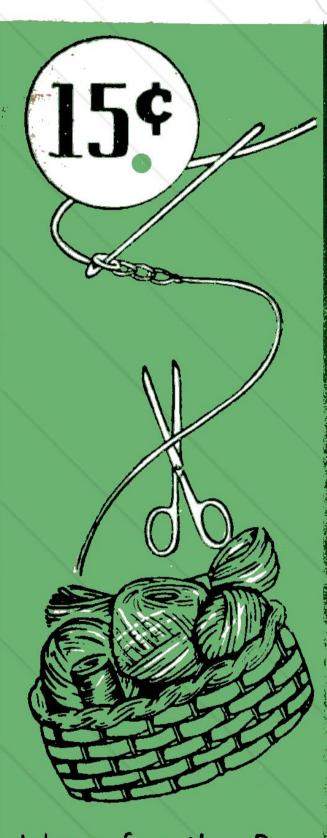
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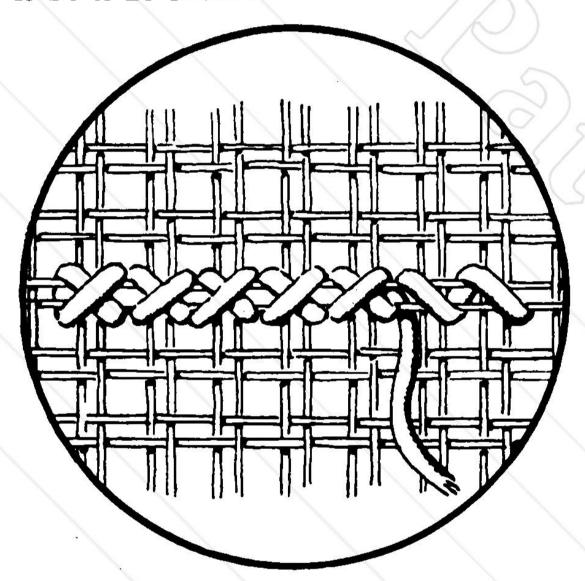
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Follow chart on page 4 and begin in upper right hand corner, leaving a one inch margin at top and side of rug. Work from right to left, using a single strand of yarn. Use the cross stitch as shown in sketch. Make 15 slanting stitches all in the same direction, then go back and make slanting stitches in the opposite direction to complete crosses. Keep cross stitches uniform,

