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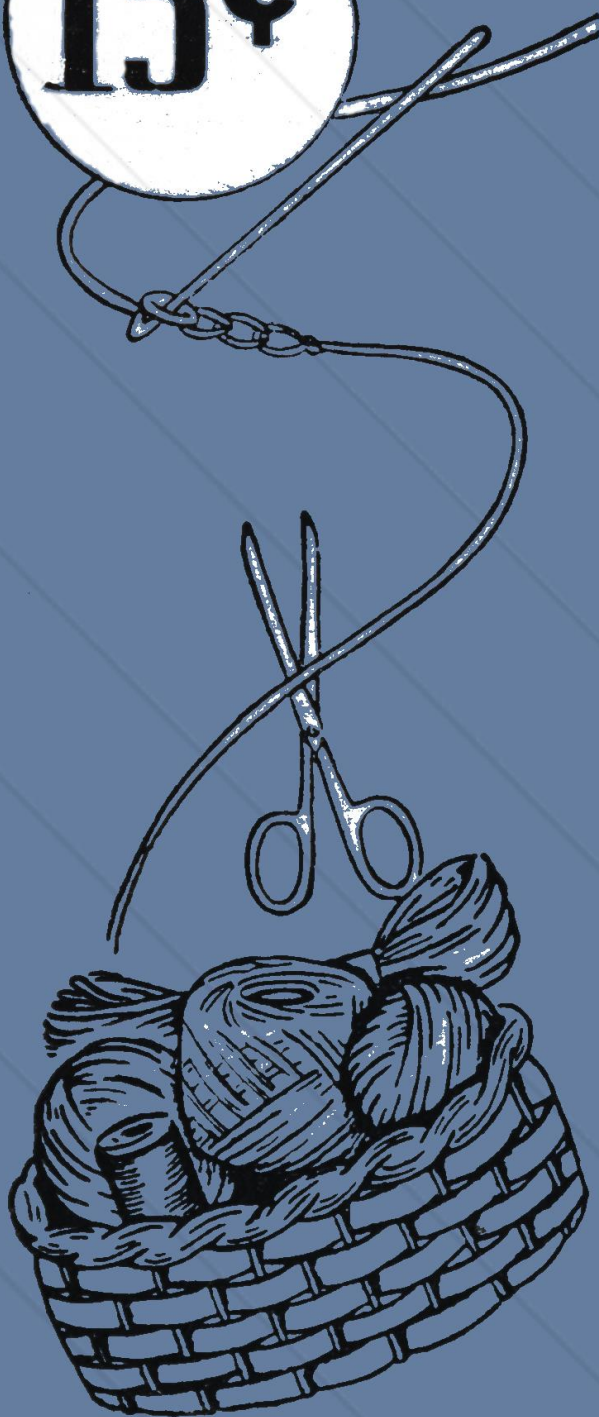
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Can I use my narcissus and hyacinth bulbs to bloom again another winter after blooming this past month? Mrs. D. M., Idaho.

The narcissus, tulip and hyacinth bulbs potted and forced into bloom during the winter and early spring will not be worth bothering with for forcing again. They are all right to plant outdoors. During April or May they may be planted in the grounds in a permanent location. Or, the dry bulbs may be removed from the pots of soil

and stored in a dry place until fall. Planted outdoors, either in the fall or spring, they will come up the following spring and bloom again. They should persist for several years in the garden if properly handled.

How can I raise rubrum lilies successfully? The leaves turn brown and fall off although the flowers bloom out their full time? A. S., Michigan.

The rubrum lily is one form of the Speciosum lily and should do well treated as any other of the stem rooters are handled. Replant the bulbs shortly after they are through blooming in a new place where there is perfect drainage. Before planting the bulbs soak them for a half hour in a solution of Semesan used at the rate of two teaspoonfuls to a gallon of water. After the plants appear in the spring, spray them each week, until the buds form, with bordeaux mixture. In a heavy,

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RUFFLE DOILY

(As Shown on Cover)

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Abbreviations: Ch (chain); sl st (slip stitch); rnd (round); dc (double crochet); sp (space); sc (single crochet); lp (loop); sk (skip).

Starting at center, ch 7, join with sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as a dc), 25 dc in ring, join with sl st in third ch of ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 4, * dc in next dc, ch 1; repeat from * around, join to third st of ch-4, sl st in next st.

Rnd 3: Ch 4, dc in next sp, * ch 1, dc in same sp as last dc, (ch 1, dc in next sp) 4 times; repeat from * around, ending with (ch 1, dc, ch 1) in same sp as last dc, join as in rnd 2. Sl st in next sp.

Rnd 4: Ch 4, dc in next sp, (ch 1, dc in next sp) 5 times, * ch 1, dc in same sp as last dc, (ch 1, dc in next ch -1 sp) 5 times. Repeat from * 3 more times, ch 1, dc in same sp as last dc, (ch 1, dc in next sp) 6 times, ch 1, join as in rnd 2. Sl st in next sp.

Rnd 5: Ch 4, dc in next sp, * ch 1, dc in same sp as last dc, (ch 1, dc in next sp) 3 times; repeat from *

around, ending with ch 1, dc in same sp as last dc, ch 1, join to third st of ch-4.

Rnd 6: (Ch 5, sc in next dc) repeated around, join at base of first ch-5.

Rnds 7 through 14: Sl st to center of first lp, sc in same lp, * ch 5, sc in next lp, and repeat.

Rnd 15: Ch 1, 9 sc in each lp around, join.

Rnd 16: Sl st in each of 5 sc, sc in same place as last sl st, (ch 7, sk 4 sc of next lp, sc in next sc) repeated around, join.

Rnds 17 and 18: Sl st to center of first lp, sc in same lp, (ch 7, sc in next lp) repeated around, join.

Rnd 19: 11 sc in each lp around, join.

Rnd 20: Sl st in next 6 sc, sc in same place as last sl st, (ch 8, sk 5 sc of next lp, sc in next sc) repeated around, join.

Rnds 21, 22, and 23: Repeat rnd 17 with ch-8, then ch-9 lps.

Rnd 24: 13 sc in each lp around, join.

Rnd 25: * Sk 1 sc, sc in each of next 12 sc; repeat from * around, join.

Rnd 26: Sl st to center of lp, sc in same place, (ch 9, sc in sixth sc of next lp) repeated around, join.

Rnd 27: 10 sc in each lp around, join.

Ruffle: Rnd 1: (Ch 5, sk 1 sc, sc in next sc) repeated around, join.

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Rnds 2 through 5: Sl st to center of next lp, (ch 5, sc in next lp) repeated around, join.

Rnds 6 through 10: Repeat rnd 2 with ch 6 lps.

Rnds 11 through 15: Repeat rnd 2 with ch 7 lps.

Rnd 16: Ch 8 lps.

Rnd 17: Ch 9 lps.

Rnd 18: Ch 10 lps, join and cut thread.

Starch doily, or dip in syrup of $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar and $\frac{2}{3}$ cup water boiled together for 3 minutes. Pin center in true circle on padded surface and form ruffles as doily stiffens.

Baby Soaker With Detachable Bib

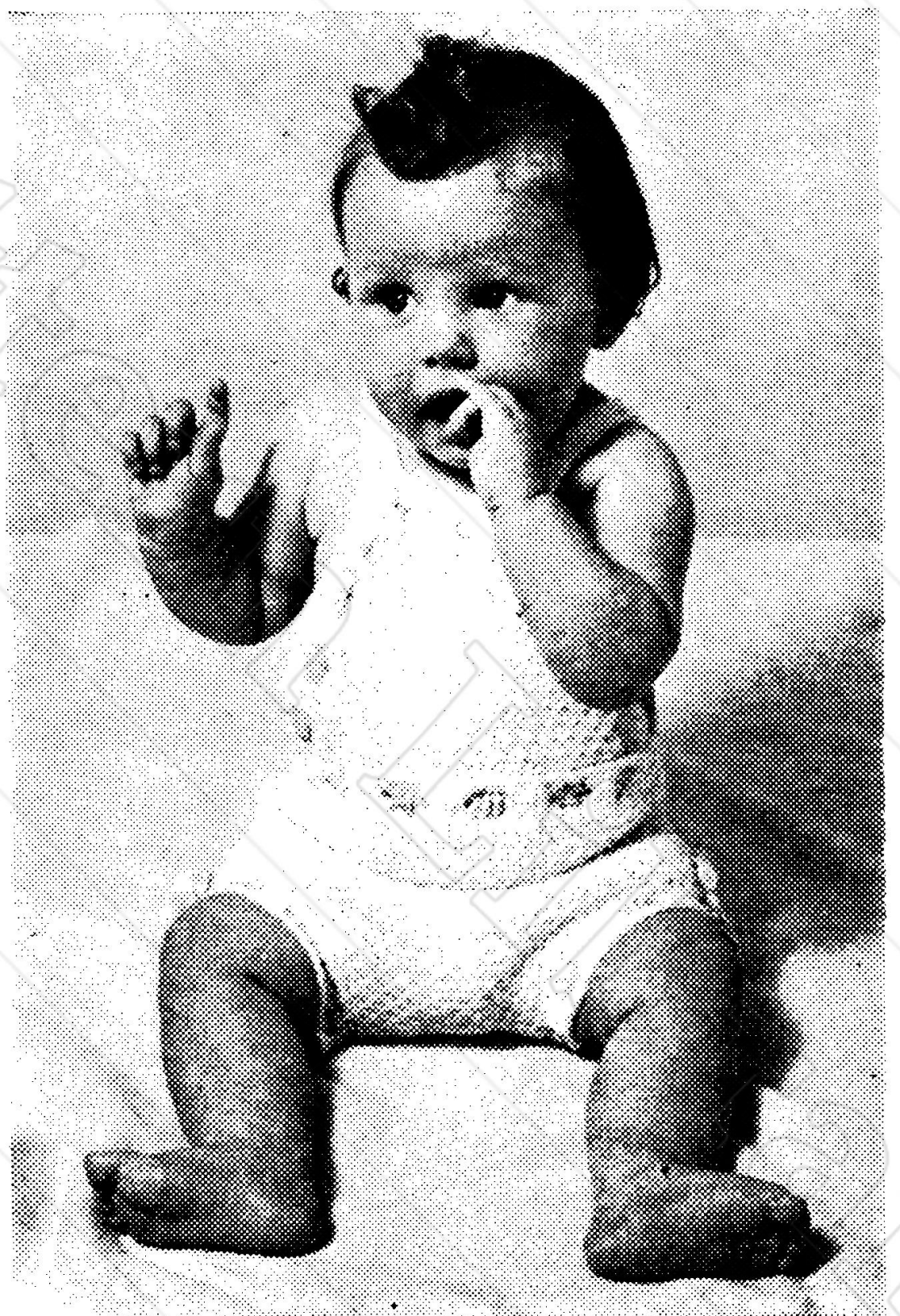
Knit this soaker from two skeins of Kentucky All Purpose rayon yarn. It makes an ideal gift for the new baby in your family or for a friend's baby. The desired color of ribbon may be added at the last minute. You will need a pair each of number 3 and 4 knitting needles; 1 yard, 4 inches of $\frac{1}{4}$ inch elastic; 3 yards of one-inch ribbon.

Abbreviations: Sts (stitches); k (knit); p (purl); tog (together); O (yarn over).

Gauge: $5\frac{1}{2}$ sts equal one inch
8 rows equal one inch

SOAKERS—Work begins at front waist. With number 3 needles, cast on 48 sts. Work in ribbing of k 1, p 1, for 3 rows. Next row, to form holes for elastic, * k 1, k 2 tog, O, p 1, repeat from * across row. Next row, continue ribbing as before, working a p st in O of previous row. Work 2 more rows of

ribbing, then change to number 4 needles and work in pattern st as follows:



Row 1: K (right side of work).

Row 2: * K 1, p 1, repeat from * across row.

Row 3: K.

Row 4: * P 1, k 1, repeat from * across row.

Repeat these 4 rows for pattern st throughout soakers. When work measures 5 inches from waist edge, begin shaping for legs.



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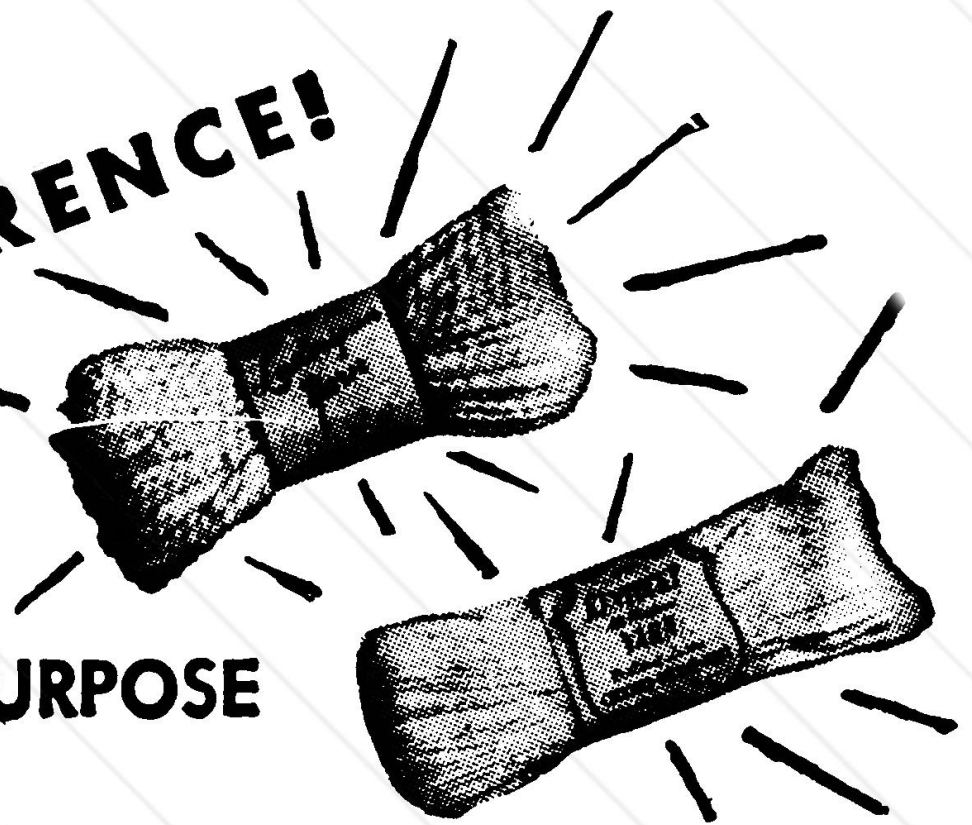
back. Work even until back measures 5 inches from last increase. To shape back waist, work to within 12 sts from end of next row, turn, work back to within 12 sts from end of row, turn, work to end of row. Change to needles

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Leg Ribbing: Using number 3 needles, k up 58 sts around entire leg. Rib in k 1, p 1, for 2 rows. If desired, work 1 row forming holes for ribbon insert; if plain rib is preferred, substitute 1 row rib. Rib for 2 more rows. Bind off loosely. Work other leg ribbing to correspond.

Finishing: Join side seams. If desired to cover elastic with ribbon, sew

edges of a 38-inch length of one-inch ribbon together to form a ½ inch tube. Using a bodkin, run 17 inches of elastic through ribbon tube, sewing ends of elastic securely 6 inches from ends of tube. Weave ribbon through holes in waist, beginning at center back, tie in back. If ribbon-elastic is desired in leg ribbing, make a 22 inch ribbon tube, run 8¼ inches of elastic through tube, sewing ends 5 inches from end of tube. Weave through holes beginning at seam. Tie ribbon into bows.

