

Summer Mood Expressed in Enchanting Sheer Cottons

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



style on period lines having a tiny low-cut basque bodice with very full skirt banded in the deep garnet organdy. The matching bolero tunes it to informal wear.

It's the fashion for dainty cotton sheers to be made up in the sweet simplicity mode with ribbons run through yards and yards of beading and other cunning details that are reminiscent of great, great grandmamma's day. See in the gown pictured to the right how entrancingly this scheme of things is being tuned to current style trends. The material for this fetching gown is a sheer cut-out embroidered Swiss organdy with fitted basque bodice and detachable puffed sleeves. Deep rose grosgrain ribbon bandings show through the transparent weave most quaintly and effectively.

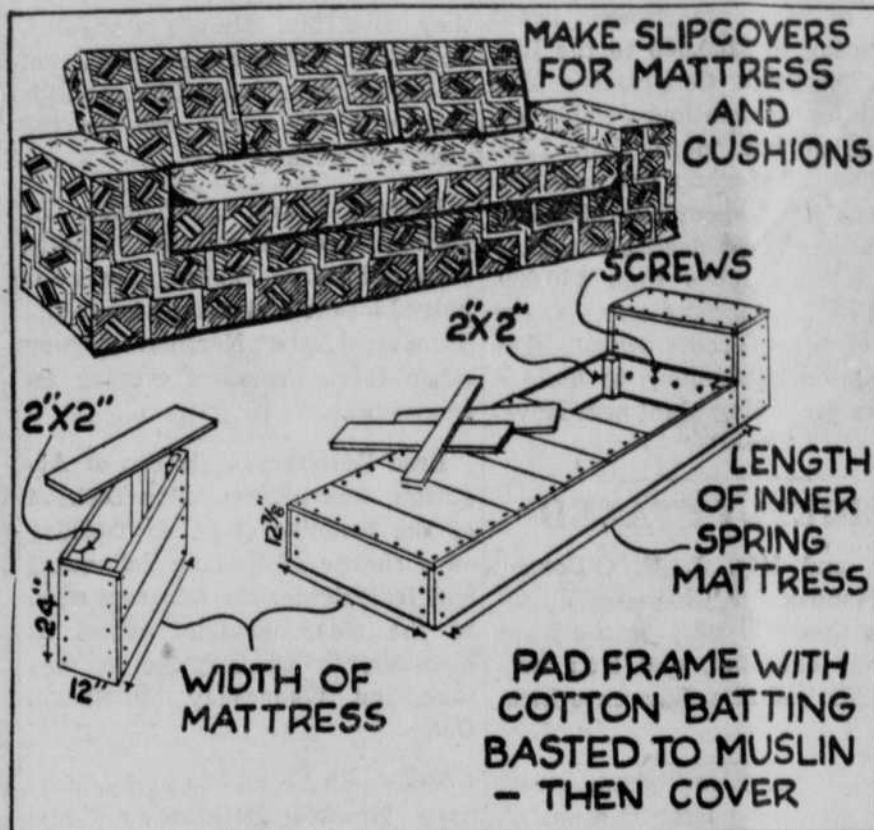
WITH the new emphasis on allure, romance and the sweetly feminine which is coloring every detail of the season's fashions, the evening mode for summer becomes more exciting than it has been in many decades. Romantic traditions are being revived with endlessly spreading skirts billowing from slender fitted bodices or high bodices, smooth shoulders gleaming above quaint puffed sleeves and the daintiest of materials heralding a new mood of enchantment.

Nowhere is this new influence more thrillingly interpreted than in the use of delicate sheer imported cottons for picturesque evening gowns. Fine Swiss organdies, amazingly versatile in their effects and finishes, are ideally adapted to glamorous styling. Deceptively fragile and delicate in appearance, they combine practicality with their alluring daintiness, for these imported cottons carry a permanent lustrous finish which survives any number of tubings or trips to the cleaner. They may be depended upon to retain their original freshness and vitality indefinitely.