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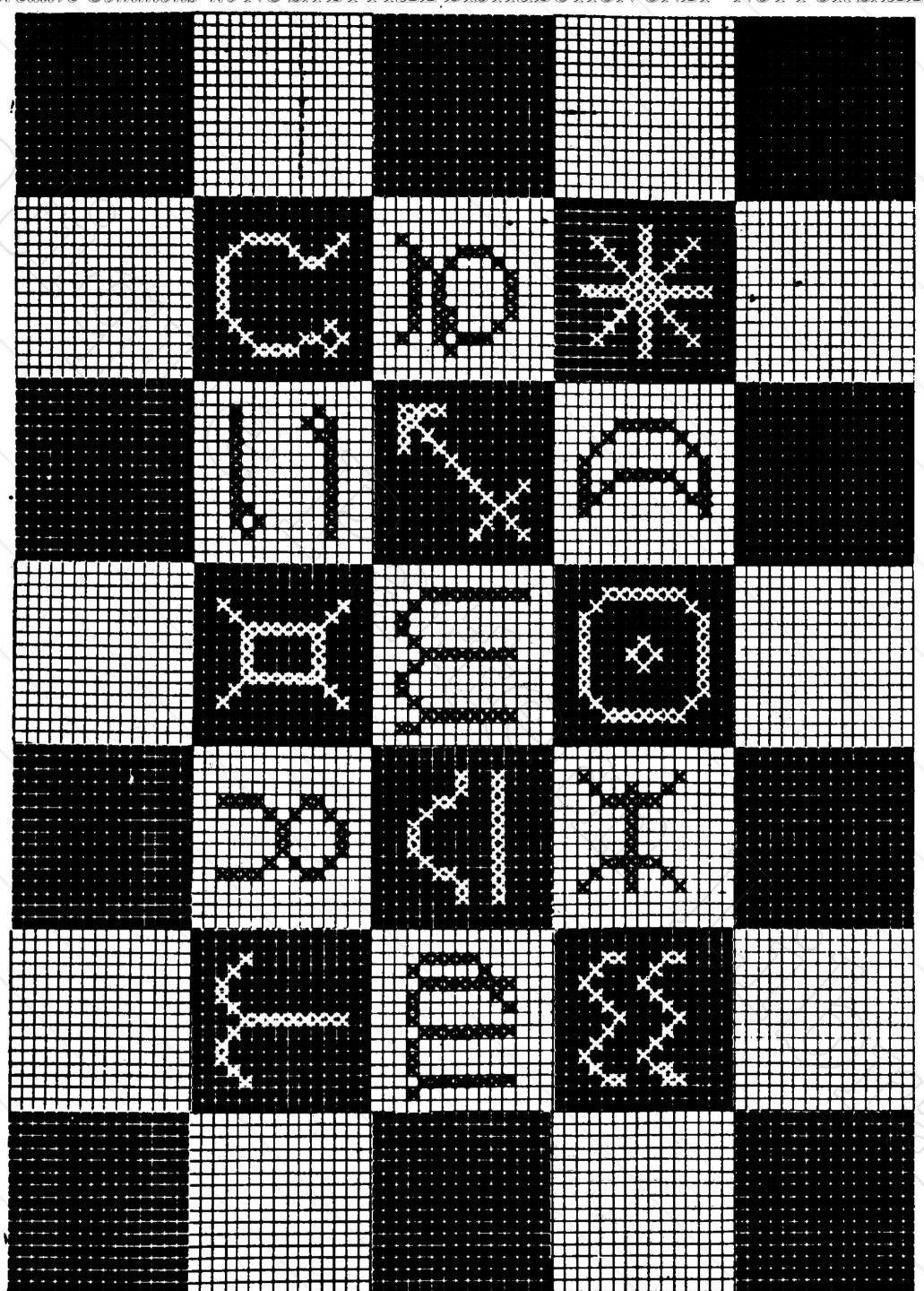
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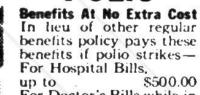
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Abbreviations: K (knit); p (purl);

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JACKET: Cast on 200 sts. K 6 rows.

Row 7: K 3 sts, p to last 3 sts, k 3 sts. Row 8: K this row.

Repeat 7th and 8th rows until work measures 6½ inches from bottom, ending with row 7. K 48 sts and put on st holder; bind off 5 sts for armhole, k 94 sts and put on st holder; bind off 5 sts for armhole, k 48 sts.

Left Front—K 3, p 45, turn. Bind off 2 sts, * k 3, sl 1, k 2 tog, psso, repeat from * across ending row with k 5. Change to number 1 needles, k 3, p 29, turn. K in stockinette st for 2 inches.

Neck-Bind off 13 sts at front edge for neck. K 1¼ inches in stockinette st. Bind off shoulder. Make other front to correspond.