Bib—Using number 4 needles, cast on 38 sts. Work in pattern st, decreasing 1 st at beginning of each row until 12 sts remain; bind off. Using number 3 needles, k up 70 sts around sides and top edges of bib. Rib in k 1, p 1 for 1 row. Next row to keep ribbing flat, increase 1 st in each of 2 sts on either side of top edge of rib. Next row rib uniformly. If ribbon trim desired, work next row to form holes; if plain rib desired, substitute 1 row ribbing. Work 2 more rows ribbing. Bind off loosely. For bib waist ribbing, use number 3 needles and k up 48 sts along lower edge of bib, including rib on edge. Rib in k 1, p 1 for 2 rows. Next row, work to form holes. Work 2 more rows of ribbing; bind off.

Shoulder Straps—K up 7 sts from rib at top corners of bib. Rib in k 1, p 1 until strap measures 10 inches. Make holes as follows: K 1, k 2 tog, O, p 1, k 2 tog, O, k 1. Rib for 2 rows; bind off.

To join bib to soaker, beginning at center back, run ribbon through holes of waist ribbing and through strap holes at same time, then on front, weave ribbon through front and bib at same time. If desired, weave a 13-inch tube of ribbon, without elastic, through holes in bib top, sewing ends on wrong side of waist ribbing.

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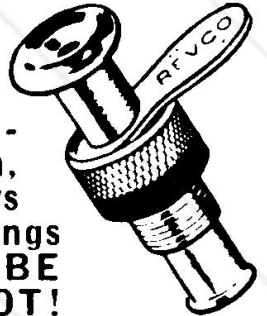
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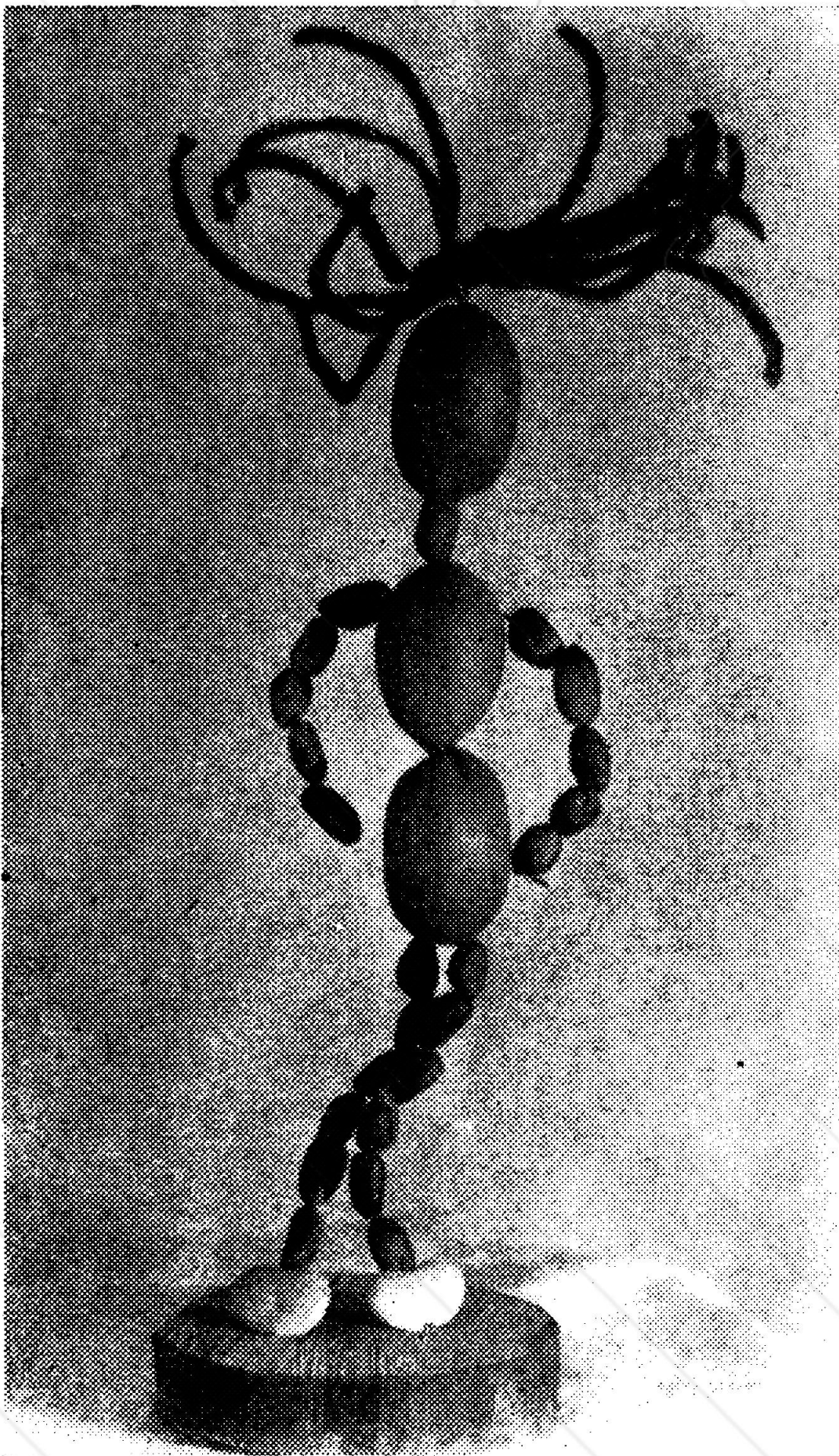
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To make the doll, select smooth pecans, and if old and dry, soak in warm water for an hour or so to prevent shells from cracking when holes are made. With large needle, ice pick

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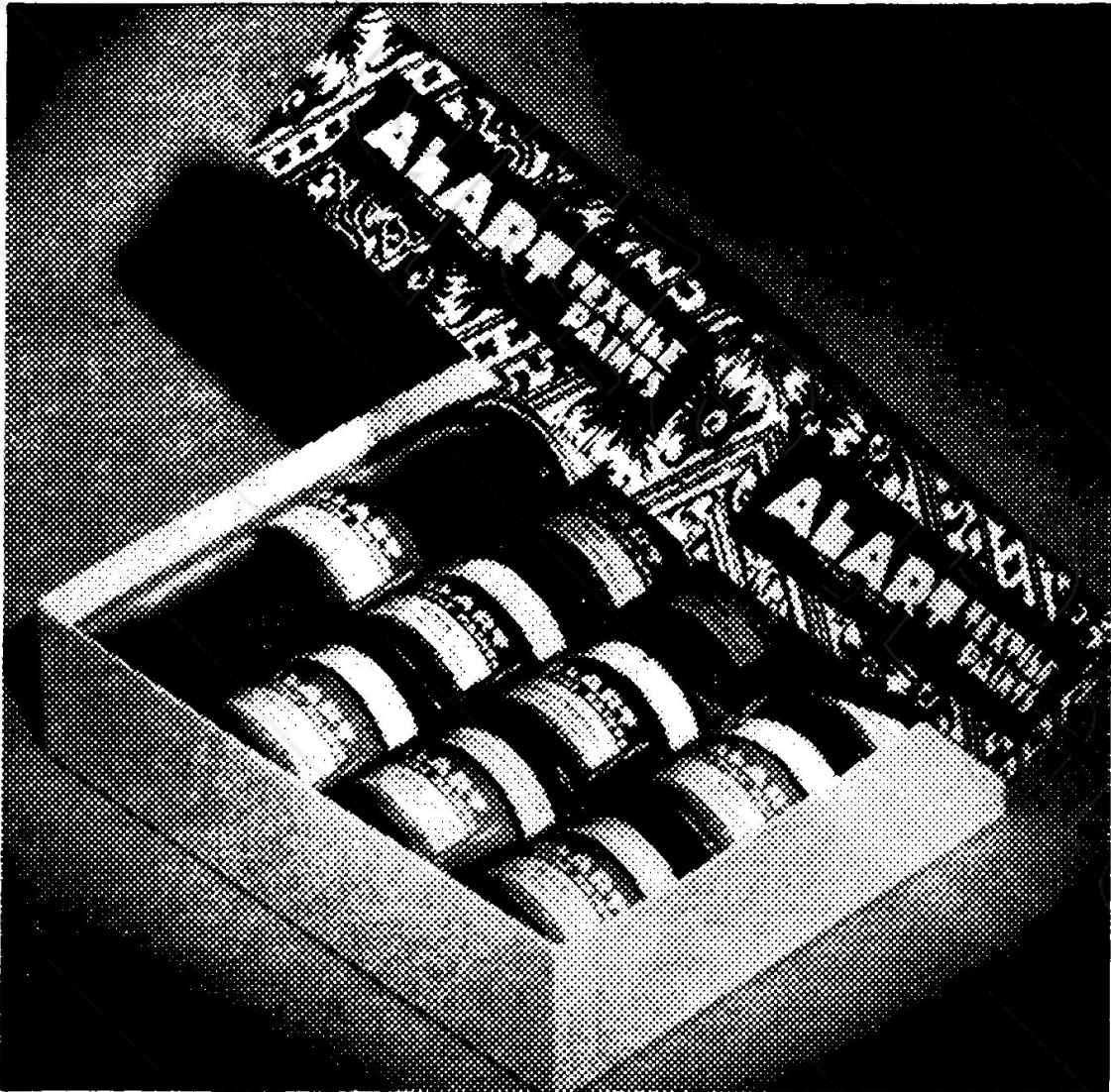
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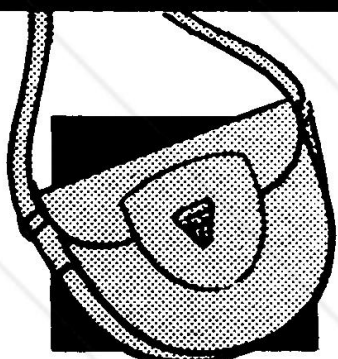


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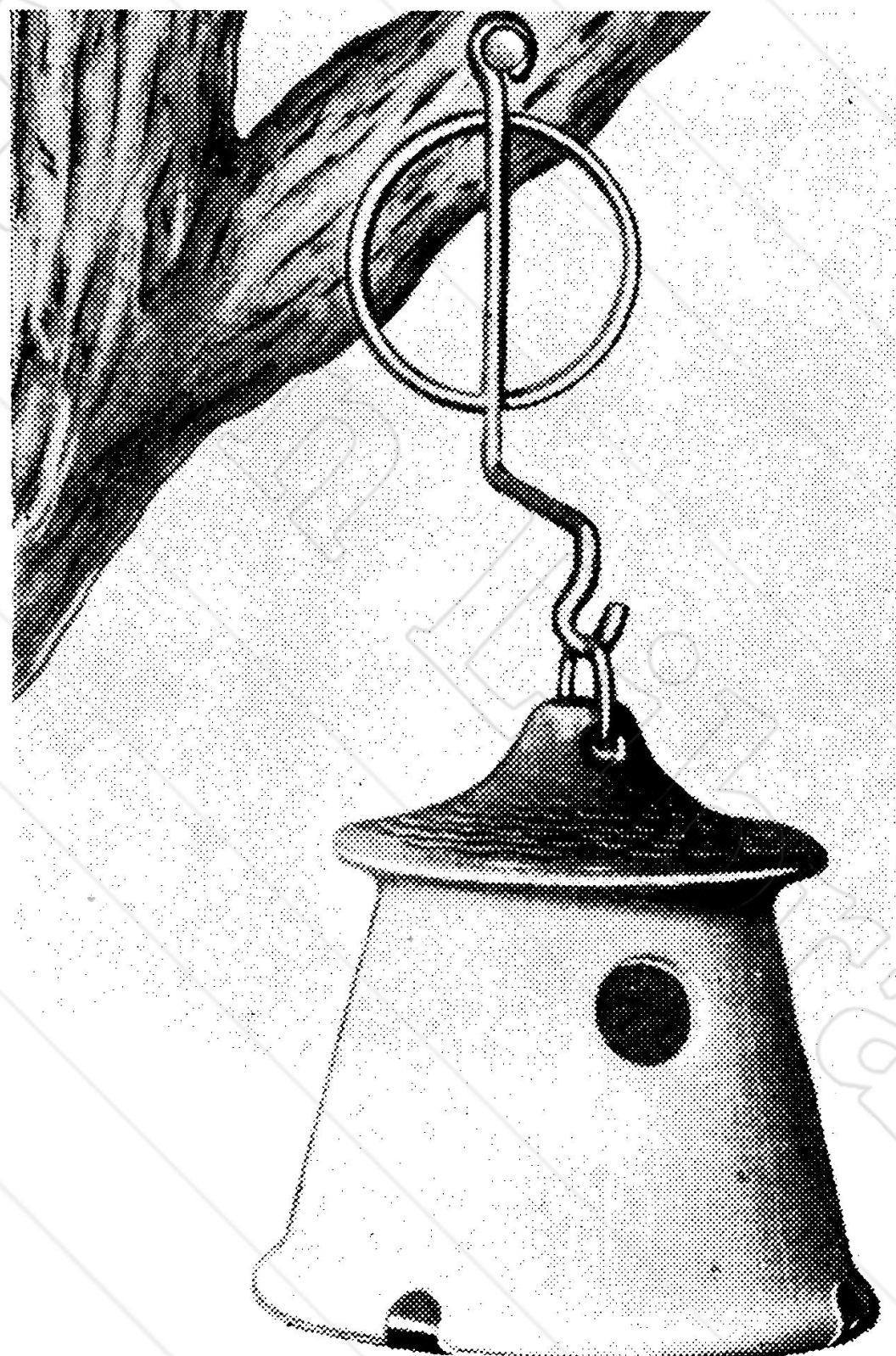
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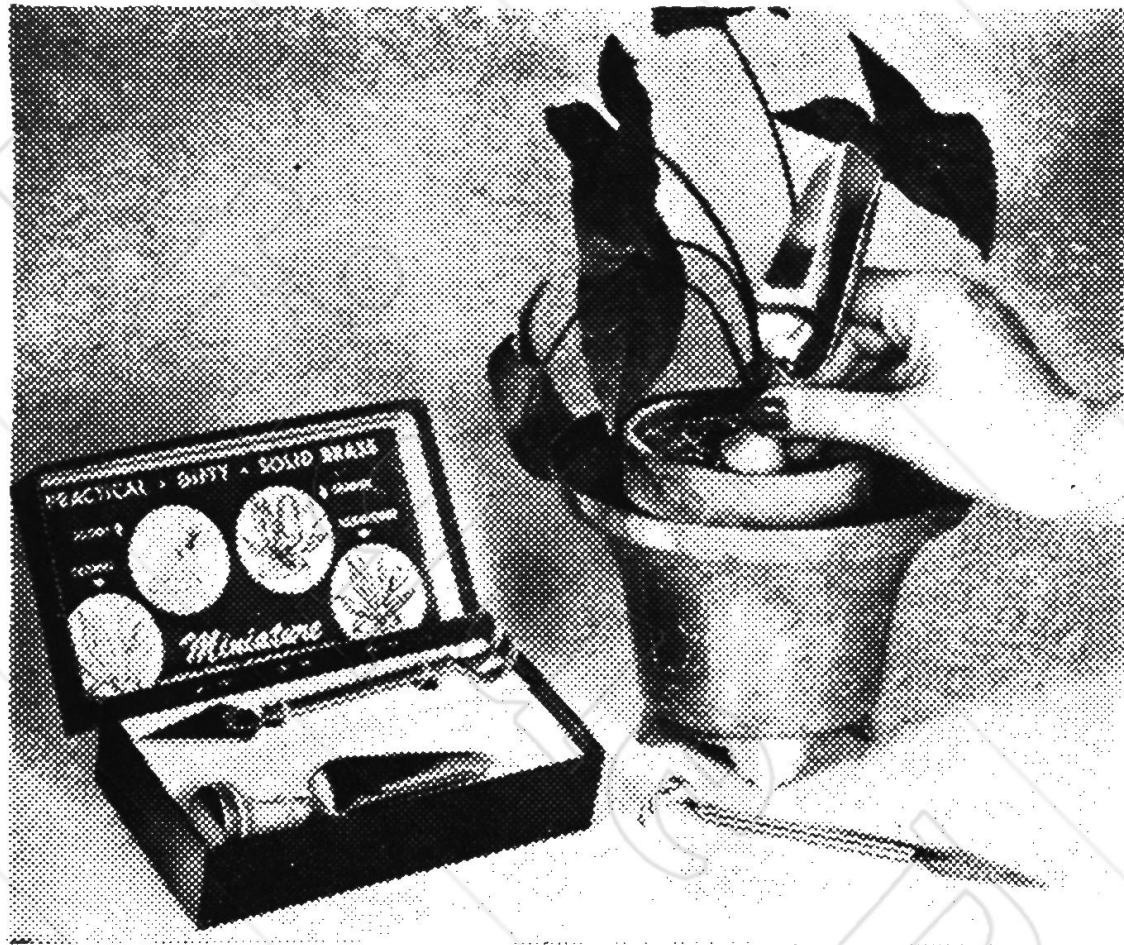
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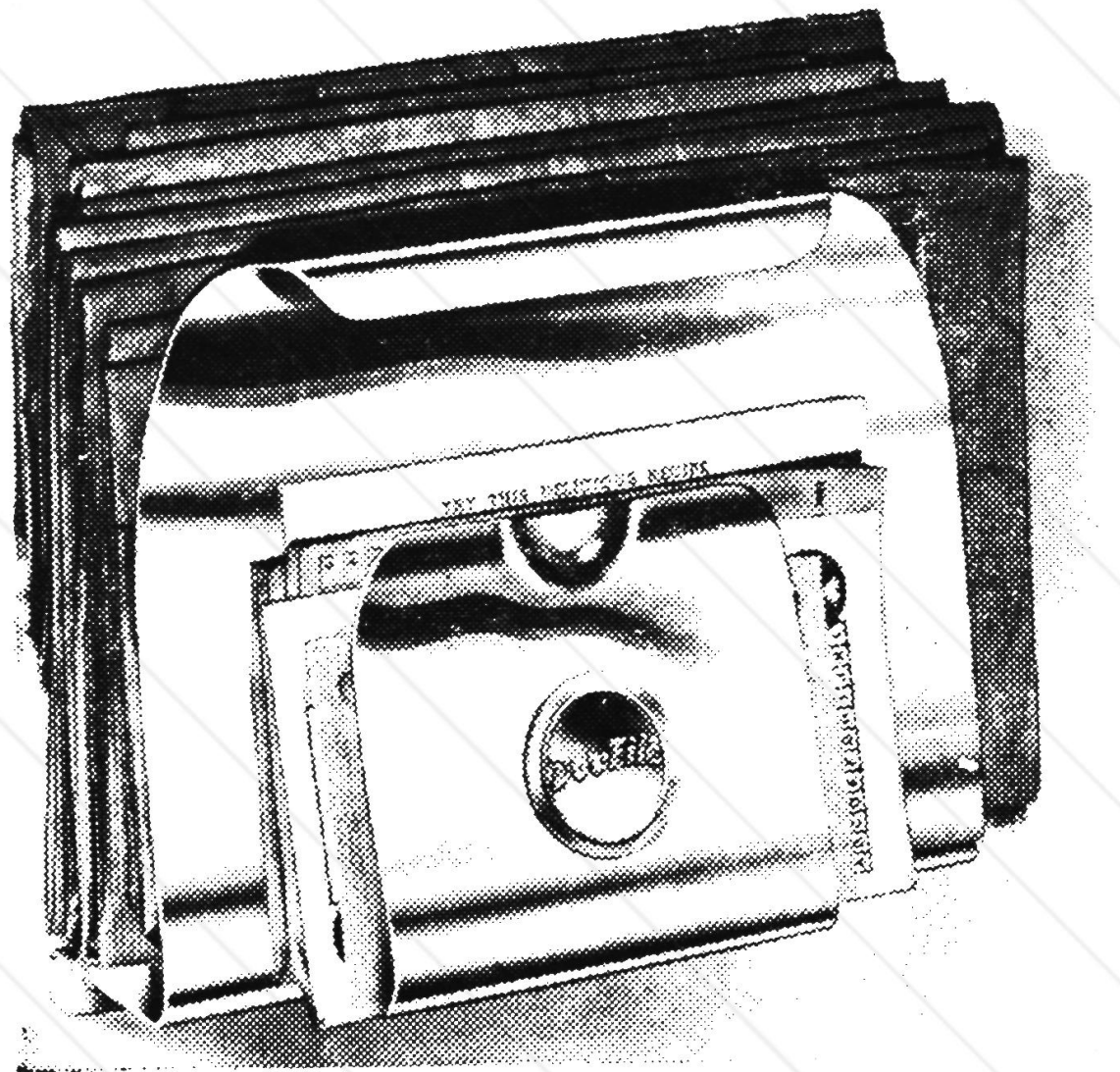
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ting needles, 4 or 5 (standard size) number 5 double pointed needles (10 inch) and three 175 yard balls of thread. For added decoration, you could use a feather, pom pon, flower, or a ribbon bow.

