

Lovely New Wash Prints Make It Fun to Sew for Children

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



DOTING mothers that take pride in decking out little daughters at first hint of spring in refreshingly colorful prints, hurry up and take a look at the lovely materials just out. We'll wager that at very first peep at the new wash fabric showings you will be convinced that there's nothing in the world you so long to do this very minute as to set the spring sewing program in motion.

Time was when buying cotton and other washable weaves was more or less a gamble. In those days the shrink and fade bugaboo was forever taking the joy out of life. Now in these modern times, because of scientific processing that carries with it a guarantee of non-fade and non-shrink, the "will it wash" query no longer challenges the patient-tried salesperson.

It certainly is a grand and glorious feeling for mothers to know that the dress they have so painstakingly made will not prove a case of "love's labor lost" in that hems won't have to be frantically let down nor sleeve lengths altered, neither will buttons have to be set over after the dress comes back from the wash. It's a wise mother that asks for guaranteed wash materials to make up for her child.

Then, too, little daughters come in for a share of good fortune in that no longer will they have to be submitted to the humiliating ordeal of wearing a dress bought, or made, that is a size too large in order to allow for shrinking.

This year attractive broadcloths

with floral overprinting are catching the eye. Add wearableness to their prettiness and you will readily see why this fabric is so popular. Tailored printed shantung broadcloths and charming striped cottons in fast colors all preshrunk to keep their original fit permanently are selling fast as they can be measured off in dress lengths.

If you are looking for wash materials that carry a promise of wearability, washability, dependability and likability consider the dainty little frocks pictured. Each is fashioned of sanforized-shrunk fabric. The merry little three-year-old picture to the right wearing a broadcloth dress with floral overprinting is laughing at the thought of the cunning patch pockets that draw up and tie with pique cording. She is proud, too, that her dress ties in the back with a big bow of self-fabric. The dress is trimmed with a pleating of pique around the neck and sleeves. Though the closing is in the back, there are three small red buttons down the front of the bodice.

Sister Ann who sits in the window (centered in the group) wears a tailored shantung broadcloth dress trimmed with hand-fagoted pique collar and cuffs.

The dress for the "between" age, shown to the left, takes on somewhat of a party air. The soft blue and pink colorings of the floral striped broadcloth (so fine it has a sheen like silk) is delicate and becoming to blonde or brunette. There is a fashionable inset corselet belt, thus raising the waistline so that the skirt will swing gracefully if or when she dances.

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Novel Knit Items



The idea of a sweater with a hood carries big appeal. This gay cardigan is knit of a heavy yet soft yarn, and on large needles so that the fetching checked pattern develops magically fast. Such pretty combinations as red with white, black with green, wine with post-man blue are suggested. The solid colored hood is knitted separately. It may be worn either as a hood or collar. The little headpiece below is a streamlined version of the closefitting knitted hood. However, it eliminates all superfluous bulk, and is very attractive.

Costume Sweaters Spring Into Style

A new type of sweater, which is neither a tailored sports style nor an elaborate evening affair, has sprung into fashion. These are the sweaters that combine with separate skirts to make smart street frocks. They are most attractive when chosen in a color to match that of the skirt.

Made of novelty knits and ribbed yarns, they are notable for their unusual shoulder and yoke detail. Some of them have flapped pockets in the Schiaparelli manner with buttons of gold nuggets or shiny flat gold circles on the pocket flaps and down the front. Some of them fasten with bright enameled or gold colored slide fasteners.

Skating Ensemble Is Very Fetching

A skating ensemble is made of soft white yarn hand-embroidered with bright wool. There's a snug white cardigan sweater with peasant figures embroidered on panels on either side of the front opening, and matching white mittens with a single design on their back. The close-fitting hood ties under the chin and has embroidered wings like a Dutch cap standing out on either side of the face.

Picturesque Wraps
Inspired by the picturesque fashions of the South in Civil war days is the group of evening wraps shown by an American designer.

Gray for Day and Evening
From soft dove shades to dark gunmetal tones gray is an important color for every sort of daytime and evening outfit.

Suede Sports Jacket
Fine stitching is the blouse-like detail borrowed by a fitted suede sports jacket to give it a dressy appearance.

Bathroom Bandit

By **ARCHEY C. NEW**
(McClure Syndicate—WNU Service.)

THE bathing hour was at its peak, the vast bathroom, now enjoying that somnolent intermission before the return rush of happy, laughing, wet bodies.