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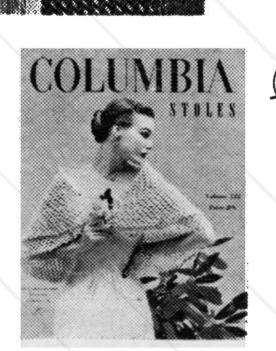
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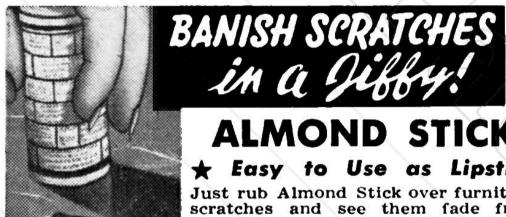
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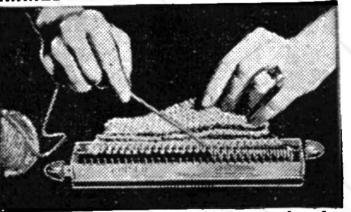
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Back-With number 2 needles and using 94 sts on st holder, bind off 2 sts at the beginning of row, p 92 sts, turn. Change to number 1 needles, bind off 2 sts, * k 3, sl 1, k 2 tog, psso, repeat from * across.

Row 3: Bind off 2 sts, p across.

Row 4: Bind off 2 sts, k across (58) sts. Work in stockinette st until yoke measures 3 inches above decrease.

Neck-K 19 sts, bind off 20 sts for neck, k 19 sts. Work 2 rows in stockinette st and bind off shoulder. Work other shoulder to match. Sew shoulder seams together.

Neckband-Pick up 72 sts on number 1 needles. K 6 rows and bind off.

Sleeve-With number 2 needles, pick up 10 sts each side of shoulder seam, turn. P 20 sts, pick up 10 sts along armhole edge, turn. K 30 sts, pick up 10 sts, turn. Use number 2 sock needles when work binds. P 40 sts, pick up 6 sts, to center underarm. Turn, k 46 sts, pick 6 sts, to center underarm. Continue knitting round and round on sock needles in stockinette st until sleeve is 61/4 inches long.

Cuff-K 2, k 2 tog, across. Holding yarn tight k 1 row, p 1 row for 6 rows and bind off loosely. Make other sleeve to match.

BONNET—Cast on 92 sts on number 2 needles. K 6 rows, k 1 inch in stockinette st. Change to number 1 needles, k 2, p 2 in ribbing for 34 inch. Change to number 2 needles, k 5½ inches in stockinette st, dec 2 sts in last row. Using number 2 sock needles, * k 2 tog, repeat from * across (27 sts on each of 3 needles). Join, k once around.

Row 3: K 7, k 2 tog, repeat around. Row 4: K, continue to dec in every other row until 6 sts remain on each needle. Cut yarn and draw through all

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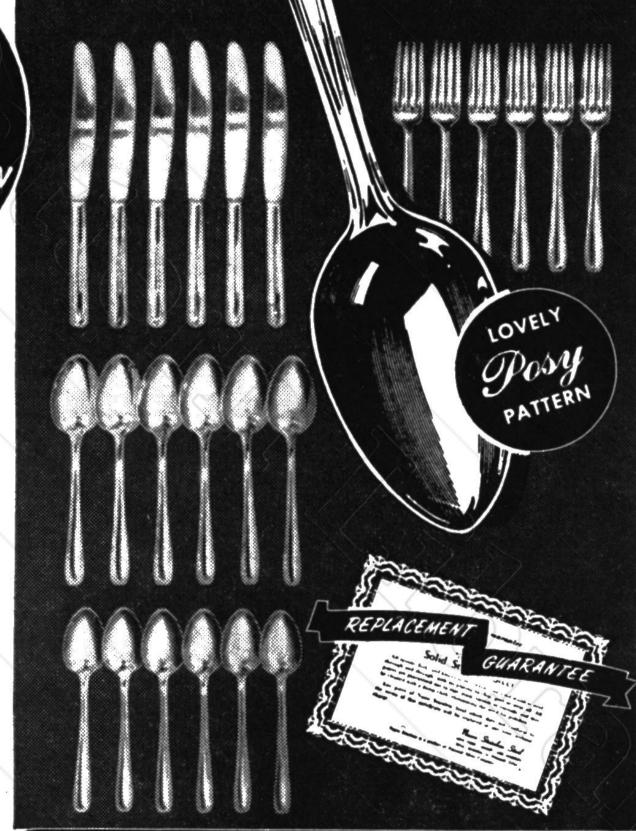