Abbreviations: Rnd (round); k (knit); p (purl); sts (stitches); tog (together); O (yarn over).

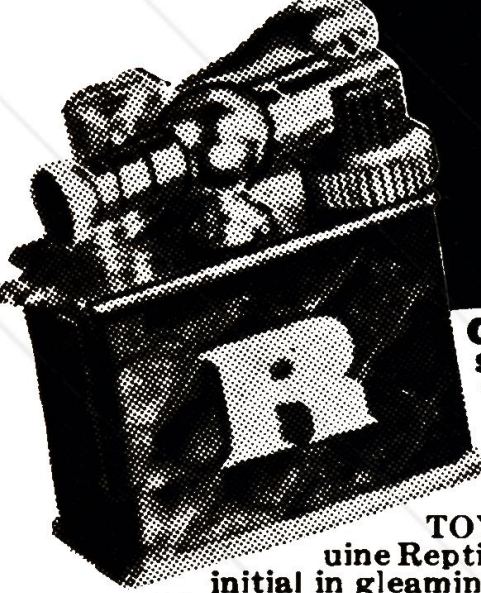
The hat begins at the outer edge. With 14-inch needles and working with three strands at once, cast on 46 sts; use three strands throughout the hat.



Rnd 1: P 1, k 1.

Rnd 2: K 1, p 1.

Work in this pattern for one inch. Continue in pattern, increase 1 st at beginning and end of each row until there are 100 sts on needle. Transfer to 3 or 4 double pointed needles dividing sts—35, 35, 30 or 25, 25, 25, 25. Continue working around in pattern for



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one inch. This forms the rolled brim of cloche.

Beginning of crown:

Work in "scattered seed" stitch now:
Rnd 1: P 1, k 2.

Rnds 2, 4, 6: K this row.

Rnd 3: K 1, * p 1, k 2, repeat from * around.

Rnd 5: K 2, p 1.

These 6 rnds form the scattered seed stitch pattern and are repeated for remainder of hat.

Divide front half from back half of hat and put a marker at division on each side. Each rnd has been started at center back so in this rnd work around to second marker and TURN; with wrong side toward you work back to first marker and TURN again. This time with right side toward you, work around entire hat—to make increased portion of front fit back section without leaving an open space, pick up one st of increased row below and work off 2-sts together. Continue alternating these rnds until the front section measures 3 inches from beginning of scattered seed pattern.

Top of Crown: Decrease at even intervals to make 80 sts.

Next Rnd: * (K 2, p 1) twice, k 2 tog, O, k 2 tog, repeat from * around. K next rnd.

Next Rnd: * K 1, p 1, k 2, p 1, k 2 tog, O, k 2 tog, repeat from * around. K next rnd.

Repeat these last 4 rnds, decreasing each panel every other rnd until only 24 sts remain.

Next rnd: K 2 tog all the way around. Pull thread through these last 12 sts. Draw up tight and finish off. Roll brim back and slip stitch in place.

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Abbreviation: Rnd (round); ch (chain); dc (double crochet); sl st (slip stitch); tr (treble)—thread over two times and work off two lps at a time; dtr (double treble)—thread over 3 times, and work off two lps at a time;

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sc (single crochet); st (stitch); sp (space); sk (skip); hdc (half double crochet)—thread over as for dc, insert hook in st, pull through, yarn over and pull through all lps on hook at one time; lp (loop); inc (increase)—work 2 sts in one st.



Front: With rose and the number 7 crochet hook, ch 7, join in first st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as a dc), 17 dc in ring, join with sl st to top of ch 3.

Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in same place, 2 dc in each dc around, join.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, dc in same place, (dc

in next dc, 2 dc in next dc) repeated around.

Work 8 more rnds increasing enough on each rnd to keep work flat until there are 180 dcs; cut and fasten thread.

Make three more such pieces.

Ruffle Edge: With a number 12 crochet hook, join blue in front lp of any dc on front, ch 6 (counts as a dc and ch 3), dc in same st, (ch 3, dc) twice in front lp of each dc around, ch 3, join with sl st to third st of ch 6, sl st into center of next lp.

Rnd 2: (Ch 5, sc in next lp) repeated around with (ch 2, dc) for final lp. This brings thread into position for next rnd. Repeat this rnd once, cut and fasten thread.

Skirt: With Baby Blue and number 12 hook, ch 11, sc in second st from hook, sc in each st across ch.

Row 2: Ch 5; turn, sc in first sc, (ch 5, sc in next sc) across row, ch 5 to turn all rows.

Rows 3 through 6: Sc in first lp, (ch 3, sc in next lp) repeated across.

Row 7: Sc in first lp, (ch 3, sc in next lp, ch 3, sc in same lp)—an increase, (ch 3, sc in next lp) 6 times, increase, (ch 3, sc in next lp) twice.

Rows 8 and 10: Repeat row 3.

Row 9: Make 3 increases across row.

Row 11: Make 2 increases across row.

Rows 12 through 19: Repeat rows 8 through 11 twice.

Repeat row 3 eight more times, cut and fasten thread.

Over-Skirt: With blue, ch 6, sc in second st from hook, sc in each st across.

Row 2: Ch 5, turn, sc in first sc, (ch 5, sc in next sc) 4 times, ch 5 to turn next 6 rows.

Row 3: Sc in first lp, (ch 3, sc in next lp) 4 times.

Row 4: Sc in first lp, (ch 3, sc in next lp) 3 times, ch 3, sc in same lp,



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ch 3, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next lp.

Rows 5 through 8: Sc in first lp, (ch 3, sc in next lp) repeated across.

Rows 9 and 11: Repeat row 5 to second lp from end, (ch 1, hdc) in last lp, turn.

Row 10: (Ch 3, sc in next lp) across.

Rows 12 through 14: Repeat row 10 to within second lp from end, (ch 1, hdc) in last lp.

Ruffle: Ch 1, turn, 2 sc in ch-1 sp, (2 sc in next sp) 7 times, (2 sc in next sp, 1 sc between sps) 4 times, ch 1, turn.

Row 2: Sc in first sc, (ch 4, sc in next sc) repeated around.

Rows 3, 4: Ch 4, turn, sc in first lp, (ch 4, sc in next lp) repeated around, cut and fasten thread. Make a second overskirt.

Bodice: Starting with baby blue at top corner of right overskirt, sc in first st, sk 3 sts, sc in next st, 2 sc in each of 2 lps across end of ruffle, 2 sc in each of 2 lps across end of ruffle of second overskirt, sc in next st, sk 3 sts, sc in corner st.

Rows 2, 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in 12 sc.

Row 4: Ch 3, turn, 2 dc in first dc, dc in each of next 10 dc, 3 dc in last dc.

Rows 5, 6: Ch 3, turn, dc in each dc, cut and fasten thread.

Sew Row 1 of bodice to top of skirt.

Neck: With tatting thread and number 14 hook, ch 6, sc in second st from hook, sc in each st across.

Row 2: Ch 3, turn, dc in 5 sc.

Row 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in 5 dc.

Row 4: Ch 3, turn, 3 dc in first sc, dc in each of next 3 sc, 3 dc in last sc.

Row 5: Ch 7, (dtr, 2 tr) in first dc, (2 tr in next dc) 3 times, 3 dtr in next dc, (2 tr in next dc) 3 times, (2 tr, 2 dtr) in last dc, cut and fasten thread. Tack bottom point to center top of bodice.

Arm: With tatting cotton and num-

ber 14 hook, ch 30, (sc, hdc, dc) in second st from hook, (hdc in next st, 2 hdc in next st) twice, dc in each of next 4 sts, tr in each remaining st, cut and fasten thread. Make two. Leave right arm curved, bend left one nearly straight.

Collar: With blue and number 12 hook, ch 8, sc in second st from hook, (hdc, 2 dc, 3 tr) on ch, ch 4, turn.

Row 2: Sc in first tr, (ch 3, sc in next st) 6 times, ch 4, turn.

Row 3: Sc in first lp, (ch 4, sc in next lp) 5 times, (ch 1, hdc in last lp, turn.

Row 4: (Ch 4, sc in next lp) 6 times, cut and fasten thread. Make two. Sew row 1 of each piece around neck.



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Rows 8 through 11: Ch 1, sk 1 sc, sc in each sc to third from end, draw up a lp in 2 end sc, thread over and draw through 3 lps on hook (decrease made). Row 11 has 3 sc. Ch 1, make 35 sc around head, join and fasten thread.

Bonnet: Mark center sc on chin, with baby blue, picking up back lps only, sc in fifth sc from center of chin, sc in next sc, (hdc in next sc) twice, (2 dc in next sc) 3 times, (tr in next sc, 2 tr in next sc) 6 times, tr in next sc, (2 dc in next sc) 3 times, (hdc in next sc) twice, sc in next sc, turn.

Row 2: Ch 1, sk first sc, (sc in next st) 5 times, (hdc in next st) twice, 2 hdc in next st, (dc in each of 2 sts, 2 dc in next st) 6 times, dc in each of 2 sts, 2 hdc in next st, (hdc in next st) twice, (sc in next st) 5 times, sl st in next st, fasten off.

Row 3: Join blue, (ch 3, sk 1 st, sc in next st) repeated around bonnet, cut and fasten thread. Sew chin over top of neck.

Make Blue French knots for eyes; outline eyes, make eyebrows and nose in black sewing thread; embroider mouth with coral floss.

Flowers: With 3 threads of Coral embroidery floss and number 12 hook, ch 5, sl st in first st, (ch 4, sl st in same st) 4 times, * ch 9, sl st in fifth st from hook, (ch 4, sl st in same st) 4 times. Repeat from *, making 16 flowers for bottom of skirt, 5 flowers for bonnet, 7 for each over skirt, 4 for bouquet, and 1 flower for bodice. Sew in place as illustrated with a yellow French knot in the center of each.

Sew figure on front piece, lay front and back together, going through the back lp of each dc, sew pieces together, slip over one side of holder and complete sewing around.

Repeat from beginning for other side.

Sunflower Knit Doily

This lacy, open-work doily is knitted. It measures about 8½ inches in diameter, using number 30 thread; four or five double pointed needles, size 1, and a crochet hook number 7 will be needed.