Lovely beyond words are the cut-out embroidered organdies in geometric and floral patterns which make adorably youthful frocks when style along simple lines that enhance the charm of the fabric. A winsome frock of the sweet simplicity type that uses cutout embroidered organdy is shown to the left in the illustration. Here delicacy with chic is achieved, plus a dramatic play on color via the striking use of deep garnet colored organdy embroidered in a trailing white vine patterning as trimming on deep blue Swiss organdy similarly embroidered. The frock is

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Three Boxes Make a Davenport Frame.

THERE comes a letter from a reader who says: "Thanks for the article telling how to make a chair of lumber and cover it. I wish there were more things that husbands and wives could do together."

Here is something that looks ambitious but is really simple. Anyone that can make three wooden boxes and then screw or bolt them together, can make this davenport frame. The center box is made to fit an inner spring mattress of any size desired. All the other dimensions are given here.

One way to make the cushions is to bind flat sheets of newspaper together and then pad this base with cotton. Covering material in a rather heavy, rough textured cotton goods in a plain color or a conventional design will harmonize best with the modern lines of this piece of furniture.

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SEWING CIRCLE

SEVERAL gay sets like 1762, including a fitted, broad-shouldered jacket, beret, gloves and envelope bag, will make a simple wardrobe look like a lot more! It's stunning with your day frocks and white skirts. Easy to make. Choose linen, gingham, pique or sharkskin for this smart design, which reproduces the style of expensive ready-mades.

New Slenderizing Fashion.
Large women who want a soft, pretty afternoon dress will find 1742 extremely becoming, and it's decidedly new and smart. The paneled skirt, with a graceful circular flare, is markedly hip-diminishing. The bodice fits nicely over the bust because it's gathered under the smooth shoulders. Loose sleeves always look so pret-

ty and feel so cool. In voile, georgette or chiffon, this will be your favorite for afternoon parties.

No. 1762 is designed for sizes 14, 16, 18, 20; 40 and 42. Size 16 requires 2 1/4 yards of 35 inch fabric for short-sleeved jacket; 3/4 yard for beret; 3/8 yard for bag and 1/8 yard for gloves. A piece 1 1/8



Betsy Ross' Flag

The design of the first American flag was adopted by the Continental congress on June 14, 1777, and the Betsy Ross tradition is that she made the first flag after this adoption, though there had been others of similar design previously. An old cottage at 229 Arch street, Philadelphia, said to have been Betsy's home and the place where she made her flag, is carefully preserved for its historic interest, though the district around it has long since been given over to warehouses and loft buildings. The cottage is maintained as a flag museum.

AROUND the HOUSE Items of Interest to the Housewife

Plant Food Spreader.—Supply plant food to your garden from the first. A kitchen colander is a handy utensil to use for spreading the food.

Economical Dessert.—One and a half cups of cooked prunes (chopped) added to a quart of partially frozen vanilla ice cream makes an economical dessert.

To Make Meat Tender.—Meat is often tough because it has not been hung long enough before cooking. To make sure of steaks or cutlets being tender, soak them in olive oil for an hour or two before cooking.

Spare the Soap and Gilt.—Use very little soap on gilt china.

Garnishes.—A true garnish supplies flavor and appeals to the eye. Serve slices of lemon with fish, slices of lemon or orange with iced tea, chopped parsley as a topping for cooked potatoes, rice or macaroni and green pepper or pimiento strips on the top of potato salads.

Inconspicuous Paint.—A "spotty" effect in a kitchen may result if door knobs, hinges, door panels, or parts of chairs are made too conspicuous with bright paint.

Cleaning Cement Ornaments.—Use a medium stiff wire brush to clean the bird baths and other cement ornaments in the garden.

Whipping Egg Whites.—Egg whites beat easier when at room temperature. Remove from refrigerator and let stand a while before whipping.

In the Living Room.—Too many cushions on the davenport often spoil its proportion.

When Mirrors Become Stained.—Make a paste of fine whiting and methylated spirit. Rub it over the mirror and leave to dry; then clean the mirror in the ordinary way.

