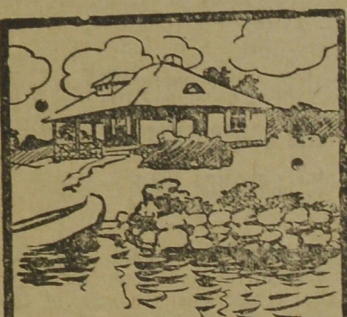


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FLORENCE FAIRBANKS ON FADS AND FASHIONS

New York, Jan. 4.—The holidays are a thing of the past and the season is now in full swing, to remain active until the beginning of Lent. That means that everywhere, at the opera, at the theatre, at the big hotels and restaurants patronized by exclusive society and would-be society, not to mention the various social functions at private houses, the season's most exquisite styles are displayed and may be studied to advantage. The most salient of the characteristic features of present day fashions undoubtedly is the decided favor shown to the slim figure. The gowns and coats seem to be made for the slender woman exclusively and the woman who is not slender finds little sympathy and has to make the best of the situation by dressing in such a manner as to create the illusion of being slimmer than she really is.

Another, rather striking, feature is the re-appearance in many interesting forms of the blouse. The short blouse is seen on many evening gowns and is a relief from the surplice effect so long in vogue. The Russian blouse worn so much this winter for street suits is doubtless responsible for its popularity. It has proved so satisfactory and so generally becoming that its influence is now felt on all classes of clothes, be they suits, gowns or tea-gowns.

The very newest blouse is looped up very much below the waist line, some of them even extending to the hips, and have almost the effect of the little French dresses that children have worn for so long. The short blouses, which start with a high waist line in many cases, droop considerably and have a very full effect, some of them almost concealing the belt or girdle.

Many of the evening wraps this season show this blouse effect, the looped under portion starting half way between the knee and the waist line. This blouse movement on the evening wraps confines itself principally to the back of the garment, however, and with the centre drooping lower than the sides, it is quite graceful in effect.

There are many little secrets to be mastered in the manipulation of the blouse to give it the effect it should have. The fullness at the bottom should be drawn well to the sides, so that it will hang flatly in front and at the back. In heavy materials the fullness is laid in flat pleats. The proper amount of bagginess depends largely upon the individual, for not all figures can stand this extreme fullness. With blouse waists and plaited skirts women do seem to be getting away from the tight, close-fitting effect of skirt and waist and it seems as if they soon would be able to move quite comfortably in their clothes.

The cutaway coat first made its appearance in a very short coat, then gradually became elongated. It was so universally becoming to the slender—that it soon came into general favor even among those not exactly suited for the style. The natural evolution of the cutaway is the redingote. A few of these redingotes were shown in the fall and the only reason they were not adopted more was the openness of the cut did not afford sufficient protection for winter wear and the Russian blouse offered so many advantages with its long straight lines and high collar that it easily won out as first favorite. But with the approach of spring these redingotes will become popular. They have so many advantages to commend them for spring wear and for three piece suits they will be ideal for they are made sufficiently open

to show the gown underneath.

It is extremely doubtful whether we shall see much more fullness in the skirts next season than we have in the seasons past, during which the scant skirt has held sway, for these redingotes do not permit of much fullness beneath them. The only skirt so far which admits of any fullness is the fine flat plaited one, and these are so held in with tapes that it is only a seeming fullness.

Hats continue small and close fitting effects show no sign of abeyance. Long shaped turbans that look like little boats with a tiny bow at the top, front and back have been much worn. Toques of velvet that resemble bathing caps with two velvet rabbit ears standing up in front are very popular.

There is always a suggestion of tulle at this time of the year, and aside from tulle hats which have been introduced for evening there are some small velvet hats with silk Tam o'Shaters crowns and a larger crown of tulle placed over the silk. They are airy and dressy and with a single black jet ornament standing up in front are quite striking.