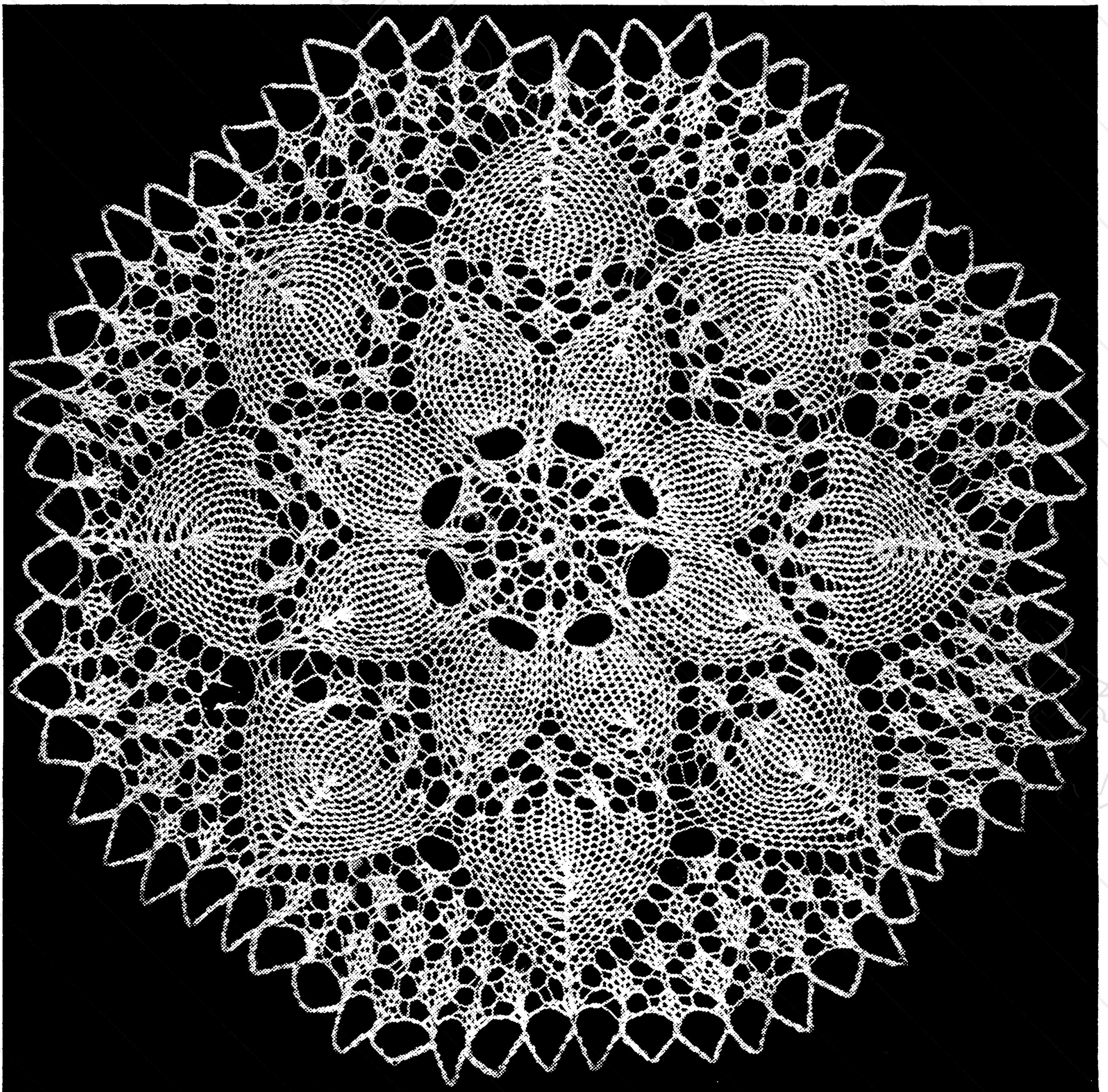
Abbreviations: K (knit); p (purl); tog (together); O (yarn over); rnd (round); sts (stitches); sc (single crochet); lp (loop); eyelet—k 2 tog, O twice, k 2 tog.

You may start the center of doily by wrapping thread around a pencil (or something small) several times. Into

this ring make a sc, have one st on hook, insert through ring again and pull another lp through, draw working thread through this but not through lp on hook. You now have 2 sts, continue in this manner until you have 8 sts which will be divided on needles as in rnd 1.

If you prefer the conventional way, use 4 or 5 double pointed needles and cast on 8 sts, divide sts on 3 needles (3, 3, 2) or 4 needles (2, 2, 2, 2).

Rnd 1: Join by k this row, being careful not to twist sts.



Rnd 2: K this row.

Rnd 3: O, k 1. Always repeat directions given 8 times to complete row.

Rnds 4 and 5: K.

Rnd 6: (O, k 1) 16 times (32 sts).

Rnds 7, 8, and 9: K.

Rnd 10: (K 2 tog, O twice, k 2 tog) eyelet made.

Rnd 11: K 1, allow first O to slip off left needle, work 7 sts in next O, to work 7 sts in 1, (k 1, p 1) 3 times, k 1, * k 2, drop one O, work 7 sts in next 9 sts. Repeat from * around, ending with k 1 (72 sts).

Rnds 12 to 18: K these 7 rnds.

Rnd 19: O, k 9.

Rnd 20: K this and all even rows

except rnd 36 which is worked as given.

Rnd 21: O, k 1, O, k 9.

Rnd 23: (O, k 3) twice, k 3 tog, k 3.

Rnd 25: O, k 1, O, k 3 tog, O, k 1, O, k 2, k 3 tog, k 2.

Rnd 27: O, k 3, O, k 1, O, k 3, O, k 1, k 3 tog, k 1.

Rnd 29: O, k 1, O, k 3 tog, O, k 3, O, k 3 tog, O, k 1, O, k 3 tog.

Rnds 31 thru 34: K these 4 rnds.

Rnd 35: O twice, k 14.

Rnd 36: Drop one O, (k 1, p 1, k 1) in next O, k 14.

Rnd 37: O, k 3, O, k 14.

Rnd 39: O, k 1, O, k 3 tog, O, k 1, O, k 6, k 2 tog, k 6.

Rnd 41: O, k 3, O, k 1, O, k 3, O, k 5, k 3 tog, k 5.

Rnd 43: O, k 1, O, k 3 tog, O, k 3, O, k 3 tog, O, k 1, O, k 4, k 3 tog, k 4.

Rnd 45: O, k 3, O, k 1, O, k 2 tog, k 1, k 2 tog, O, k 1, O, k 3, O, k 3, k 3 tog, k 3.

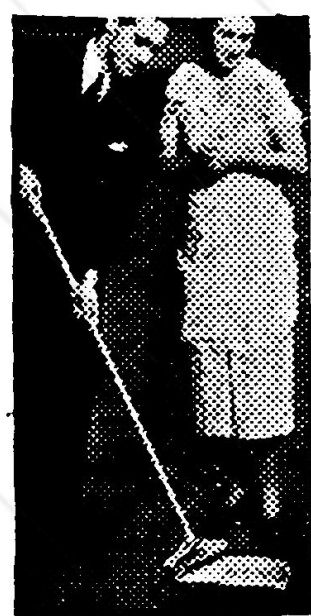
Rnd 47: O, k 1, (O, k 3 tog, O, k 3) twice, O, k 3 tog, O, k 1, O, k 2, k 3 tog, k 2.

Rnd 49: O, k 3, O, k 1, (O, k 2 tog, k 1, k 2 tog, O, k 1) twice, O, k 3, O, k 1, k 3 tog, k 1.

Rnd 51: O, k 1, (O, k 3 tog, O, k 3) 3 times, O, k 3 tog, O, k 1, O, k 3 tog.

Rnd 53: K 2, put sts on safety pin, then using a number 7 crochet hook, * ch 8, sl next 3 k sts onto crochet hook, thread over and pull through 3 sts (there will be 2 sts on hook), thread over and pull through last 2 sts—this makes an sc. Repeat from * 6 times. Then ch 8, sl 5 k sts onto hook and work off with sc. Repeat around, working off 7 groups of 3 k sts and 1 or 5 k sts (the 5 sts are always at tip of petal). When you have worked around to the last 3 k sts on last needle, pick up 2 sts on safety pin and work off together.

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The work is done with shuttle and ball. The ends may be knotted together to begin, and for practice make a small ring of 4 or 5 doubles to help hold the threads. You will need to use all the fingers of the left hand and to avoid confusion in numbering, they will be referred to as fore or index, middle, ring and little fingers.

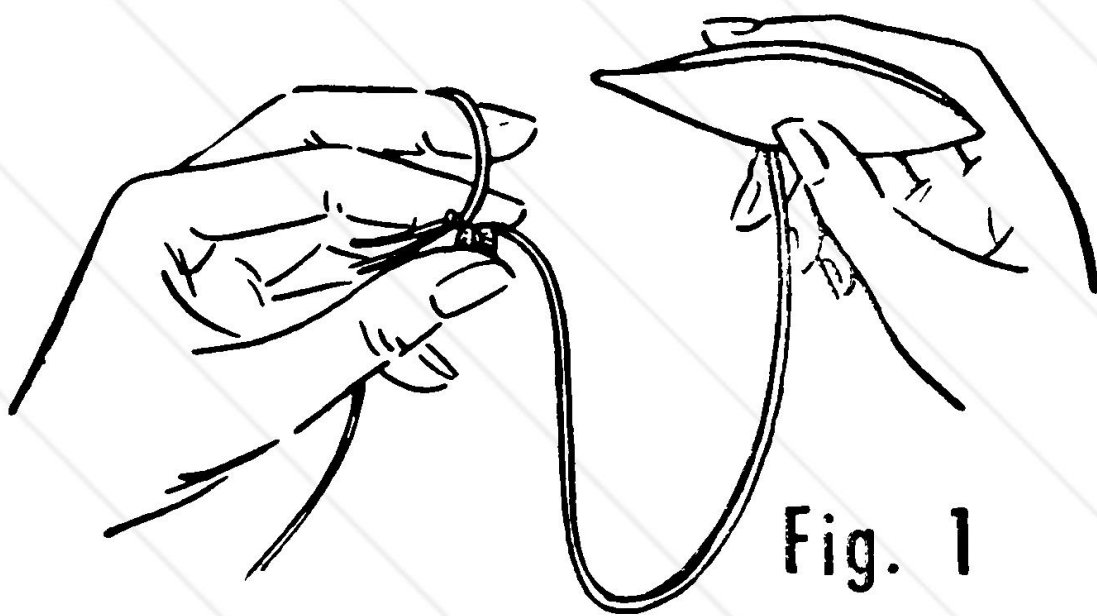


Fig. 1

Holding the knotted ends and ring between thumb and forefinger of left hand (Figure 1), carry the ball thread over the middle and ring fingers and back between thumb and forefinger

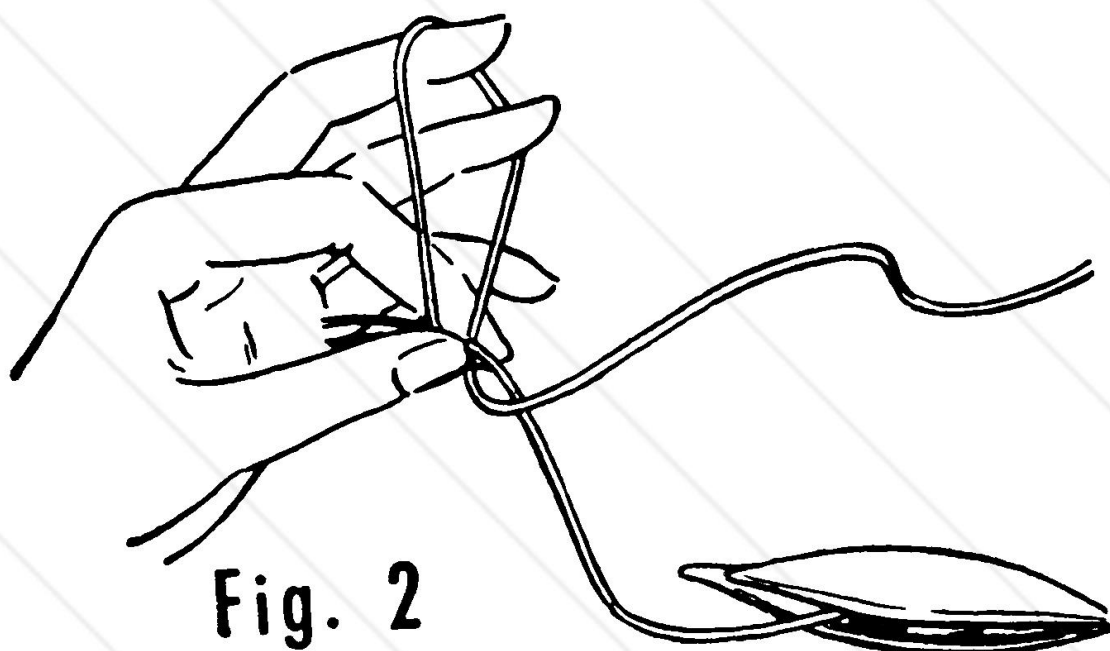


Fig. 2

again (Figure 2); around the shuttle thread, to prevent pulling out, and draw a small loop back toward you to make it easier to hold all the threads

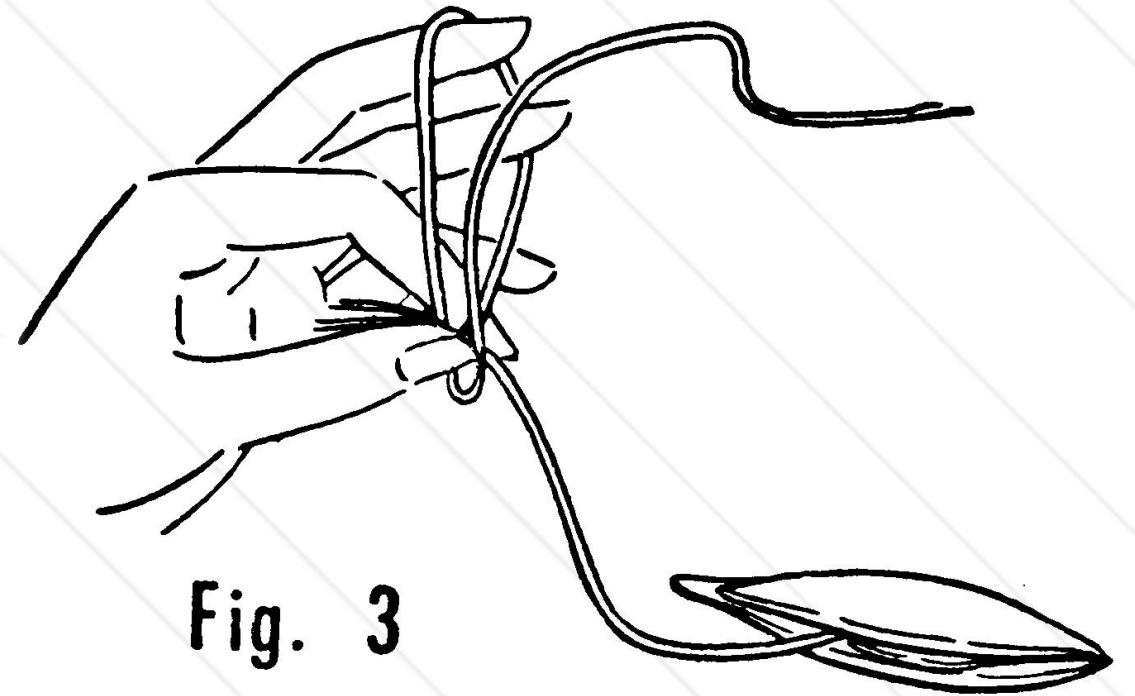


Fig. 3

(Figure 3). Bring ball thread over ring finger again (Figure 4); this will run it between the two threads already held; wind thread tightly around little finger, letting ball fall to lap or table. Continue pressure on thumb and index finger and hold other fingers out far enough to give tension.

