Spring Hat Bright Spot on Horizon

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

BUY yourself a new spring hat and turn the dirge of winter into a joyous spring song. Bright spots on the horizon are the fashion "firsts" now showing in millinery previews. Which is not figuratively speaking but literally true, for the new hats are going in for color in a big way.

It is to smile at the wee size of many of them. Not much larger than your hand, are early arrivals from Paris. Go hat hunting and prove it for yourself. The less the hat the more the chic, so designers are telling us. How to anchor these diminutive yet eye-filling bits of millinery on the head at just the most fetching lilt and tilt, aye, that's the trick. Ask your milliner. It takes experience to acquire the knack, we admit.

But cheer up. Come veils, to the rescue! They tone up a hat no matter how diminutive and make it look "fit." Veils in countless number adorn the new hats. It is a frolicsome mood they are in, flying every which way, sometimes pretending they are veils when they are really trimming. They make pretty headgear look prettier to the point of fascination.

Flowers, too! Which is important news. To be sure there have been rumors and rumors of flowers but this time milliners declare they are a sure thing. It is not only that "flowers is flowers" on the new hats, but really and truly news about them is their novel positioning — perky bouquets dropped atop crowns or slanted athwart forehead lines at dashing incline or posing on bandeaux or standing at attention at the front, thus the new flower treatments repeat and repeat.

While we started out telling of the tininess of some of the new hats, please do not conclude that every new spring model has been reduced to postage stamp size. On the contrary some of the smartest numbers on the style program have brims. Shallow-crowned sailors are all the go, especially the Breton types which are shown in felt or stitched silk, and the latest swagger note is the Breton made of gay patent leather. Then, too, the hat with a visor made of silk, quilted or stitched, is very popular. Young girls are charmed with the idea of the new "Rose of the Ranch" hat with its wide round rolled-up brim and that which captures fancy most of all, its chin strap of fancy cord. Also in this class is the new Argentina type which likewise boasts a chin strap. As to the new swagger soft mannish felts, their vogue is assured.

We are following up our statement about hats of Lilliputian size by including two such in the accompanying illustration. To the right in group is a Paris model which goes to verify this new trend. It is a toque of dotted grosgrain, trimmed at the back with a feather and a veil which is not a veil. However, this bow of open mesh conveys an important message of veiling tied in bows and we might add matching bows at the throat are cited in fashion reports. To the left is another wee toque as fashion decrees for spring. A flange of geraniums and the inevitable little veil do the trimming act.

The off-the-face hat above proclaims the existing flair for gay color. It is a bright Chinese red straw. Band and bow are of black belting ribbon. The print gown is black and white.

A very smart shallow navy straw Breton concludes the group. The bouquet atop the crown and the inset about the headline are made of multi-colored leather.

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DINNER JACKET

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Wear a dinner jacket wth your slim-skirted formal print frock if you would look up-to-the-instant good style. White cotton pique is considered ever so smart for the dinner jacket. Indeed, these white washable jackets are proving quite the fad of the immediate moment. A white cotton pique dinner jacket, flared at the hips, adds a tailored note to a printed silk crepe frock as here shown. The dress has splashy flowers of red and blue on white with a decolletage cut high in front and low in back.

New Hats Exhibit Varied Sources of Inspiration

The new hats exhibit very definite but also varied sources of inspiration. A collection of one designer will show the influence of several different periods and contrasting styles. Talbot, for instance, while seeking ideas for her new berets in supple shirred rayon velvet from the portraits of Dante, has adopted for her new fur toques the Russian and Asiatic styles with a pointed and sometimes folded crown.

CHINESE MODE SEEN IN PARIS FASHIONS

China put an oriental sign on the new spring mode shown in 1936 fashion displays.

Chinese lacquer red appeared in trimmings, Chinese motifs marked belt buckles and Chinese figures were stamped on prints.

Many black afternoon frocks were designed along simple, highnecked lines, suggestive of oriental suavity. Some black dinner frocks were topped by knee-length coats of flower printed black cire silk, whose cut showed Chinese inspiration.

A slender silhouette, high neckline and accented shoulderline, marked by big topped sleeves gathered into the armhole, distinguish the Paris profile shown so far.

Waists are normal and busts are definitely outlined.

Smartest Black Costumes Touched With Vivid Colors

Bright touches either as trimming or in the way of accessories are dramatizing the season's smartest black costumes. Perhaps it will be embroidery done in vivid colored yarns or a row of striking red buttons or insets of red patent leather. As to accessories the most striking item is the new gloves which are being shown in high colors including red, green, dubonnet and the natural chamois shade is especially sponsored by smart Parisiennes.

