CORONATION HAT SHOW

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With the Coronation only a few weeks away, fashion houses unlock their secrets to give us a glimpse of "hats-to-come" round about June the Second. This one's in gold straw. In a workroom in London, Lady Newborough, one of Britain's leading designers, shows her staff how to get that extra "something" that spells glamour into the new creations.

A close fitting hat in white pique quickly becomes something quite different under skilled hands. On goes part two, made of navy straw, and there you have it. Two for the price of one, combining ingenuity and elegance.

Over to Paris to a mannequin show with the accent on the man. Just to prove that fashion isn't the perogative of the female, French outfitters give every would-be Beau Brunnel his chance as well.

If you don't care for the styles designed for the best dressed men of today, here's a brief glimpse of what you'll be wearing - or mearly wearing - in a few years time. After a look at the future, let's go back a few centuries and take a look at a man about town of those days.