In one of the little cubicles or dressing-rooms, in a cross-section corridor distant from the Boardwalk entrance, a bather stood, enshrouded in a huge towel, listening intently. Down the shadowy passage came the shouts of voices. The lone bather opened the door a few inches and peered out. A young man was running this way. At that moment, the bather, perversely it seemed, elected to toss a very wet bathing-suit into the corridor, hitting the runner squarely on his spick-and-span flannel trousers.

"Oh, I beg your pardon," murmured the bather.

"That's all right. Let me in a minute, will you?"

Without waiting for an answer, the young man crowded into the tiny cubicle and hastily closed the door.

"I like your nerve! Get out of here!"

The intruder, dumfounded, wheeled and faced a very pretty, very wrathful towel-clad lady.

"You'll have to excuse me, sistah," he whispered huskily, "but I can't leave right now. Go right ahead with your toilet. I won't look."

"I will not," she answered hotly. "What do you think this is—a nudist camp?"

"I wouldn't know about that. Wheel I come from, we don't sorta like such goin'-on." He fingered a man's coat and trousers hanging on the wall. "How come these heah clo'es? You—you're not one of those movie stars that weah men's clo'es, are you?"

"I'm not," she told him, tartly. "I—they're—my husband's." And she added, quickly, "You'd better get out before he comes back."

"Great Grief, that sho' is tough." He started to open the door, when again the excited voices drew near. He shut the door.

"What's wrong?" the bather demanded, "are you running away from the police?"

"Gosh, no sistah!" he assured her. "Then what are you afraid of?" she insisted.

"I'm in the darndest jam you evah heard of."

"Tell me about it," she urged.

"I was in bathin' today, too," he explained, "and I checked my valuables like they all do. I went back to the hotel, fo'gettin' to claim my things. I came back heah and when I stepped up to the window to get them, the girl in cha'ge was lyn' inside, with blood on her head and lookin' kind of dopey. I yelled for someone to come, and reached in the window so's to open the door, so's I could help her, when along came a man. He looks around quick, yells for help and seein' me with my arm in the window, accuses me. Somethin' tells me I'd have a ha'd time explainin', so I lammed. And heah I am."

"And you expect me to believe that?" she demanded scornfully.

His eyes, flashing flintily, at that moment made out a glittery object on the floor. He pounced on it.

"Must be scads o' gold in this heah bracelet, ma'am: it's pow'ful heavy." He grinned slyly. "An' I can't be a thief, exactly, else I wouldn't be handin' it back to you."

"Help!" she cried out, suddenly. "Help!" The door flew open, and a score of men and women, with a Boardwalk cop in the forefront, stared eagerly into the tiny room.

"What's the trouble, ma'am?" asked a white-coated attendant.

"This man said you were hunting him for a hold-up," she cried. "He forced his way into my room, to hide."

"So-o?" growled the cop. "Seems to me I've seen this bozo before, eh, bub? Let's see." He reflected briefly. "Ain't you the Curly Wolf?"

"Gosh, no," protested the young man. "I'm no criminal. I—I—"

"Oh, yeah?" sneered the cop. He turned to the attendant. "See if you can get Miss Jennie back here now."

"And, if you don't mind," spoke up the outraged bather, "I'm going to the beach to find my husband."

"Oh, I say, ma'am—" he started to protest, but the girl vanished. Another girl, holding a wet towel to her head, and half supported by an attendant, appeared in the group.

"Who's he?" she asked listlessly. "I never seen him before."

"Why, Miss Jennie," sputtered the cop, "ain't he the hold-up guy?"

"That big beef?" sniffed the girl. "He is not!"

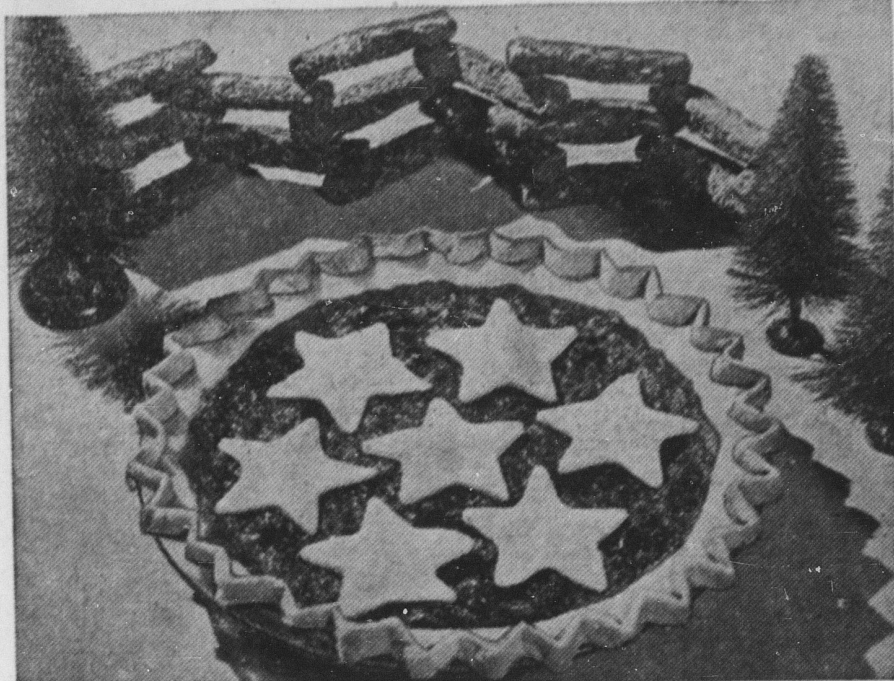
"That's funny!" came an interruption from the white-coated attendant, emerging from the dressing room, holding a man's suit, and scanning his chart with a puzzled air.