Scarfs have reached a degree of luxuriousness which is in keeping with the general trend of fashion. Fur as a trimming is the reigning note. Scarfs of chiffon are edged and often striped with fur. Quite a handsome scarf seen the other day consisted of a piece of tulle about one yard wide. The white material was heavily hand-embroidered in silver about half its width. Around the lower edge and ends was a narrow band of skunk.

The prevalence of jewels and rhinestones as trimming finds its influence on the scarf as well. A long black velvet scarf with a border lining cannot be surpassed in richness.

White felt is always more or less worn and a happy example finds itself turned upon one side with a flat black silk bow and two long gray and white plumes dipping over. Velour agreeably expresses itself in mauve turned up stiffly at one side with black satin ribbon tied round it and ending in a bow from which falls a white osprey. Here and there one finds an osprey that divides, one part standing up and the other drooping, but this style of fantasia does not appeal to many women and is little worn.

Broadtail is being used by the wealthy for long wraps, for hats, for handbags and for entire suits. The suits are necessarily very simple.

A pretty dancing frock for a young girl is of white satin, with a draped white lace tunic. The bodice has draperies of fine white lace and trimmings of turquoise satin ribbons.

A charming note on a white hat is a bunch of red satin berries completing a band of skunk fur trimming. Such bunches are pretty, too, nestling in for collars.

Millinery now being prepared for the sunny South shows a great many flowers, also net and ribbon. Satin wool and bright velvets are used in these flowers.

Skunk leads as a trimming fur. Somehow it combines most delightfully with delicate tissues and either dark or delicate colors.

The short dolman mantles of fur seem to be gaining in favor. Usually they are fastened with a single button or buckle, sometimes with tortoise shell or strass stones.

Chicago is to have a labor temple. Louisiana has readmitted her children to the stage.

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BRIDE OF BELMONT GOING BACK TO STAGE

New York, Jan. 4.—Ethel Loraine Belmont, formerly chorus girl, announced today that she will return to the stage and her friends take this as proof that she has broken with Raymond Belmont, son of August Belmont, to whom she was married several weeks ago against the wishes of the Belmont family.

Mrs. Belmont was asked if the reports were true.

"Judge for yourself," was her reply.

She was asked where her husband was.

"I understand he is somewhere in the south," she said. "I haven't seen him lately and I don't expect to."

At the time of her marriage Mrs. Belmont said that nothing would induce her to give up her husband. It was reported she was offered thousands of dollars to break off the match.

Mrs. Belmont is now living in apartments in No. 236 West Fifty-fifth street. She admitted she had not yet signed a contract for her stage appearance.

"But I won't go out of town that certain," she said.

"Why, I'm going to enter my dogs in the Albany Dog Show and the Pekinese Show here in February. I wouldn't miss that for any kind of a contract."

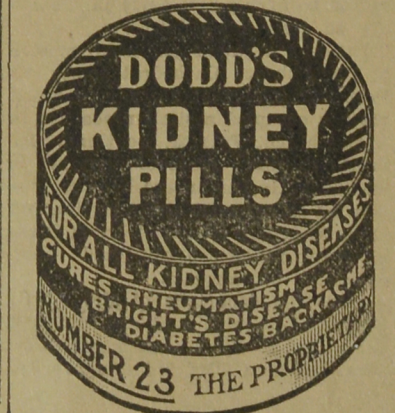
Mrs. Belmont is devoted to her dogs, which are valued at several thousand dollars.

The Chinese celebrate New Year's on Jan. 1, the ages old calendar of the, Mining dynasty having gone down with the fall of the Manchu dynasty. With the Russians and the Chinese celebrating the advent of the New Year at the same time with the rest of us there will be less confusion than there has been in the past. Pay your New Year's bills as early as you can.

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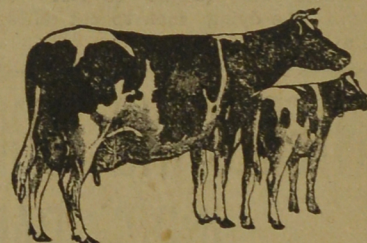
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