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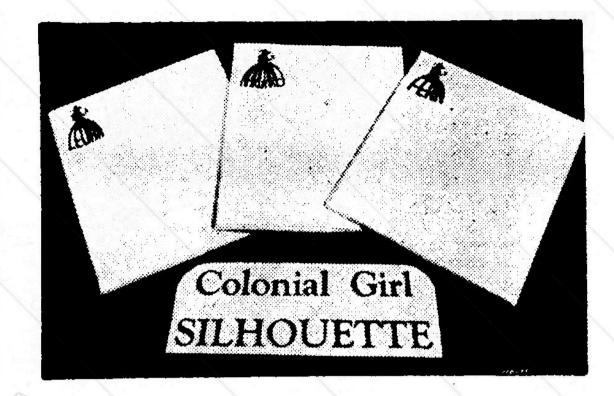
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Ch 6, sl st to form a ring, ch 1, 12 sc in ring. (Ch 3, pc st in next st, ch 3, sl st in next st) 6 times. Cut thread, leaving 6 or 8 inches. Thread needle with remaining thread and make a number of overcast sts over the center,



catching on the opposite side of the flower or going through to the back.

Starch flower and glue to earring base, or paint with clear nail polish or lacquer. Make another flower to correspond, and mount both on metal earring screws.

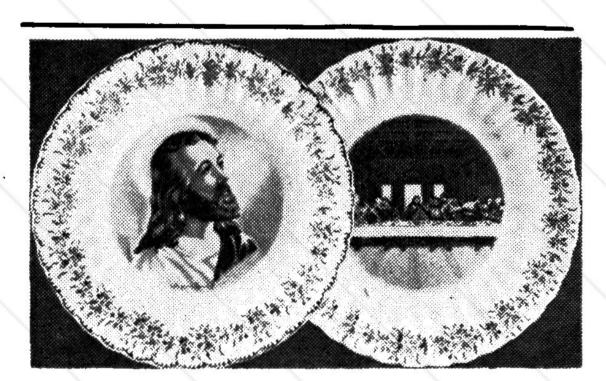
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the sts, fastening securely.

Fold front back to ribbing and work 1 row of sc across bottom. Row 2: Ch 3, sc into first sc of last row, * ch 1, sk 1 sc, dc into next sc, ch 3, sc in top of dc; repeat from * across. Run ribbon through last row for ties.

BOOTEES-Cast on 42 sts on number 1 needles, k 6 rows. K in stockinette st for 2 inches. * K 3, O, k 2 tog; repeat from * across, ending with k 2. P 1 row. K 16 sts and put on st holder, k 10 sts, put remaining 16 sts on st holder. K the center 10 sts in stockinette st (22 rows) for 2 inches, ending on p row. Cut yarn. Slip 16 sts from first st holder on needle, sl off onto needle having 10 sts, join yarn and k (first) 16 sts, pick up and k 11 end row sts along side, k 10 sts, pick up and k 11 end row sts along other side, k 16 sts from st holder (64 sts on needle). K 20 rows, bind off. Sew back and sole together and run ribbon around ankle.

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Abbreviations: Ch (chain); st (stitch); sl st (slip stitch); sk (skip); sp (space); sc (single crochet); dc (double crochet); lp (loop); tr (treble) -thread over hook twice and work off 2 lps at a time; tr cluster-retain last lp of each tr, thread over and pull through all lps at once; rnd (round); p (picot).

To begin, ch 8, join with sl st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3, 19 dc in ring, join in third st of ch.

Rnd 2: Ch 7, sk 1 dc, dc in next dc, * ch 4, sk 1 dc, dc in next dc, repeat from * around; ch 4, join in third st of ch 7 (10 sps in all).

Rnd 3: Ch 1, * 3 sc, ch 3, 3 sc in

next sp, repeat from * around, join. Rnd 4: * 7 dc in next ch-3 lp, sc over next dc of previous rnd, repeat from * around.