"How'd this suit get in there? My book says a lady took this room today—alone."

Jenny snatched at the coat. "That's the little shrimps' coat what slugged me," she shrieked excitedly.

"The little sawed-off worm had a voice like a woman. Showed me a big gold bracelet, used it for knuckles, and hit me with it. I'd a sworn it was a woman . . ."

"I'd swear to it now, damn it all," yelled the cop, light striking him suddenly. "Brazen Bess, the—Gang way! everybody—" and dropping his captive's arm, he streaked for the nearest call-box.



Household News

By **Eleanor Howe**

SERVE A MODERN FRUIT PIE AND A CANDY RAIL FENCE IN HONOR OF LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

For Patriotic Parties

February, with its two famous birthdays, is a grand month for a patriotic party—with novel decorations and unusual foods, to help make it a success.

Lincoln, the biographers tell us, had a keen "sweet tooth." Children could always be sure he'd have a bag of bonbons in his pocket when he dropped in to visit. Fruit pies were favorites with him, too, so you'll be historically correct to feature a fruit pie when you plan your Lincoln's birthday menu.

"Chocolate Fence Rails" are a novel sweet that will pay double tribute to Lincoln's rail splitting fame and his "sweet tooth." Use three of the fence rails tied in a bundle with a bit of red, white, and blue ribbon, for individual table favors at your party.

Everyone knows the significance of cherry pie at a Washington's birthday party, of course, but few people know that cherry pie a la mode has a double historical meaning! George Washington has been credited, by some historians, with being the inventor of the first ice cream freezer.

You'll find suggestions for almost any kind of party you can name, in my booklet "Easy Entertaining." There are ideas for unusual menus, hints on party short-cuts, too, and a store of practical, tested recipes. With Valentine's day and Easter, ahead, and birthdays in the offing, you'll want to add this useful, inexpensive booklet to your kitchen library.

Lincoln's Birthday Menu.
Salad Sandwich Rolls
Potato chips
Olives

Apricot Pie
Magic Chocolate Logs
Coffee

Menu for a Washington's Birthday Party.
Individual Sandwich Loaves
Potato chips
Sweet pickles
Cherry Tarts with vanilla ice cream
Reception Cocoa

Salad Roll Sandwich.
Slit long, plump, soft rolls down the center, not quite through. Scoop out a little of the inside. Brush with melted butter, and heat. Stuff with any desired salad sandwich spread. (Don't try to push the sides of the sandwich together again!) Serve on a lettuce leaf, and garnish with olives.

Magic Chocolate Logs.
1 square unsweetened chocolate
½ cup sweetened condensed milk
¼ teaspoon vanilla
1¼ cup sifted confectioners' (4x) sugar
½ cup coconut (toasted)

Melt chocolate in top of double boiler. Add sweetened condensed milk and stir over rapidly boiling water five minutes or until mixture thickens. Remove from heat. Add vanilla and confectioners' sugar gradually and blend thoroughly. Shape into rolls, two inches long. Roll in toasted coconut. Allow to stand in cold place several hours or until firm. Makes about two dozen.