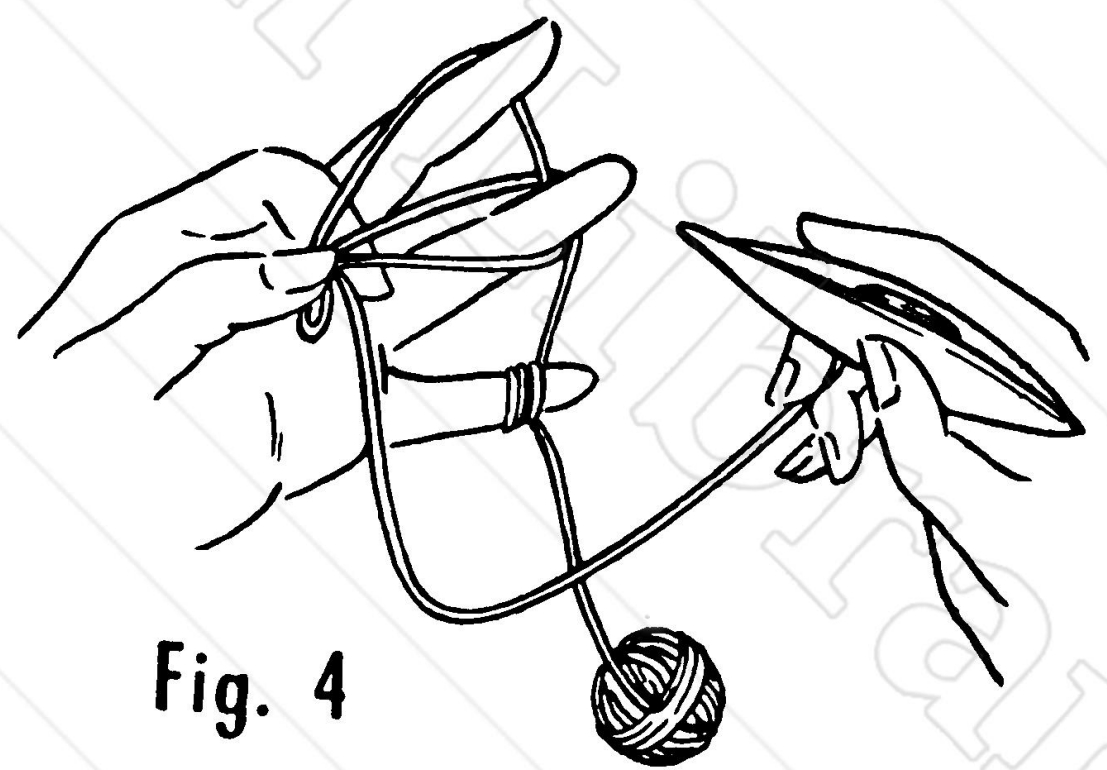


Fig. 4

Make a double stitch over the first or left strand. This acts as a guide in keeping threads loose, and also ties in with previous portions of work. Begin petal by weaving with shuttle under, over, under (Figure 5) the three threads; bring shuttle back over, under, over the same three threads, thus completing one stitch in weaving a 12-stitch petal. Be careful and do not weave the first two or three stitches too

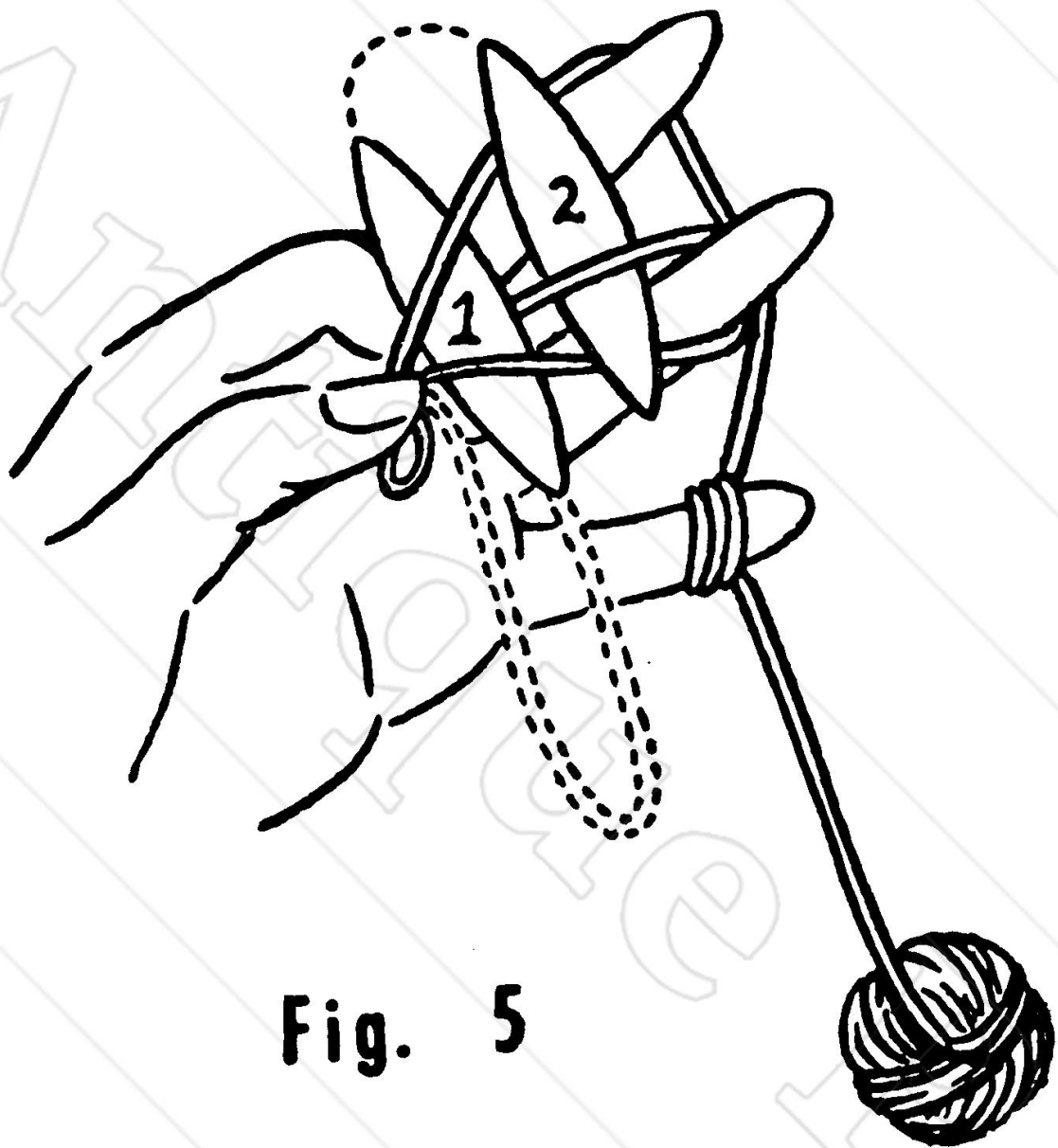


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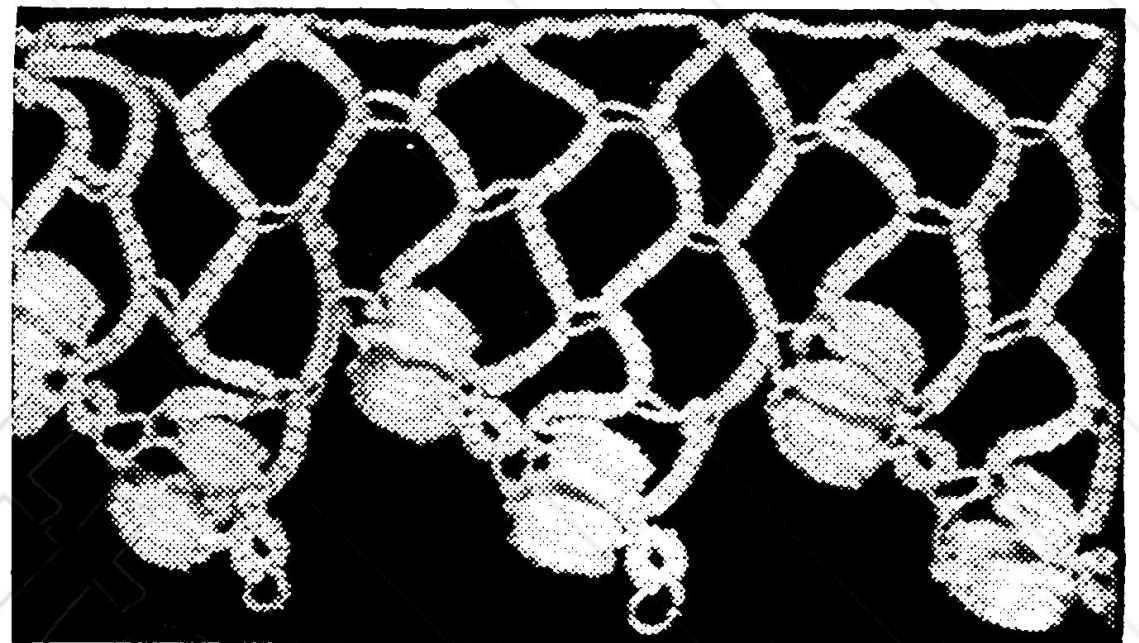
tight. Begin to narrow on the 10th stitch upward to form tip of petal, by pulling the weaving thread firmly and gently. As you repeat this motion, it will be easier.

Unwind the ball thread from little finger, holding petal between thumb and forefinger, grasp ball thread in

other hand and gently pull it tight, loop and all to form the petal. If the ball thread twists in pulling, put a pin in the loop, pull tight, then remove pin. Some people may experience the same difficulty as when they first began—a knot! But keep trying—it will eventually come out right.

A Cluny Tatting Design

Tulip Edge



Abbreviations: Ds (double stitch); p (picot); r (ring); sts (stitches).

Row 1: 1 ds, p, 10 ds, p, turn.

Row 2: 5 ds, join in last p made, 5 ds, p, 5 ds, join. * Make one petal (12 sts form one petal), make a second petal and join at base of first petal, 1 ds, make a third petal, 1 ds, make a r of 3 ds, p, 3 ds, cl r. 1 ds, join between first two petals made.

Row 3: 5 ds, p, 5 ds, join in p of last row made, 5 ds, p, 5 ds, join at top of row.

Row 4: 1 ds, 5 twisted sts (pass shuttle thread 5 times around ball thread), 1 ds, 5 ds, join in last p made, 5 ds, p, 5 ds, join in next p, 5 ds, p, 5 ds, join to p of r, make 2 petals, join second petal to same p, 1 ds, make a third petal, 1 ds, make a r of 3 ds, p, 3 ds, join between first and second petals, 5 ds, join to first free p, (5 ds, p, 5 ds, join to next p) twice, turn, 5 twisted sts, 5 ds, join to first free p, 5 ds, p, 5 ds, join to next p.

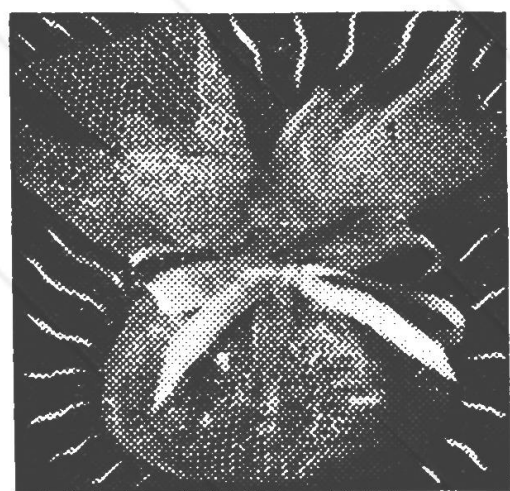
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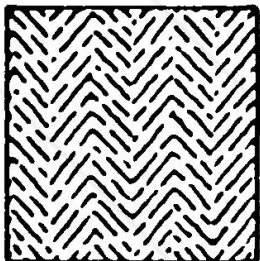
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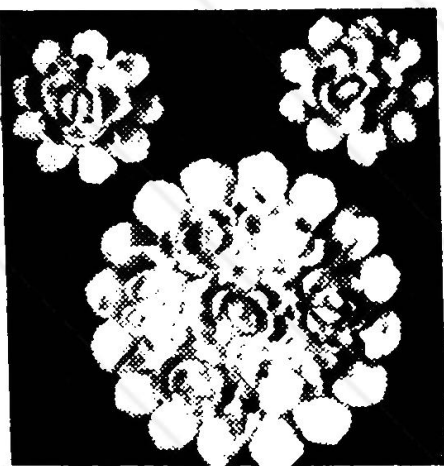
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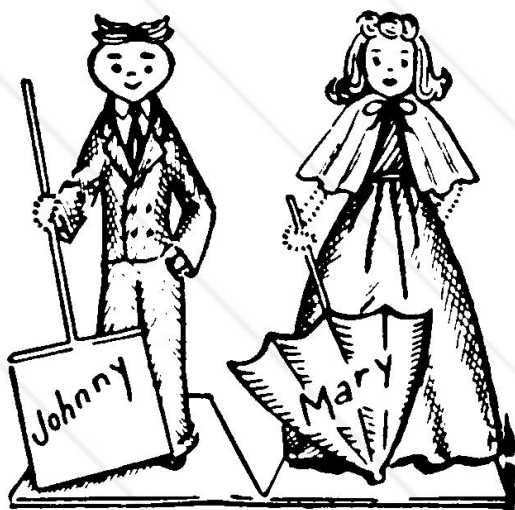
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Clothespin Table Decorations

I make clothespin dolls for table decorations. I take a round wooden clothespin, (not the snap kind) and first paint a face on the round top part. Then I make a wig out of scraps of yarn and glue in place. The dresses or suits are usually made from crepe paper but some I make from cloth. I make the arms from a pipe cleaner. When the doll is finished, I glue it on a three-inch square of white cardboard. Most hostesses order one for each guest they expect to entertain and allow them to keep the dolls as a souvenir of a happy occasion.

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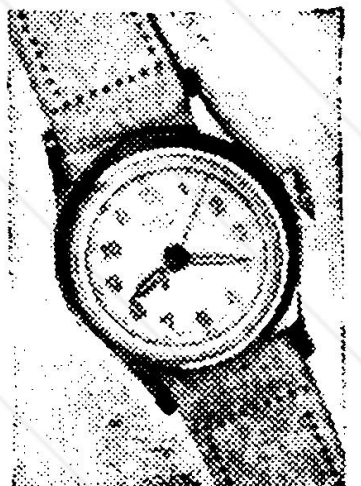
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What Clubs Are Doing

An Aunt Ellen Club with a special fondness for birds, writes of the bird house project they have been sponsoring the past few months. The interest has spread to the families of all the club members. One of the members had several patterns, varying in size from a small wren house to larger bluebird houses and robin shelters. She made one and took it to a club meeting in January for display. Now each member has made several and they have two dozen to sell at their annual spring bazaar.

A newly formed club writes of a money-making scheme they have started. A large cake is sold at every meeting—10c a slice. The person who made the first cake put in a well

scoured dime, wrapped in foil paper; then the person who buys the slice of cake with the dime in it is expected to make the cake for the next meeting. Over a period of a year their treasury should have many dimes in it.

Safety programs have proved quite popular with several clubs. Suggestions for safety in the home and on the highway were discussed most freely. These are held in conjunction with a state health program, Rural Youth or 4-H club work. A speaker from the state health office, State Highway Department or Extension office usually leads the discussion.

Program Suggestion Hats

The hat auction was over. Club members tried hard to stop laughing and compose themselves for the more serious part of the meeting. After a bit the treasurer succeeded in straightening her face and reported that, in addition to the merriment provided by models of all ages and hats of many vintages, some fifteen dollars had been realized.

