

# Viewpoint

## THE BERNHARDT RUCHE.



THE DOUBLE RUCHE THAT HIDES THE CHIN HAS TAKEN THE PLACE OF THE MEDICI COLLAR.

BY ANNE RITTENHOUSE.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

PARIS, July 18.—There have been as many innovations in neckwear as in sleeves and skirts during the last year.

Mme. Paquin started the fashion for the high-standing collar when she attached one of lace to the gown she wore at her opening day a year ago. The fashion has a way of following Mme. Paquin's personal clothes and so fashion took up the square-boned collar of lace that framed the face and left the neck bare.

At first it was difficult to wear because it did not flare sufficiently at the back to keep clear of the hair, but that defect was soon remedied and its followers in muslin were worn by the thousands. It has been many years since any piece of neckwear has been as popular as this high muslin collar with its hemmated edge.

But exclusive fashion became a bit weary of the thousands of muslin affairs and demanded something new. Callot in his desire to give his clients a ruche of colored tulle which was put into the partly low neckband and stood well away from the head, far out over the shoulders.

The New Kind of Ruche.

This invention for the neck did not get along very well. The women who tried it were not exactly pleased with

it and they began by moderating its thickness and then abandoning it. But later in the season they returned to it with quite a show of approval and at the present moment in both Paris and London it is frequently worn by the best dressed women.

The newest version of it is extremely difficult to wear, but very smart. If it had a name, it would be called the Bernhardt ruche because it is exactly like the ruche the actress has exploited through several decades of her life. It needs her slender face above it, but I fear many women will not take that into consideration.

The ruche is between three and six inches high and often hides the chin. It is put into a straight neck band and, therefore, has no dip in the front. It is made of closely pleated net or lace or organdie. When it was fashioned before it was made of a material called crepe lisse. When a large hat is worn with it tipped well down over the right eye there is precious little of the face to be seen. One could dance through a masquerade party without being recognized.

Small Hats With Tall Ruffs.

Few women are wearing the merry widow type of hat, however, with this ruff. The popular shape is a moderate sized sailor with a round crown.

Around this crown is a wreath of huge pannels, and there is an additional pannel pinned high on the shoulder against the Bernhardt ruche.

By the way, this touch is quite the thing over here. A brilliantly colored flower placed against the collar bone on the right side or the left.

## VEGETABLES FOR CHILDREN.

The feeding of very little children is always a harassing problem to the young mother in summertime. Some vegetables are very good for little folk; others are distinctly dangerous in warm weather when digestive questions must be considered with special care. All children should be trained to eat vegetables from the very beginning, for unless the taste has been formed in early years the average child and young person in the teens will pass over all the vegetables offered at dinner, with the exception perhaps of potato, eating in consequence a good deal more meat than is necessary or desirable.

Even as young as two years old the child can safely be given small portions of most vegetables that are thoroughly cooked and not too highly seasoned. But the vegetables must be very well cooked and soft enough to be mashed soft with a fork. A good plan is to force the mashed vegetable through a sieve and mix it with a little cream.

Make a little mound of the cream-

moistened mixture and serve upon it the poached egg or bit of chopped meat which forms the staple of the child's dinner. Cut up chicken served on a mound of well cooked rice usually pleases even a capricious youthful appetite. Poached egg on a bed of spinach, called invitingly "bird's egg in the nest" will tempt a child to eat an otherwise despised egg.

Peas, potatoes, string beans, spinach and asparagus tips may be given to even a very young child. Onions, carrots, parsnips and beets should not be given under the fifth year. Some vegetables there are which should never be included in a young child's diet, and these are cabbage, eggplant, celery, radishes, green corn, cucumbers and tomatoes.

Lettuce is none too beneficial to the youthful digestion, and should never be served to a child with the highly seasoned dressings that appeal to older appetites.

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The very latest thing in rolling collars is shown here. This is called the Gladstone and is, of course, of white linen. With it is worn a soft, knotted tie of silk in any desired shade.

Corset-pointed and basqued corsages suggest that we may return to the tight-fitting bodice before long.

## TODAY'S HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

By Mary Lee.

### Making Soap.

While the custom of making household soap has become almost a lost craft, there are still persons who make their own toilet soaps. It is by no means a difficult or unpleasant occupation.

