

SIDE FLARE FROCK

Garment Is Regarded as Dominant Note of Spring Styles.

Outfit May Be Made to Combine Satin, Taffeta, Velvet and a Sheer Material.

The frock shown in the sketch, while designed for present season wear, really is an intimation of the silhouette that is now regarded as the dominant note of spring styles. In other words, says a fashion authority, frocks showing a side flare, extreme or moderate, with distinctly flat front and back effects, will hold the center of the sartorial stage. The tendency is to feature a side fullness rather than a flare, as there is a generous use of material without wiring or other artificial re-enforcement. The result is the fullness described, in many cases a sort of bunching of the fabric by means of plaits and gathers.

The frock sketched may be made to combine satin or taffeta, or even velvet and a sheer material, such as georgette, chiffon or net, and it would be quite smart for afternoon wear.

Present season frocks worn by Americans generally show long sleeves—that is, except the frocks designed for evening or dressy afternoon wear. According to all indications, however, the prejudice that has existed in the minds of American women against the display of a long expanse of bare arm, except in the evening or in the privacy of the home, has at last been dispelled, and next spring will see women wearing wool frocks of the tailored or semi-tailored type, equipped with sleeves that are well above the elbow.

It is also announced that plaids will have a very strong run of favor in tailored street apparel in the spring. Many very smart and also very striking plaid wool fabrics are being brought out to meet this demand. Or perhaps the demand has been created



Frock Featuring Moderate Side Flare. to take care of the handsome plaids that have already been woven. In any event plaids are to be worn, and they will not at all, as is usually the case, be confined to garments for the members of the younger set.

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A Negligee Easily Made.

Here is quite the easiest made negligee imaginable. It goes something like this: One length of material over each shoulder tacked back and front to form a V-neck. Just at the termination of the V there appears an inverted tuck gathered to secure fit at a slightly raised waist line. The sides are seamed well up to the waist, then onward they are left open to provide the garment with a modishly comfortable sleeve. Really it is the simplest thing imaginable, and the most fetching when completed.

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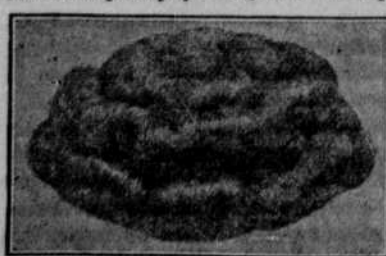
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