"What do you know about the history of hats?" someone asked the milliner who had donated several hats for the auction.

"I really do not know too much about hats of the past," admitted that lady, but before our next meeting I will find out." And this is some of the information the milliner gathered.

So much time elapsed before man began to keep records that actually we do not know what the very earliest head coverings were. The Egyptians

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were the first people to furnish us with information about hats (or rather what was worn in their stead) and the head bands of the Egyptians are still with us—in bands on the outside of both men and women's hats.

Egyptian women owned wigs, a number if they could afford them, and these were decorated with gold discs, jewels, ribbons and colored glass flowers. Some of these ornaments might be considered as forerunners of modern decorations, just as were the Egyptian bands.

In Greece women were satisfied with their own hair and often wore it long and loose. If twisted or braided, it was frequently put into a caul (net). Sometimes the Grecian woman placed a crown, wreath of flowers, row of beads, or a band on her head, but never a hat. Only men wore hats in that age, and these hats were provided with strings for travelers to tie under their chins. (The streamers seen on children's sailors today are relics of that custom).

Neither did Roman women have hats. They dyed their hair and arranged it in fancy coiffures. Cauls were of gold or silver strung with pearls and the hair confined in them was curled and frizzed.

Eventually women began throwing strips of linen, or other materials, over their heads and knotting them loosely under their chins. These oblong pieces of cloth were called head-rails and in time evolved into hoods.

Hoods were popular in England, France and America. There were several styles and they were made of velvet and silk, of lustring and gauze, as well as of the more ordinary materials. Some were padded; others were quilted. In a Boston belle's trousseau were velvet hoods, love-hoods, and "sneal hoods"—whatever they were.

Black hoods were seen more than any other kind because, it is claimed, Madame de Maintenon preferred them. Although she was the wife of gay King Louis XIV, she insisted on quiet attire. Perhaps that was why women of good standing were allowed to wear black hoods. Those of ill repute were permitted to wear only striped ones.

A resourceful wife saved her husband's life by means of a riding hood—a type having arm holes and worn by both men and women. The Earl of Nithsdale, sentenced to death, escaped from the Tower of London in his wife's dress and riding hood and lived thirty years longer.

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ern fashion of hats, which present a useless elevation, and leave the neck and ears completely exposed."

Calashes (from the French calèche, a hood made to pull over the head) were also worn in the Colonies. And in his recent book *Valley Forge: 24 December 1777*, Van Wyck Mason has one of the destitute soldiers wearing a woman's calash.

Beaver hats were a part of early American headgear too. In time Quaker women as well as men wore them, as did the Massachusetts Bay Colonists. Nevertheless, beaver hats were very expensive, so the owners of them were not numerous.

In New Amsterdam women wore

coifs or caps. The nicer ones were of brocade, trimmed with lace, and had plaited ruffles around the face.

After the Revolution, some American women went to extremes in their dress. Sad days seemed to be past, and at balls ladies are described as wearing hats of white satin which were fairly laden with artificial roses or plumes.

By 1870 the forerunner of modern hats appeared. These were straw hats imported, in many shapes and styles, from Italy. In 1804 poke bonnets were designed. Straw, willow and chip were used for these bonnets, some of which were worn throughout the year.

Although turbans were fashionable—some hand painted—during the early years of the nineteenth century, the poke bonnet held its own until well into the 1860's. Then hats became small and round. These were elaborately decorated, and as the decade passed, more and more ornamentation was added. Jet beads and steel buckles, flowers, lace, and feathers, to say nothing of jeweled hatpins, appeared on them.

Toward the end of the century hats went up in the air, their height being increased by means of feathers—occasionally whole birds—and loops of velvet and satin. (The use of feathers was finally curtailed because of the public's reaction).

Panamas were introduced in 1895 by American sailors who sold them in American ports. And it was in this decade that the Gibson girl and her hats made their appearance.

In this century, hats, like everything else, have had their ups and downs. The wars have influenced styles in devious ways. For instance, World War I introduced the extensive wearing of the Basque beret in our country. Yet this in no way limited the elaborate trimmings on milady's hat. After the

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With the thirties the fashion of going without hats began and has never ceased. Scarves, kerchiefs, snoods, dabs of ribbon, lace, flowers, feathers and even wisps of veiling serve as head coverings.

Manufacturing hats was one of the American industries. Today this industry centers in New York and Philadelphia with large factories in Orange and Newark, New Jersey; Danbury, Bethel and Norwalk, Connecticut; Brooklyn, New York; Reading, Pennsylvania, and other cities.

No doubt one of these factories produced the modish hat that caused a husband to say to his wife, "My dear, you didn't wear that thing out from town!" To which the wife might have answered, using the words of a cartoon, "I charge my hats to entertainment."

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The name of one common bird is hidden in each of the following sentences. See if you can find them.

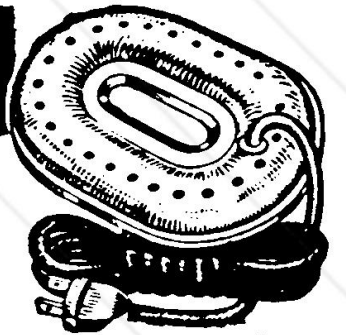
1. In April Arkansas is delightful.
2. The throb in my head is painful.
3. Do not spar, rowdy boys!
4. Let the allegros be a known tempo.
5. She will now render a solo.
6. Mark the stick every two and a half inches.
7. They both rush to the scene.
8. Wolves often howl on the prairie.
9. The turning rack leans too far.
10. A wise investor knows a bargain.
11. Some poppies have flaming orange blossoms.

ANSWERS: 1—Lark, 2—Robin, 3—Sparrow, 4—Grosbeak, 5—Wren, 6—Finches, 7 — Thrush, 8 — Owl, 9 — Grackle; 10—Stork, 11—Flamingo.

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Mary Gingerich

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While soup cooks, combine 1 cup ground cooked ham, 1 egg slightly beaten, 1 tablespoon flour, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon dry mustard, $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon pepper; form into small balls and drop in soup. Let simmer for about 10 minutes.

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Grind all ingredients and mix together. Stir in the mayonnaise. Store in ice box. It is nice for sandwiches or party luncheons.

Mrs. Roy Limestall

Cheese Straws

- 1 lb. sharp cheese
- 1 lb. butter or substitute
- 4 cups flour
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoonful cayenne pepper

Grate cheese, add butter and flour alternately. Cream well. Roll and cut mixture in any preferred shapes or straws. Attractive designs may be made with the use of a cookie press. Mixture may be kept in ice box for several days; leave out for an hour before using. Makes 12 dozen straws. Bake in 300 degree oven eight to ten minutes.

Miss Ida Trollinger.

Husbands' Cake

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup shortening
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar
- 1 can condensed tomato soup
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup water
- 3 cups sifted bread flour
- 1 teaspoon soda
- $\frac{3}{4}$ teaspoon salt
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 eggs
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cloves
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon nutmeg
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup raisins
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup nut meats

Cream shortening and sugar, combine tomato soup with water and soda. Add to creamed mixture alternately with dry ingredients. Add nuts and raisins; bake in moderate oven for one hour. This is a large cake, will make 3 layers or fill 12 x 15 loaf pan.

Cheese Fondant Icing

- 2 cups pulverized sugar
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 tablespoons hot water
- 3-ounce package of cream cheese
- Vanilla to flavor

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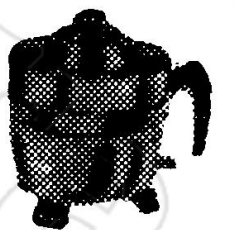
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I have some nice fuchsia plants but all the leaves are falling off because they are full of little white flies. What can I use to destroy the insects? Mrs. E. W., Michigan.

White fly is a common pest, especially on fuchsia, pelargoniums, ageratum, etc. The adults are white winged and white bodied. The young larvae resemble scale insects, and feed on the sap of the plants. Spray the plants with Volk using three and one-half tablespoonfuls to one gallon of water. Be sure to wet the under side of the leaves with the spray solution. Many of the adults will fly away only to return later but the spray will destroy the larvae.

How should slips of geraniums be pinched after they are growing to make them branch? Mrs. G. C., Pennsylvania.

To produce a well branched geranium (pelargonium), a single stemmed plant should be hard pinched leaving only from three to five leaves. If the leaf nodes are far apart, the stem should be cut back to three leaves. New breaks will soon appear and buds will show in about two months.

My sultanas are covered with a white mouldy looking pest. When they are mashed they are orange colored and sticky. What are they and how can I get rid of them? Mrs. C. L., Missouri.

The insects on the sultanas, or impatiens, are called mealy bugs. Unless this pest is controlled it will destroy



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the plants and all other plants kept near them. Control is difficult because mealy bugs are hard to wet with spray solutions and because they gather in the most inaccessible places. A spray pump that will give a fairly high pressure must be used and the spraying must be thoroughly done. Volk is a good spray to use on mealy bugs as the oil dissolves the white waxy covering over the pests. Use Volk at the rate of three and one-half tablespoonfuls to one gallon of water. Loro is another spray that may be used but should be diluted to about one-half of the recommended strength.

Tell me why my geraniums don't bloom. My plants grow and thrive but don't flower. Mrs. C. N., Missouri.

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Please tell me if an azalea plant can be planted outdoors and if it can be left there through the winter. Mrs. L. E., Colorado.

In the Denver region the greenhouse grown types of azaleas will not survive through the winter successfully. They may be planted outdoors in the spring in pure acid peat in the shade. They should be planted where they can be syringed and watered regularly. By frost time the plants should be lifted and taken inside where they will again come into bloom. They need to be fed regularly about once a month with ammonium sulphate and iron sulphate, one ounce of each to two gallons of water. Watch for red spider and mealy bug. Syringing thoroughly should control them.

Can you tell me why my geraniums which seem to have been well started begin to turn dark brown and dead looking at the bottom? This seems to work up the stem

until the whole plant eventually dies. Mrs. S. P., Vermont.

Blackening, shriveling and rotting of the stems of geraniums is a disease called blackleg. The rot starts at the base of the stem and the plant soon wilts and dies. New fresh soil or sand from a different source should be used for starting the plants, or the soil used should be sterilized by heat. All diseased plants and their soil should be destroyed. After the new plants are growing they should be run as dry as possible.

Can I keep a potted azalea as a house plant indefinitely? E. M. C., California.

By occasional repotting, regular feeding and judicious pinching, an azalea plant may be kept indefinitely. Starting in April, repot if necessary, using straight acid peat for the potting medium. Pinch the young growths until the middle of June, as necessary,

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Can you tell me how to care for a watermelon begonia to make it have blooms? Mrs. H. P., Missouri.

The so called watermelon begonia is really a peperomia and is used chiefly in dish gardens. It is not of importance for its bloom. Overwatering will cause them to rot unless planted in a sandy well drained soil. They like a warm place, a fair amount of light and water every other day. They will stand full sun in midwinter, but in summer an east window gives plenty of light.

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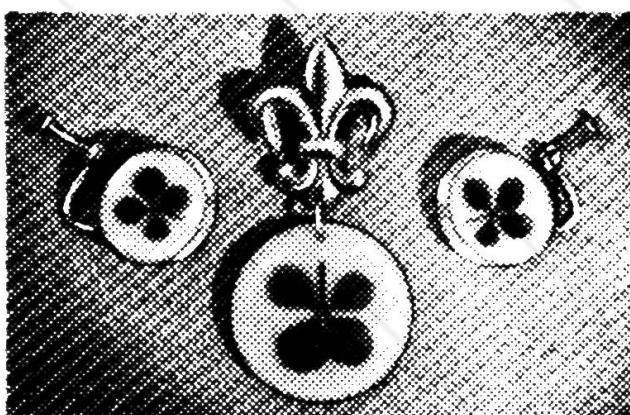
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of head to hold hair, run down through neck, (bean, which has had a hole punched through it lengthwise, same for arms and legs) on through the other two pecans which form the body. Now divide wire so that one strand each becomes a leg, upon which string six brown beans, and a medium size lima bean, crosswise for foot. Extend the ends of both wires through the slab of wood, draw tightly, twist ends together and flatten against base. A wire is run through the upper part of body for the arms, upon which are strung five beans for each arm, with ends of wire bent back and secured by twisting two or three times around wire between the last two beans.

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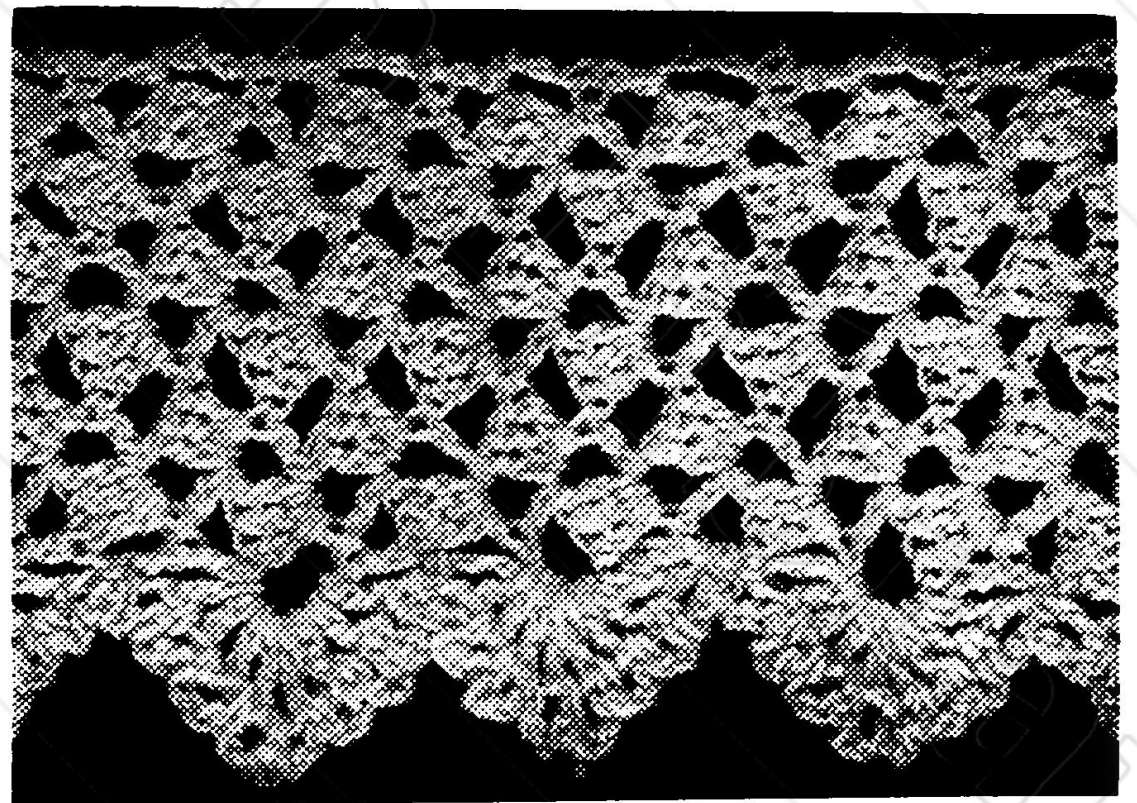
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Row 1: Ch 14, shell in fourth st from hook, (sk 3 sts, shell in next st) twice, ch 3, turn.

Row 2: (Shell in ch-2 lp) 3 times, dc in last st of ch-14, ch 3, turn.

Row 3: (Shell in ch-2 lp) 3 times, dc in top of ch-3, ch 3, turn.

Repeat Row 3 for desired length.



Scallop: Ch 1, dc on same ch-3 lp as last dc, (ch 1, dc) 6 times in same lp, * ch 1, sk one ch-3 lp, sl st in next lp, ch 1, sk 1 lp, dc on next lp (ch 1, dc) 7 times in same lp; repeat from * across edge, ending with a scallop.