Any hard white soap, such as castile or curd, can be used as a foundation for toilet soaps. Once a woman finds the ingredients that agree with her skin she can use them regularly in making soap that will preserve and beautify her complexion.

For instance, glycerin is excellent for sensitive skins, but gives a burning sensation to others. Honey soap is generally good, and in a double boiler—say, one pound, by way of experiment. To this is added two ounces each of oil and honey and half an ounce of any preferred essential oil for perfuming. This should be boiled for ten minutes, then poured away to cool. When half cold beat in the white of an egg. Pour into molds, and when the soap is hard it is ready for use.

A pure borax soap is very handy around the house as well as in the bathroom. It is used when a common household soap might be thought too strong, as for wiping spots from paint or for delicate color or for washing fine china or glassware. It will also make with warm water a splendid suds for washing flannels and washable silks.

Three ounces of borax are dissolved in two cups of boiling water and stirred into two pounds of any hard white soap shaved fine. This is put over the fire and simmered until the ingredients jelly. Then it can be poured into a pan, and when cold is ready for use.

Jostine soap will keep the hands in good condition and heal rough and chafed skin. To make it cut up a pound of castile soap and melt with a gentle heat, adding just enough water to keep it from burning. Stir continuously while it melts. Put into a bowl, and when nearly cold mix in a teaspoon of oatmeal. Beat thoroughly and put away to harden.

To make it a pound of castile soap is dissolved in three cups of water, and one ounce of iodine of potassium. Put all in a double boiler and melt. Mix with two cups of water. This soap is said to be good for reducing flesh, also for minor skin diseases. Sulphur soap is also good for the face and the skin. This is very much like the iodine soap, except that one-quarter ounce of four of sulphur is added to the iodine. Any preferred perfume may be added.

Making soaps at home means not only a saving of money, but one can always be sure the article is absolutely pure.

## FOREIGN FASHIONS FOR AMERICANS

BY LILLIAN E. YOUNG.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

PARIS, July 18.—There are certain dresses which, were they described in books, would be given fitting environments, both scenic and in accord with the wearer's character and personality.

For instance—the adventures. She is invariably discovered on a moonlit balcony in black lace preferably, and always with a red rose thrust some place. It doesn't seem to make much difference whether the rose is at her neck or her waist, so long as there is one.

Again, how many, many times has the hero come upon his first glimpse of the heroine in bewitching "white muslin and blue ribbons"? The muslin and ribbons are expected of her, just as the moonlight and black lace and red rose are demanded of the other.

It's quite good fun to conjure up the proper stage setting for the dresses one wears, and a bit more important, the right person to put inside of them. That is why, when I came across the dress of the heroine in bewitching "white muslin and blue ribbons" that had been put in an English novel somebody thought that English and novelists use to it at tea on a vicar's lawn.

It was just the sweet, summery sort of thing that English and novelists use to dress a pretty girl in to have tea on a

## Style Tips About Town.

Slips of pale-colored silk, for wear beneath sheer white frocks, may be had, and such slips add great variety to a limited summer wardrobe. The prettiest of these slips are of pale pink, blue or yellow daphne silk, the bodice portion being merely a low-cut braisier with ribbons, finished at the neck with hem or shallow pleated ruffle. Some young women have worn recently at fashionable summer resorts hats of pale pink or yellow daphne silk braisiers under white frocks, a broad sash of ribbon matching the braisier, while the skirt, unlined with color, showed pure white. The effect, while odd and unusual, was rather charming.

The brassiere having ribbon straps over the shoulders will be much more comfortable if snap fasteners are used at the upper front edges for the adjustment of the shoulder straps. It is not always possible to fasten such a garment at the waist in exactly the same way as when it is worn, and a couple of snap buttons for the adjustment of the shoulder strap when necessary will add much to the wearer's comfort.

The new buttoned boot with a white buckskin top and tan calf toe is very stylish, but it is not correct with a white lingerie frock or a white linen suit. The boot which requires all white young women are wearing in the morning, the buckskin shoe with a very low rubber heel, which may be worn on yacht deck and tennis court as well as for strolling about on lawns or piazzas. But with afternoon costumes, the high-heeled buttoned boot or pump is demanded.