Rnd 5: Ch 8, sc in center st of next scallop, * ch 5, dc in next sc between scallops, ch 5, sc in center st of next scallop, repeat from * around, ch 5, join in third st of ch.

Rnd 6: Sl st to center of lp, * ch 6, sc in next lp, repeat from * around.

Rnd 7: Sl st into lp, * ch 5, 2 tr cluster st in same sp, ch 5, sl st in next lp, repeat from * around.

Rnd 8: Sl st to top of cluster st, * ch 8, sc in top of next cluster st, re-

peat from * around.

Rnd 9: Ch 7, dc in next lp, * ch 4, dc in next sc, ch 4, dc in next lp, repeat from * around, ch 4, join in third st of ch.

Rnd 10: Same as rnd 6. Rnd 11: Same as rnd 7.

Rnd 12: Sl st to top of cluster st, * ch 7, sc in top of next cluster st, repeat from * around ending rnd with ch 3, tr in first cluster st, this brings thread in position for next rnd.

Rnd 13: * Ch 7, sc in next lp, repeat from * all around, ending rnd with ch

3, tr in tr.

Rnd 14: * Ch 8, sc in next lp, repeat from * around ending with ch 8, sc in tr.

Rnd 15: Sl st into lp, ch 4, 2 tr cluster in same sp, ch 4, 3 tr cluster st in same sp, ch 4, work a 3 tr cluster st in same sp, * ch 4, sc in next lp, ch 4, three 3 tr cluster sts with ch 4 between each cluster st in next lp, repeat from * around ending rnd with ch 4, sc in next lp, ch 4, join.

Rnd 16: Sl st into lp, * ch 6, sc in next lp, ch 6, tr in next sc, ch 6, sk l lp, sc in next lp, repeat from * around

ending rnd to correspond.

Rnd 17: Sl st into lp, ch 4 and work three 3 tr cluster sts with ch 4 between each cluster st in same sp, * ch 6, sk

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Crepe Paper Rope Craft

Martha Graham

Empty coffee cans, oatmeal boxes, mustard and mayonnaise jars, gloss starch and crepe paper may not sound like very interesting material around which to build a fascinating hobby; however, those items are my main stock in trade with which I create many unusual and pretty articles for my home.

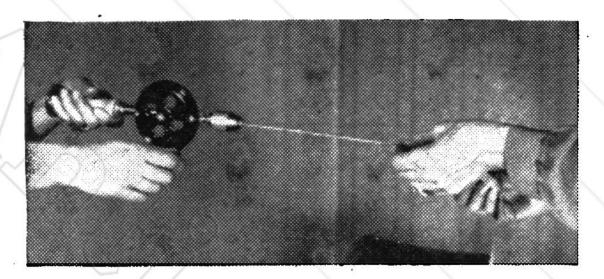
A couple of years ago I was entertained in the home of a friend, living in a neighboring town. On her kitchen table sat an unusually attractive bright red and white cake cover-the metal type cover that fits over a cake plate. I remarked how beautiful it was. She laughed when I said I'd like to have one like it but I surmised it cost a lot more than my rather flat purse could stand at that time. "My neighbor made it for me-it's surprising how little it cost," she said. I urged her to tell me more. She enlightened me only slightly when she told me it was accomplished by using an electric mixer, crepe paper, glue and shellac. I stood mute in unbelief. I just couldn't figure out the connection between an electric beater and crepe paper. How anything so attractive could be produced from such unrelated things had me puzzled beyond words.

"It's my old cover wrapped in crepe paper rope," she further informed me.

I asked if she thought her friend might be persuaded to teach me how to do this intricate appearing work. She assured me we wouldn't have to go to her neighbor for instructions as she, too, knew how to do crepe paper rope decorating. She then showed me a shortening jar she had transformed into a useful and handsome cookie jar. I could hardly wait until we had the supper dishes washed so I could have my first lesson in this craft which so intrigued me.