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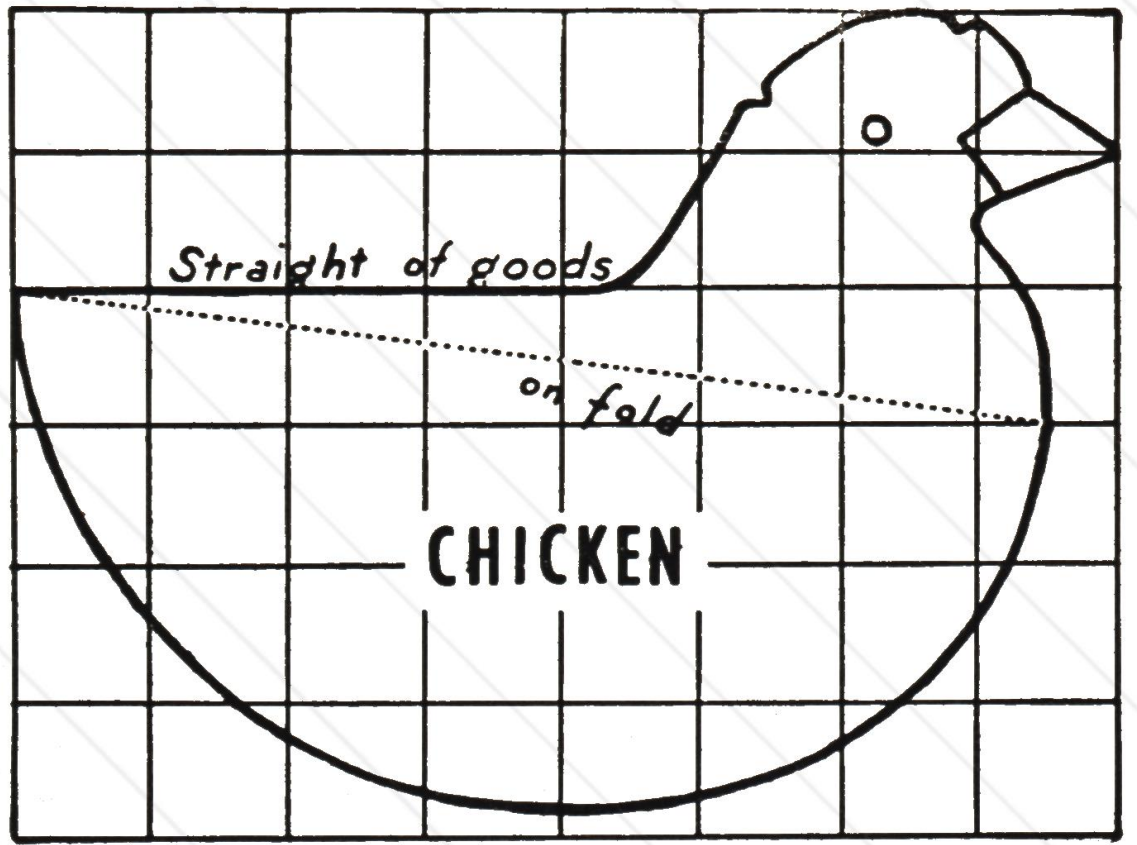
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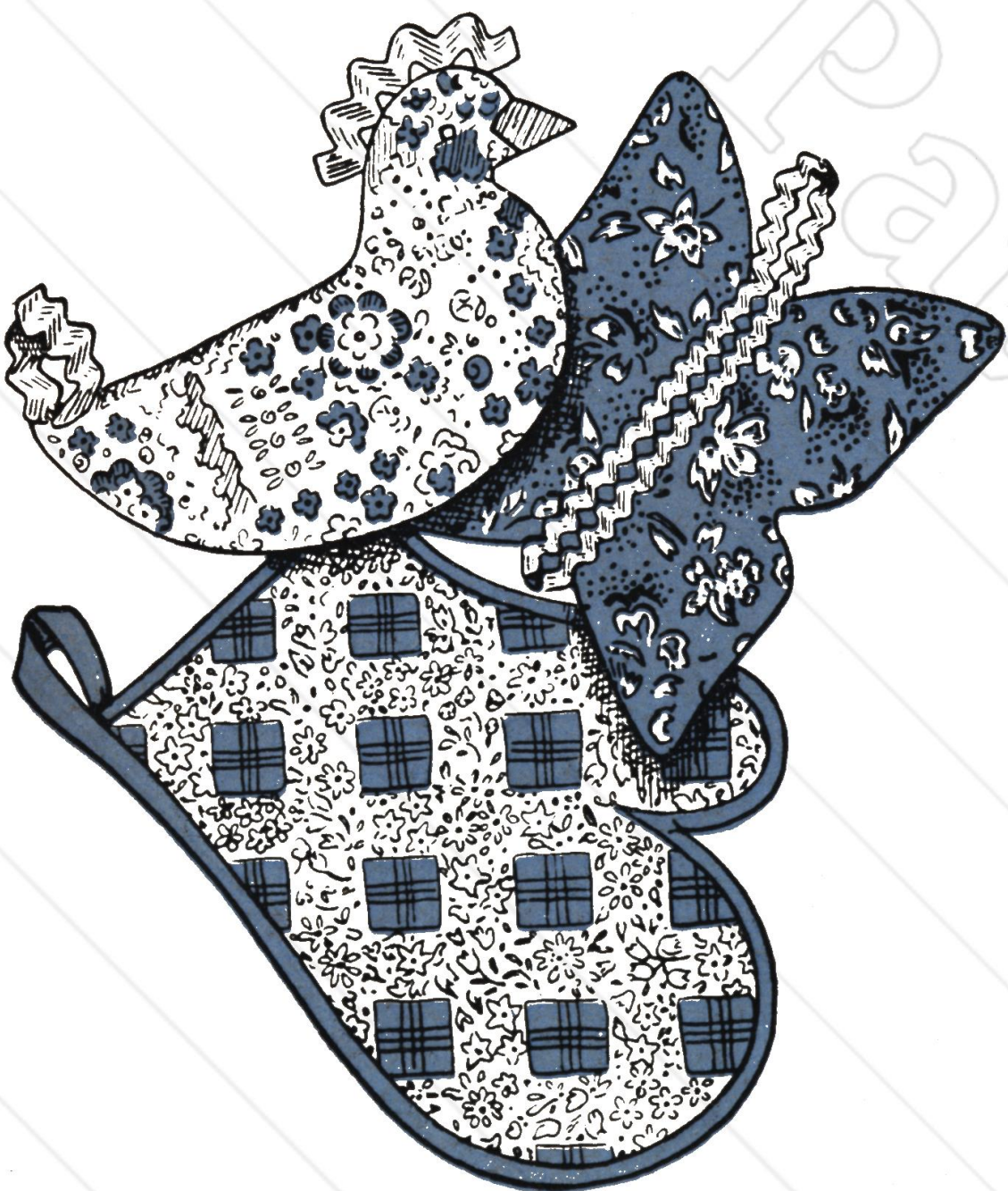
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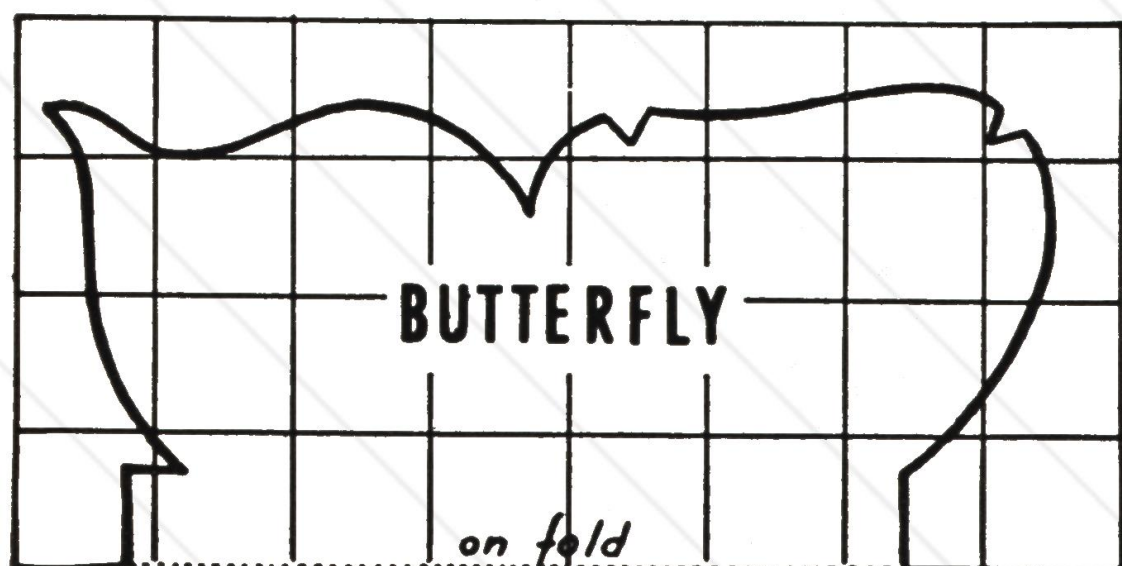