The ideal traveling gown is of mohair, which has the virtue of coolness and a capacity for absorbing the heat and of emerging fresh and uncrumpled from the small trunk. An excellent frock of this sort noted on a train recent was of mole-colored crepe mohair, with a long tunic and a wide-armed bodice over a long-sleeved guimpe of mole-colored indestructible voile. A black hat, mole-colored taffeta parasol and buttoned boots will top to match the frock completed a smart and practical costume.

### Keeping Fish.

The very best way to keep fish in camp (or anywhere without ice) is to scale, clean and behead them; then string them by a cord through their tails and hang them, head downward, in a dry, breezy, shady place. No fish should be kept in a bag, for the heat of the sun or that have begun to soften. It is in neglected fish that ptomaine poison forms.

Do not put fish on a string to keep in water until you start home. It is slow and painful death to them. If you have neither live-box nor net with you, kill and bleed every fish as soon as caught. The flesh will be much firmer and far more palatable. Fish and meat should be hung high in the open, for it is a curious fact that blow-flies work close to the ground and seldom bother food hung over ten feet from the ground, while it is claimed that game or fish suspended at a height of ten feet will be immune from blow-flies.



EMBROIDERED NET MAKES DELICATE LACE PARTY FROCKS.

And have you noticed that the lawn scarcely ever belongs to any one but a vicar?

To get back to the dress (and away from fiction), I found it in a summer goods shop in the Avenue de l'Opera and was immediately struck with the simplicity and charm of it.

It was of white net embroidered and plain, and had a broad girde of moss-green velvet with a pleated heading outlining either edge. A very simple border design was embroidered on the two tunic flounces and across the lower part of the blouse and sleeves. The elbow-length kimono sleeves were finished with a similar ruche and caught up with a wisp of moss-green velvet over the elbow. The modish Parisienne no longer wears her corsage flower in her girde, and so we find it as here shown, fastened at one side of the neck, and with a long, narrow, white ribbon foundation, with its three ruffles over the foot. The two tunic flounces were some fifteen inches deep.

## THE DAILY MENU.

BREAKFAST		
Cantaloupes	Ham and Eggs	Cereal
Griddle Cakes		Coffee
DINNER		
Young Lamb Leg, Baked	Cream Lettuce Soup	
Baked Potatoes	Green Corn	Mint Sauce
	Apple and Nut Salad	Lima Beans
Lemon Ice Cream		Layer Cake
	Coffee	
SUPPER		
Olives	Ham Sandwiches	Nuts
Fruit	Vegetable Salad	Cakes
	Cocoa	

## WHAT GIRLS MAY DO.

### Home-Town Chances Teach Nature Class.

BY JESSIE ROBERTS.

Speaking once more of the opportunities to make money in your home town or village, I have just heard of one girl who made a nice sum last summer by teaching outdoor nature classes.

She had always been fond of birds and flowers and trees, and knew their names and habits. Then she went to work in a city, but her health broke down, and she was forced to come home. Looking for some chance near at hand to earn money she bethought herself of her old love. She brushed up thoroughly, laid in a stock of nature books, and then set out to gather a class. Of course, she knew many people in town, and before each of these, mostly young people or married women with leisure, she laid an attractive program. She also advertised in her town paper and in one published in the nearby village.

Presently she had a large class as she chose to handle. Her plan was to hold outdoor meetings in some designated spot in the country. Now it was by a pond or brook, where aquatic plants and trees and shrubs that love to grow close to the water's edge could be studied. Then a rendezvous in a meadow, in the woods, among the hills. There were bird days and flower days, and also on clear nights, star gazing. There were special studies of the more important birds and plants. At the end of each observation period there was a series of questions, some by the teacher, others by the pupils.

The course was a big success. Not only did it bring in a tidy sum to the teacher, but it started an interest in outdoor things among her townfolk that she wouldn't lose for anything. This season she is going to add insects to her itinerary, particularly beetles, pests, with methods of getting rid of them.

### To Clean Straw Hats.

Scrub them well with a nail brush or toothbrush dipped in one cupful of warm water and one tablespoonful of caustic acid or sulphuric acid, as the latter is safer than the fumes of sulphur. A solution of bi-sulphite of soda is also good for this purpose.

## FASHIONS AND FADS.

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