Apricot Pie.
1½ tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
½ cup sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon butter (melted)
2 cups cooked dried apricots (drained)
½ cup canned crushed pineapple (drained)
1 cup apricot juice
1 recipe pie crust

Combine quick-cooking tapioca, sugar, salt, butter, fruit, and fruit juices; let stand 15 minutes, or while

pastry is being made. Line 9-inch pie plate with about ¼ of pastry, rolled ¼ inch thick, allowing pastry to extend 1 inch beyond edge. Fold edge back to form standing rim. Fill with apricot mixture. Moisten edge of pie with cold water and arrange layout of pastry stars across top. Flute rim with fingers. Bake in hot oven (425 degrees) 10 minutes; then decrease heat to moderate (350 degrees) and bake 35 minutes longer. Cool. Serve with or without whipped cream. For a gala dessert, top with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

Potato Chips.
4 medium sized potatoes
2 or 3 pounds fat
Salt

Pare and cut potatoes into very thin slices. Allow sliced potatoes to stand in ice water until firm (about 1 hour). Heat fat to 375 degrees. Blot potatoes dry with a clean towel and place potato slices in French fry basket. Immerse basket in hot fat by handle. Keep potatoes moving constantly so that the slices do not stick together. Remove basket and drain potatoes on brown paper. Sprinkle with salt. Temperature: 375 degrees; Time: 2 minutes or to desired brownness.

Individual Sandwich Loaves.
Cut 2½-inch rounds from thinly sliced white bread, allowing 4 rounds for each sandwich. Brush one side of each round of bread with soft butter. Leave 1 round of buttered bread plain to be used for the top layer. Spread each of the remaining rounds with a different sandwich filling, varying both the flavor and the color. These two combinations are good.

1. Watercress or shredded lettuce
Ground ham, sweet pickle, and mayonnaise
Deviled egg sandwich spread

2. Olive-nut filling
Minced pimento mixed with softened butter
Sardine sandwich spread

"Frost" the top and sides of each sandwich with cream cheese, moistened to spreading consistency with a little salad dressing. On top, arrange a sprig of watercress and a slice of stuffed olive, to resemble a flower. Serve on lettuce leaf with small, sweet pickles.

Cherry Tarts.
3 cups red pitted cherries (with juice)
¼ cup sugar
2 tablespoons flour
2 tablespoons cornstarch
¼ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon butter

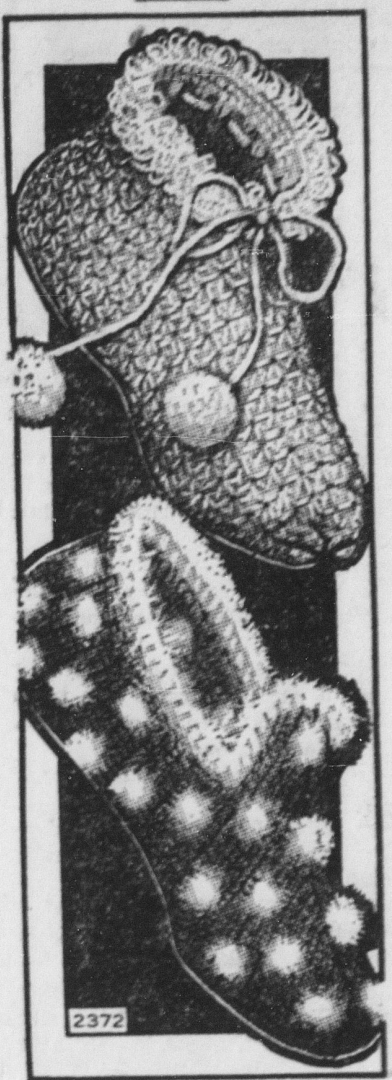
Drain juice from cherries and heat to boiling point. Mix sugar, flour, cornstarch, and salt, and add to the cherry juice. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Cool slightly and add lemon juice, butter and cherries. Pour into baked pastry tart shells. Serve with whipped cream.

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To Revive House Plant
When a house plant, especially a fern, is dying, pour a tablespoon of castor oil around the roots. This will make the plant green and fresh in a short time.

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Pattern 2372

THESE slippers are in easy crocheted with angora popcorn trim—the bed socks in star stitch with loop stitch trim. Pattern 2372 contains directions for making slippers and bed socks in any desired size; illustrations of them and stitches; materials required; photograph of pattern stitches.

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Strange Facts

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Benign Deafness

To eliminate the annual damage of \$500,000 to submarine cables by fishing trawlers off the coast of Ireland, the lines are now buried in the ocean bed by means of a new sea plow that automatically makes a deep furrow, inserts and covers the cable, even at a depth of 2,400 feet.

The record for bell ringing is held by the men who rang, from memory, 21,000 changes of eight bells each in a little more than 12 hours in All Saints' church in Loughborough, England, on Easter Sunday, 1909.

People get so used to seeing their faces reversed in a mirror, with the right side of it on the left and vice versa, that they almost invariably select, when given a choice, a reversed photograph of themselves in the belief it is "the better likeness."

In several British munitions plants, only deaf men are employed in the shot-blasting departments because the roaring, clanging noise would soon make physical wrecks of those with normal hearing.—Collier's.

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