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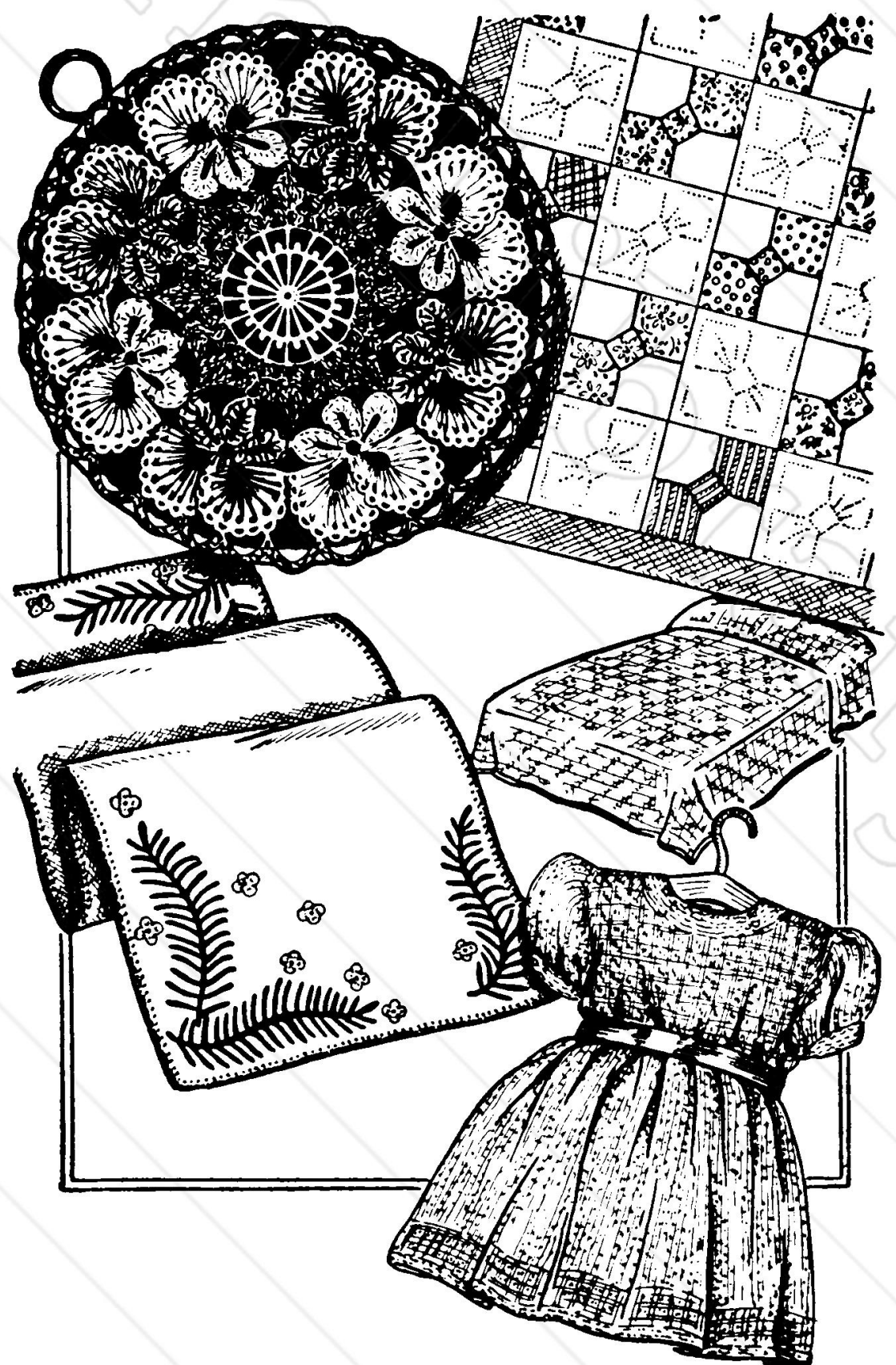
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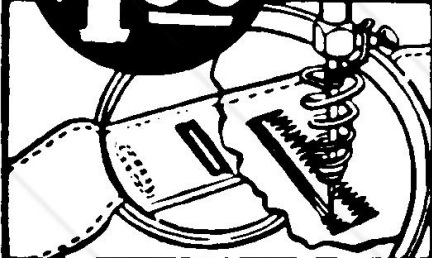
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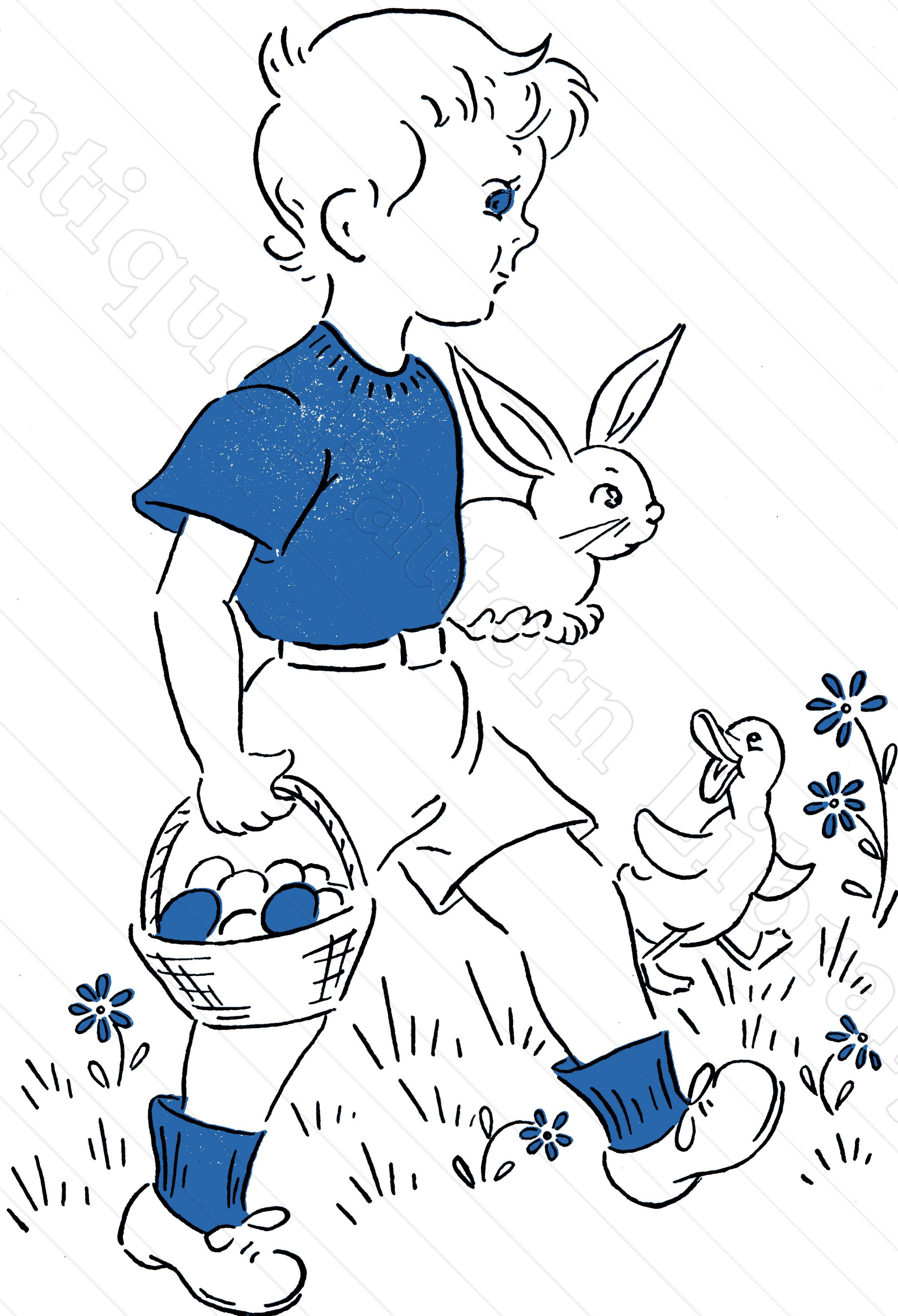
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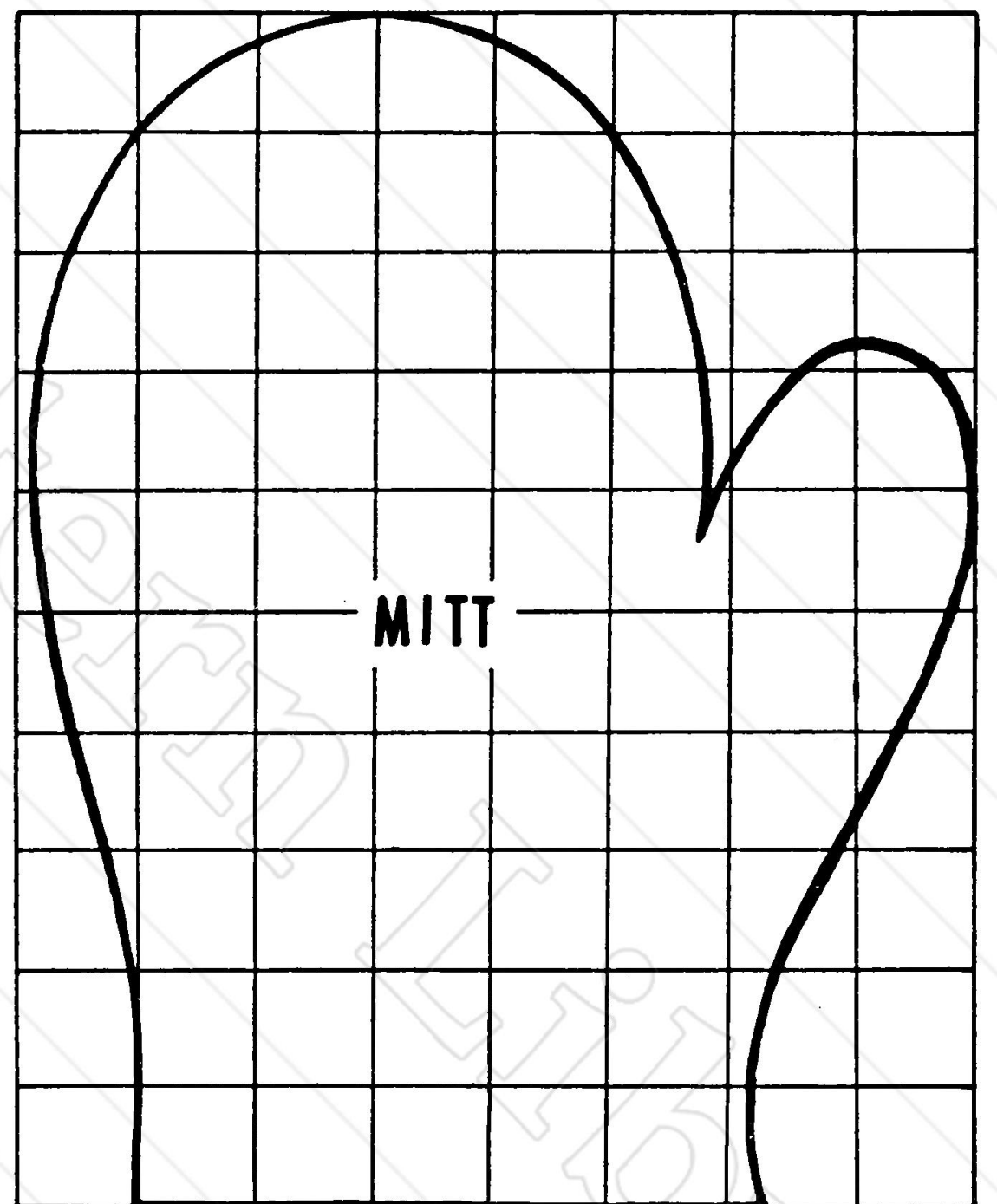
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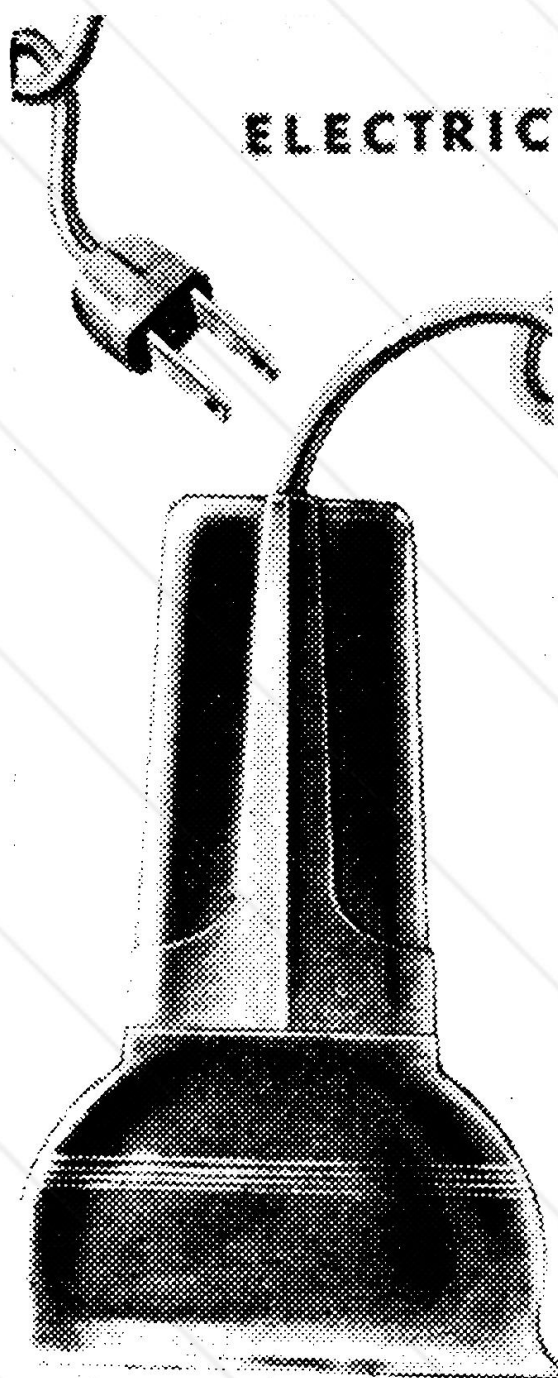
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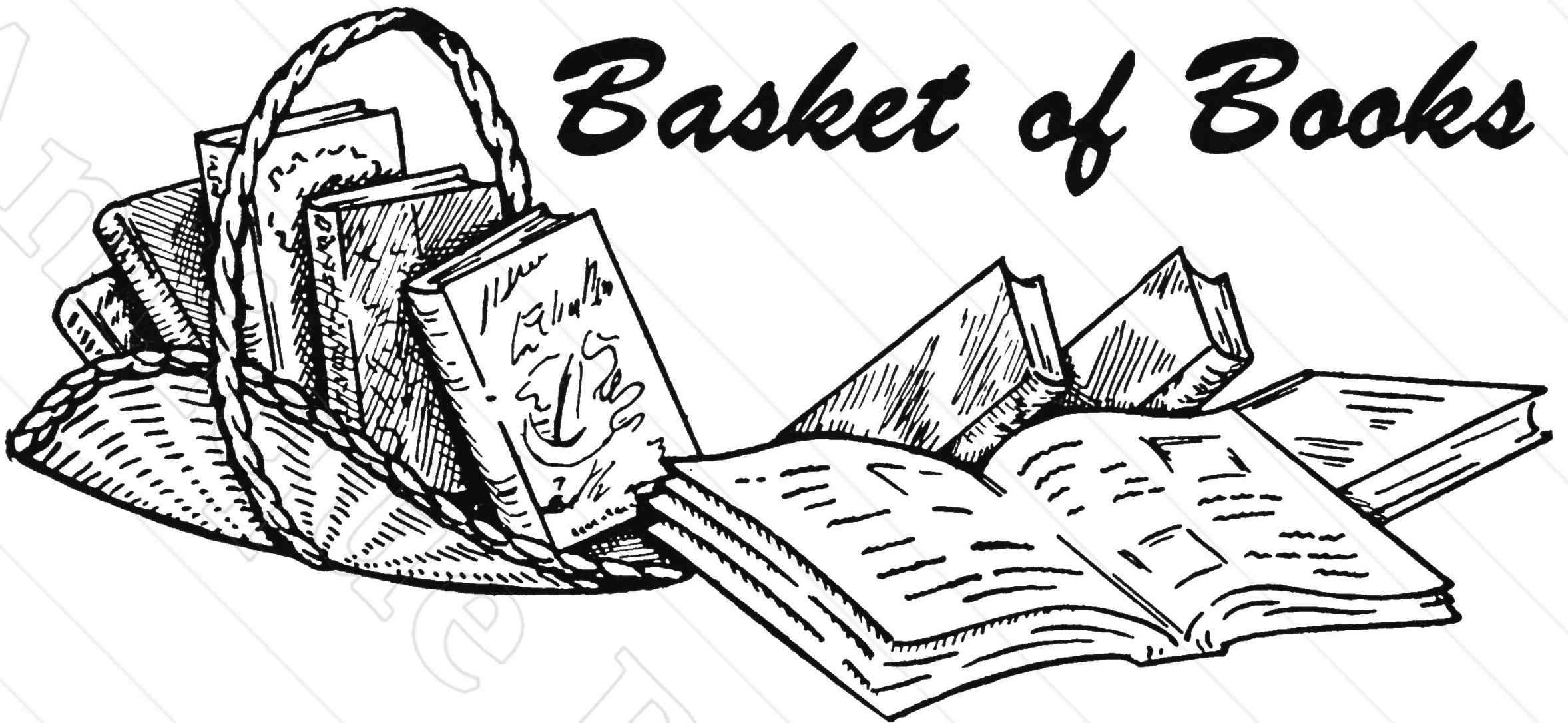


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Eve Tartar

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According to Miss Tartar, the seven fundamental hat shapes are the bonnet, the sailor, the beret, the tricorne, the turban, the pillbox, and the cloche. Everything else is an adaption of one of these basic styles and any one of these shapes is good, regardless of the current mode, if it suits the woman who is to wear it. Women with glasses, for instance, should wear hats that fit closely in back and jut forward. Veils draw attention away from a prominent nose, and berets and turbans tend to minimize necks that may be a bit long. Eve Tartar discusses the various types of faces in such detail that each reader should easily be able to identify her own and decide for herself the kind of hat that would frame it to best advantage.

To equip a millinery workroom one needs, primarily, articles that every woman already has in the house; that is, a teakettle with a long spout, a burner to heat water, an electric iron, a pad, some cheesecloth, and a brush, plusscissors, a thimble, pins and a tape

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measure. In addition to these things, one needs tailors' chalk, sizing and glue, wire nippers and milliners' needles. Miss Tartar suggests purchasing a block in one's head size but if that is not possible, she tells how a thoroughly satisfactory one may be made.

One of the more profitable chapters in the book and one that should send every interested woman to a perusal of her closet shelf is the one dealing with the renovation of old, discarded hats. Eve Tartar makes it all sound far simpler than it possibly will prove to be for a beginner, but after reading her detailed explanations and studying her illustrations one can't help believing that snipping off a brim here, adding a feather and a bit of ribbon there, and binding it all together with a few judicious stitches will produce a brand new hat. Certainly it's worth trying. According to her, something can be made of any old hat except one made of white pique. That one goes in the nearest ash can after old age sets in.

In her introduction, Eve Tartar points out that merely reading her book will not make one a milliner. To become truly skilled requires diligence and perseverance. However, as she says to all who have studied her book: "You now have more real substance to draw on than many a milliner has—certainly more than I had when I started twenty years ago! My book, in fact, is a compilation of the material which I've collected the hard way". It's a book well worth owning, one which should prove to be of inestimable value to women of all ages everywhere.

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is making its appearance again, in a limited edition, after having been out of print for many years. It might be well to point out, incidentally, that the term "pillow lace" does not refer to lace on pillows or pillow cases, but rather to the practice of making the lace on a pillow or bolster. This is an art that dates back to the fifteenth

century and through the years such names as Valenciennes, Mechlin, and Brussels have had and still do have a magical connotation for those who know and appreciate greatness in the realm of lace.

Like many crafts where individuality and imagination play a role of importance, pillow lace has suffered from the encroachments of the age of the machine. The authors admit that, to the uncultivated eye, it is often difficult to appreciate the difference between the hand-made and the machine-made articles. However, those differences definitely do exist, not only in the actual appearance of the lace itself, but also in its quality and durability. According to Elizabeth Mincoff, "the best flax thread is too soft to bear the tension needed by a machine, hence the 'poor' texture of machine laces whose thread has perforce been adulterated with cotton in order to make it more resisting."

According to the authors, pillow lace

became a neglected art because it requires a certain amount of concentration and serious study to master its fundamentals. They say, however, that the learning is not very formidable and that "a few simple turns of the bobbins, once thoroughly understood and remembered, form the key to the most intricate laces." Also encouraging to a beginner is the fact that even a novice, if she works correctly and carefully, cannot produce a piece of lace of bad quality. Right from the start her handiwork will have a professional look.

The tools necessary for the pursuance of the art of pillow lace making are simple, few in number and inexpensive. They consist of bobbins, a winder, and a stand. The pillow one can make oneself and the authors describe several types, giving instructions as to how to construct them and explaining the advantages of each type. In addition to the above items one needs only a small pair of embroidery scissors, some needles, pins, and, of course, thread. Various types of thread and their suitability are discussed in detail. The authors feel definitely, however, that the most successful is linen thread and stress the importance of getting the best possible quality.

Although many patterns, complete with careful instructions as to how to follow them, are included in this book, there is also a chapter telling how one may make one's own. There is also a chapter which deals with the varieties of pillow lace. The remainder of the book is devoted to telling and showing the reader just how to proceed in the making of a wide variety of lovely pieces of lace. Elizabeth Mincoff and Margaret Marriage write with intelligence and authority and obviously deserve the recognition their book has earned them through the years.

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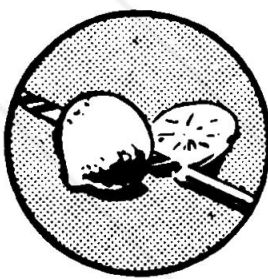
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