Bustle Dress Is In Style Picture

It is difficult to imagine the bustle dress coming back into the style picture, but from signs that tell it is not only coming but it's here. The movement began with a disposition among several Paris couturiers who advocated fullness brought to the back in skirts—a fashion that is widely accepted at the moment. Designers recently returned from the Paris openings say that the theme has been taken up to such an extent many dresses reflect the bustle influence in no uncertain terms via big bows placed at the waistline and via hip drapery that terminates in a bustle line at the back. For the most part the bustle trend is confined to formal evening gowns although several afternoon flowered chignons have taken on tiers of ruffles at the back starting at the waistline.

Check Silk Suit



Mother-Daughter Styles in Favor

The idea of styling parent-and-child costumes alike is as popular as ever. Some clever new versions turned out for this season include the skirt of many gores for both mother and little daughter done in a monotone weave or in the popular stripes if you choose. Shirtwaists of dotted or striped washable crepe are tailored identically, size their only distinction.

Mesh Evening Scarf
You can feel yourself a dashing senorita this summer if you wear one of the new white mesh scarves wrapped Spanish style about you with your cotton evening dresses.



Breath of Air
Friend—Hello, George. Out for a stroll this fine evening?
Farmer—Yep! I need a mouthful of fresh air after being cooped up on a hunert-sixty acres all day.

A REMINDER
Crystal clear organdies both in pastel monotonies and deep tones are beguiling for gossamer sheer dinner and evening gowns styled to emphasize the daintiness of this type.
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Share Cropper
Barber—How do you want your hair cut?
Farmer—I'm not particular.
Barber—I'll cut it any way you like.
Farmer—That's a bargain. Cut it on shares. You can have half the hair for your work.

Ultra
Mrs. Skjold—I wish to buy a fashionable dress.
Clerk—Yes, madam, will you have it too tight, too long or both?

Safety Talk
Frisby—Why do you only talk politics with your wife?
Xercon—Politics doesn't remind her of anything she wants.

Qualified
"Darling," said the film star to her husband, "have you bathed?"
"Yes, dear."
"And cleaned your teeth?"
"Yes, my pet."
"And shaved?"
"Yes, my love."
"Good—then you may kiss Fido."

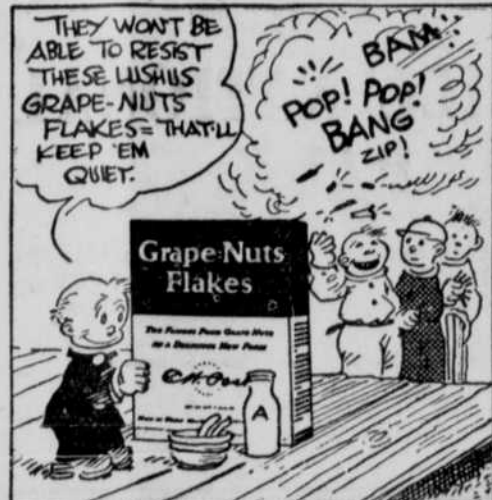
Bowling Green?
Boogy—I'm a little stiff from bowling.
Woogy—Where'd you say you were from?

Knew His Peril
A Texan was defeated ignominiously when he ran for the office of sheriff. He got 55 votes out of a total of 3,500, and the next day he walked down Main street with two guns hanging from his belt.
"You were not elected, and you have no right to carry guns," fellow-citizens told him.
"Listen, folks," he replied, "a man with no more friends than I've got in this county needs to carry guns."

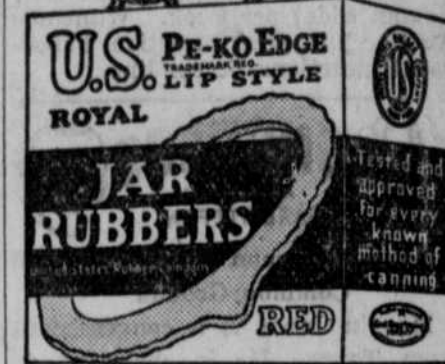
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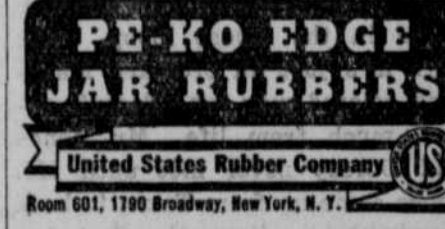
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