

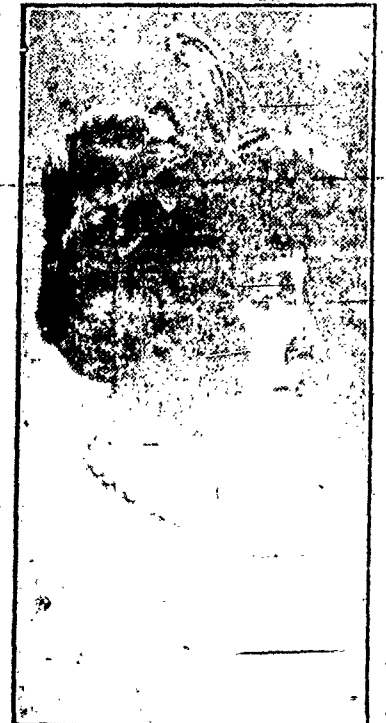
A TITLED NURSE

Awarded a Silver Medal by the King of Italy.

HELPED MESSINA REFUGEES.

The Mother of Two Sons, the Duchess of Aosta is One of the Chief Inspectors of Italian Red Cross and Personally Nursed Sick Soldiers.

The King of Italy has awarded the silver medal for military valor to the Duchess Helene of Aosta whose husband is a lieutenant general in the Italian army. Although a daughter of the Bourbon-Ottomino house, she is the daughter of an English princess, having been born at Twickenham and married at Kingston-Thames. She is noted for her beauty and her intelligence.



DUCHESS OF AOSTA

has been associated with the Italian Red Cross on the battlefield in two wars and in the terrible Messina earthquake.

The military medal goes to her not only for her bravery in caring for wounded soldiers under fire, but for nursing those suffering from cholera since the beginning of the Italian campaign against Austria. She has been active in Red Cross work in the present war since Italian troops took the field and now is one of the chief inspectors of the organization in Italy and a wonderfully energetic worker who permits nothing to interfere with her war duties.

The Duchess Helene gave the service in 1911, when she went to Tripoli with Italian troops and took charge of the Red Cross hospital there. She was also one of the first to carry aid to the sufferers of the Messina disaster and stayed among the refugees until she had been provided for.

The duchess is the daughter of the Count of Paris, head of the Bourbon-Ottomino family, whose secretary she was as a girl. She was married in 1895. Her father, the Duke of Apulia, was only sixteen years old when the war began and was a student at a military school. He enlisted as a private soldier and won his corporal's stripes on the front.

Her second son, the Duke of Salaparuta is only fifteen and frequently accompanies her to the front when she goes to inspect hospitals.

Blaney Stones.

One cupful sugar, one-half cupful butter, one cupful milk, one and one-half cupfuls flour, one cupful chopped walnuts, one cupful chopped raisins, one-half cupful sour milk, one-quarter teaspoonful cloves, one teaspoonful cinnamon, one-quarter teaspoonful nutmeg, one teaspoonful soda and one teaspoonful vanilla. Cream butter and sugar, add eggs, milk and extract, stir into dry ingredients and beat thoroughly. Drop by spoonful on to greased pan and bake a delicate brown.

Soldier Blue to Replace Navy.

Soldier blue is seen just now so often that it seems probable this color, more becoming than any in time wholly supersede the dark marine tone. Partly because of dye shortage, partly because anything remotely resembling military dress is almost sure of success, this color is being used a great deal and a very pleasant change it makes. Organza blouses trimmed with fine white lace collars and cuffs, silk dresses and street suits are all to be found of soldier blue.

Graham Muffins.

Graham muffins made with baking powder. One cupful graham flour, one cupful of flour, one-quarter cupful sugar, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, one teaspoonful salt, one cupful milk, one egg well beaten, one tablespoonful melted butter. Sift together thoroughly the flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Add gradually the milk, egg and butter. Bake in hot buttered gem pans twenty-five minutes.

Spring Blouses.

Batiste and cotton voile are well represented for waists. Plain colored linens and white ground linens with fancy stripes in color are used. For solid colors copanibac, rose, olive, wistaria, gold and champagne hold the lead.

SMALL MILLINERY.

How to Make a Little Girl's Spring Hat.

What is prettier than the mushroom shape for a little girl's hat? Not only can it be easily made by the unskilled mother, but it will be assumed a second and even a third season, for the mushroom never goes out of style in juvenile millinery.

No matter how clever you are with the needle it is always the best plan to buy the shape in the shop, then cover it with the same material used for the little girl's coat.

The crown covering cut a straight line of goods wide enough to cover both top and bottom of the band and give a little extra to allow for the band and ribbon.

See the crown together on the wrong side, white batting being through the crown and sides, the ribbon being held as silk or velvet. Then turn in the top edge on the wrong side and press with iron, steam being used.

Use a small iron to press the crown and sides together, the ribbon being held in place by the steam.

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FOR YOUNG FOLKS

Sleepy Time Story About an Interesting Little Insect.

HOW IT IS FED AND REARED

Queer Home in Which It Begins Its Career—Baby Food That Would Not Appeal to Children—How a Small Boy Became a Hero.

This evening, said Uncle Ben to Little Ned and Polly Ann, I am going to tell you about

WASPS AND A BOY.

Once when I was a small boy I knew a little fellow named Tommy Tompkins.

Tommy was a wonderful boy, and he did his best to make the rest of us think he was one.

We had an old chicken house where a lot of wasps had built their homes. Every spring the wasps had a great time building more cells and new houses.

In early summer the mother wasp would fly in and lay her eggs in a hole in the wall.

And when the wasp had laid her eggs she would fly out and get more food for her babies.

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THIS QUAINT—EVIDENT.

A Girlish Model For High School Graduates.



A GIRL'S MODEL

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MADE OVER GOWNS

Some Tips For the Real Home Seamstress.

HOW TO FRESHEN OLD TOGS.

Various Tricks That Clever Dressmakers Use to Renovate Old Clothes So They Look Positively Parisian—How to Clean-Rumpled Finery and Lace.

A pair of shoes have served only half their usefulness when you take them to the cobbler to be resoled for the first time. With the new soles and a little care they will serve as long a term of usefulness as that which they have already served.

So with the frock that hangs abandoned in the back of your clothes closet. The first time you put it on you were ashamed of its ragged condition. The sleeves were frayed at the wrists, and a button was missing at the front, and there was a spot in the front panel. So you determined that the dress was done for.

But unless one is riding in wealth she will find it to her advantage to get out that old frock and take an inventory of what remains in good condition. Would she give \$2 for a dress that would wear as long as that dress has already worn, perhaps without any of the things that are so attractive about it?

Well, she can't give it more than a few dollars, but she can be rest assured that the dress can be restored to its former glory.

Of course, the dress is in little good condition, but there is a way to make it look like a new one. It is a simple matter to make a dress look like a new one.

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ULTRA FOR SPRING.

Fetching Frock For Morning Wear at Home.



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SPRING NATTINESS.

Piquant Turban Made Up of Grosgrain Navy Silk.

Straight, flat necks, like the twelfth century plumes, are one of the newest fashions for frocks. The perky cocks

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