroness," he said sharply to a ship steward nearby.

"There she is playing with your pencils," the steward said.

#### Historic Table Highly Prized



This table was built from 12 kinds of wood owned by George Washington. It is now in the D. A. R. hall in Washington. From under the table hangs an exactly proportioned Liberty bell.

## North Carolina's New Industries

### Steadily Shifting From Cotton Fields to Mill Centers.

Washington.—North Carolina is passing through a renaissance. Due to her steadily intensifying shift from cotton fields to mill centers, and from once-idle streams to throbbing dynamos, she has suddenly rediscovered herself on the threshold of industrial power.

With this introduction Melville Charter tells what he saw on a motor tour of North Carolina's industry, development, historic scenes and interesting people, in a communication to the National Geographic society, from which the following is extracted:

"For centuries wild horses have been roaming on the Cape Hatteras banks, and current tradition has it that they are descended from Barbary ponies which were brought over by Sir Walter Raleigh's colonists.

"Our quest landed us on a naked, sun-baked spit where men were driving the so-called 'banker ponies' along the beach and into a corral made of timbers from old wrecks. Perched on the pen's top rail, with the beach-pounding surf along one edge of the narrow spit and the sound, with its rough sailboats, on the other, we took lens shots at the inclosed jam of 200 horses, as they reared and kicked each other into a state of bloodied noses and wildly rolling eyes.

"Some of the herders lassoed and cut out colts for branding or sale. Others yelled out their branding marks, recognized on mares, and claimed the accompanying foals.

"A few years ago these putative descendants of Raleigh's little Barbary ponies were bringing \$50 to \$125. The auctioneer, in explanation, complained, 'Tew much gasoline about nowadays!'

"The legendary North Carolinian who in the '60s called his three daughters Rosie, Tar, and Turpentine would today be naming them after cigarette brands, furniture trade-marks, and cotton goods patterns.

Charlotte Spindle Center. "Charlotte, situated between the big hydroelectric developments along the Catawba and Yadkin rivers, is a plexus of this new industrialism. In the last 25 years the number of textile mills operating within a 100-mile radius of that city has increased fivefold, with a present spindleage of 10,000,000.

"An hour's ride beyond Charlotte we entered Gastonia, one of the largest textile centers in the United States. Of its 20,000 people, about three-fourths are workers in the 42 mills whose tall stacks cut the sky. Yet, in the town's broad, tree-shaded streets, lined with neat cottages on well-kept, flower-fringed plots, one felt no oppressive sense of concentrated industry, but rather the restfulness of some model suburb, wide-spread to sun, air, and surrounding countryside.

"With mill workers' cottages rentable at \$3 a month, with water and electric light free, and a mild climate, necessitating little fuel, which is obtainable at cost, it is not uncommon for mountain families to work at Gastonia long enough to pay off their farm mortgage and then return to the Blue Ridge.

"Gaston county contains 98 textile mills, which represent one-sixth of the state's total spindleage and consume almost one-third of her cotton crop.

"A few hours' drive from Chimney Rock further into the mountains brought us to Asheville, the gateway to what North Carolinians have well named the Land of the Sky. Never was an altitude of half a mile above sea level so unobvious, in all the tonic atmosphere. Set in a vast bowl, Asheville is encircled by mountains whose 20 highest peaks top all altitudes in the Eastern states. Could the Titans return, they might appropriately seat themselves as spectators of one of Asheville's big golf or tennis meets.

Turning Back Time. "Surrounded by the modishness of Asheville, one scarcely realizes that only 50 miles away mountaineers are living a ruggedly simple existence behind hand-hewn timbers and on small 'switchback' farms, with Revolutionary looms and spinning wheels alongside their chimney pieces of native rock.

"It was a farseeing woman from among the 'balled-shirt' life of Asheville who persuaded these remote, almost forgotten, mountain folk to set their long-idle looms going again. Today there are half a dozen handcraft centers scattered through western North Carolina.

"Back in 1912, when only one North Carolinian in 380 owned a motor vehicle, the then-existing roads answered the needs of the day—answered that is, in the sense that the single log across a North Carolina mountain stream then answered as a footbridge. They got you somewhere, no matter how.

"In 1921 the state legislature authorized \$50,000,000 worth of road bonds. Today the bond issues total \$85,000,000.

"Carmen, with a hand on her hip and a rose between her lips is a world away from Winston-Salem's methods of cigarette manufacture. One machine shreds and feeds out the 'makings.' Another rolls them into a never-ending length of cigarette, which, as it oozes forth, is slipped into multiples as rapidly as a machine gun sprays bullets.

"Other machines make containers, affix revenue stamps, imprint and record serialized numbers—in fact, do everything for the smoker except to

providing employment for needy women. Miss Gourd has directed several investigations into social problems affecting the welfare of women, presided over the Geneva exposition, which was devoted to showing what Geneva women are achieving in practical production, and was foremost in insisting that two women should be appointed as assistant police officials at Geneva.

In 1908 she became secretary of the National Alliance of Swiss Women Societies and later, as president of the Geneva Association for Woman Suffrage, launched a popular movement in favor of extending the franchise to women. Then followed election as secretary of the International Alliance for Woman Suffrage, and for it organized at Geneva the eighth international woman suffrage congress. She is now the representative of this organization to the League of Nations.

Despite this activity, Miss Gourd has written several worth-while volumes in addition to her daily journalistic output.

## EMILIE GOURD IS MOST EMINENT OF SWISS WOMEN

### Leader of Feminist Movement in Little Republic and Head of Most Activities of Women.

Geneva.—If women voted in Switzerland and were asked to cast their ballot for the most eminent in their confederation, there doubtless would be a flood of votes for Emilie Gourd, who personifies dynamic activity in all movements for the public welfare.

Miss Gourd of Geneva is editor of the Feminist Movement, the official organ of the national alliance of Swiss feminist societies. Women of Switzerland are permitted to vote only in certain municipalities on questions touching religion and education. Hence they are waging a persistent campaign to obtain the general franchise right.

The leader in this movement does not expect the new Swiss parliament to play an important role in suffra-

gist history, but the struggle will go on. "Our tactics are to win over to the cause of woman's suffrage first one canton and then another canton," Miss Gourd said. "Which canton will come to us first I know not. The big test will come when the voters as a whole as a federal body will be asked to decide whether women are to vote in Switzerland."

Miss Gourd was born in Geneva in 1878, the daughter of J. J. Gourd, well-known philosopher and professor at the University of Geneva. At an early age she herself became a professor in the private high schools and later was made secretary and then vice president of the Union of Women of Geneva. In 1914 she founded and personally directed a sewing circle for women whom the World war rendered homeless and workless—a circle which continues its usefulness to this day

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