Hearts of Fur Are Now Worn on Sleeves of Stylists

A sentimental wave has overtaken fashion in Paris. Women now literally wear their hearts on their sleeves—made of fur. Hats and gowns are perfumed. You can spray the padding with your own scent or with different scents on various occasions.

For evenings, too, you can increase your femininity by wearing little frilled tulle caps, which serve as a chignon.

Taffeta for Evening

Lots of taffeta is being shown for evening just now. There are pencil-slim taffeta frocks, and there are billowy models. Slim, black taffeta with self-ruchings of clipped material is a favorite. Usually this is done with a very deep decolletage, both in front and back. White taffeta with glittering touches is liked, and for southern wear there are taffeta frocks in pale pink and blue.

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Kidnaping Laws.

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF. —Do you remember the feverish, the almost hysterical eagerness to make kidnaping a capital offense which swept legislature on legislature—Missouri and California and other states besides—after the Lindbergh baby was stolen? You must remember; it wasn't long ago.

And now will some bright little boy or girl tell the rest of the class just how many kidnapers, who were tried, convicted and condemned under these laws, have been legally put to death since then?

Irvin S. Cobb

And does anyone seriously believe that anywhere in the Union, Bruno Hauptmann would today stand appreciably closer to the electric chair, had not child-murder been added to the other hideous crime of child-stealing?

We're a great people for laws—not for enforcing laws; dearie me, no, we're much too tender-hearted for that rough stuff—but just for having nice ornamental laws on the statute books.

Let's see how many more we enact before the spring thaw comes.

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Old "Uncle Wilbur"

SO THE ex-kaiser is getting on toward eighty. It seems only yesterday when I was one of three American correspondents with the invading German forces in 1914. Among ourselves we wanted to be able to refer freely to our imperial host without giving offense to anybody in his army. So we twisted Emperor Wilhelm Hohenzollern into "Uncle Wilbur Hennebury of Chambersburg, Pa.," and went about speaking of him as one to whom we were indebted for diverse favors but whose policies and methods frequently were open to criticism.

To the world today he's the woodchopper of Doorn; to the suppressed royalists of the Vaterland he's still, I suppose, the all-highest. But so long as I can remember those mad days in Belgium and France, he'll be "Uncle Wilbur," a good fellow while he had it.

Maybe if he hadn't figured his divine right was better than the devastating left hook of world opinion he might still be the all-ages heavyweight champion of European royalty. And there might be more European royalty than there is.

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Reviving the Old

I WALKED into a beer parlor today, but, if that was the parlor, I'd hate to visit the pantry—and there in front of the mirror was an old friend—a friend I hadn't seen for full thirty years. It was a framed sign reading as follows: "Don't ask us to charge. The Light Brigade charged and look at what happened to them."

Now then, if I could only run across the one which says: "All Nations welcome except Carrie Nation," and a free lunch counter featuring whole pickled pigs-feet.

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Wrestling As an Art

EVERY time I go to a so-called wrestling contest, I say to myself that, if only we revived the ancient Roman sport of matching gladiators to murder one another publicly, no building anywhere could hold the multitudes that would flock to the blood-lettings.

It can't be the posing, posturing, cheap acting, deliberate fouling, obvious hippodroming, the fixed victories and the faked defeats that bring the crowds swarming about the mastodonic masters of the manly art of self-pretense, these blubber-laden practitioners of the pleasant science of mayhem.

All the cruel agony can't be make-believe, all the seeming suffering isn't rehearsed beforehand. That's what makes the business pay. The creak of the dislocated ankle and the brisk snap of the splintering knee-joint, the scream as a brutal thumb gouges at a tortured eyeball—it's so much music to the popular ear.

That reminds me I must see about getting my tickets for this week's bouts. I hear the house is sold out. That's no way to treat a regular customer.

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Stifling the Urge

IT'S almost time for the master tailors to announce that this year men will wear bright colors. They do that regularly and nothing ever comes of it except vain longings for us, poor cowardly worms that we are. Being a race of 'fraid-cats, we'll go right on encasing ourselves in garments suitable for pallbearers at a Dunkard funeral.

I'm typical of the whole thwarted male species. My impulse is to go pick out something suitable for a fancy vest and then have a whole suit made of it. Right now I've got my eye on a nobby checked pattern in black and white squares that would make me look a good deal like a marble-tiled entry hall. But will I indulge my stifled natural cravings? Don't make me laugh!

It's not one another's scorn we fear. It's our womenfolk. Well, if you were a hen and the poor foolish rooster had surrendered to you all his gay feathers, alwong with most of his other perquisites, would you give 'em back to him?

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