My friend first showed me a quick and easy way to prepare the crepe paper for the rope making process. Without removing the wrapper from the bolt of crepe paper, she cut a strip one and one quarter inches wide, using the wrapper as a guide in cutting the paper the proper width. She then unwound the strip and slightly stretched the whole length of the strip. Then she brought out her electric mixer; that was the part that so mystified me.





One person turns the crank of a carpenter's drill while another holds the crepe paper until the desired length is evenly twisted into a rope.

I waited with bated breath to see just what would happen when the current was turned on. I fully expected to see bits of crepe paper flying in all directions in the kitchen. She first removed the egg beater from the bowl, then attaching one end of the crepe paper strip to the flange of the beater, she set it upright with the whip and shaft at right angles to the operator. At this point she informed me I was to be the operator. Frankly, I was scared!

My friend held the strip taut between her fingers within a few feet of the beater. Telling me to turn on the current she backed slowly away as the spinning wheel-whip twisted the paper strip into an even, firm rope about twelve feet in length. After I had shut off the beater, she still held the rope firmly, since to release it before it ceased twisting would result in tangles. It is necessary to hold it only a few moments—just until there is no motion left in the rope. We then wound the rope onto cardboard spools to have ready when we began the actual decorating.

I lamented the fact I didn't have an electric beater and wondered just how I would make the rope when I returned to my home. Even at this early stage of the game, I had so many things in mind to cover with this beautiful, yet sturdy, rope that I knew it would be altogether too slow a process to twist it by hand. Together we put on our "thinking caps" to devise some





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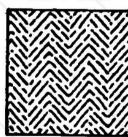
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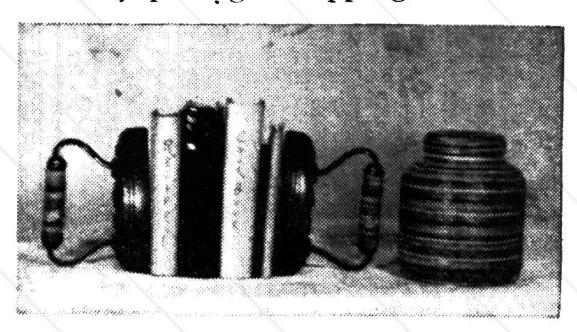
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means of making the rope without a beater. Finally we thought of using a hand drill, such as carpenters use in boring holes in wood. My friend's husband has such a tool so the next day we did a bit of experimenting. We found the drill to have some advantages over the electric beater. For one thing, the speed can be regulated more easily; also, there seemed to be less breaking of the strips during the roping process. However, there is more labor involved for the person whose job it is to turn the crank of the drill, although the task is not too tiring if the two people making the rope exchange jobs frequently.

The drill bit is removed from the chuck and one end of the crepe paper is inserted into the opening made by the removal of the bit. The band, which ordinarily holds the bit, is tight-

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ened to hold the paper securely in place. The procedure is then the same as when using the electric beater. The size of the rope depends on the width the crepe paper is cut. Strips cut one and one-quarter inches in width will, when twisted, make rope about the size of heavy package wrapping cord.



Mrs. Graham used multiple colors to cover a large size shortening jar. Handles of the sadirons were wrapped with the same colors.

With a supply of rope now made, my friend started me on my lesson of covering a small, straight-sided jar. Using a special liquid glue, she had me brush a liberal amount on the lower portion of the jar. I then started at the bottom of the jar, pressing the rope round and round, all the time keeping a plentiful supply of glue on the jar as well as the rope. There is no need to be careful about smearing the glue over the object being covered as it is transparent and disappears under the coat of shellac which is given each finished article. I continued the wrapping process until the whole jar was covered. With the sides of the jar completed I proceeded similarly to cover the lid. I first formed a small circle with the rope, then glued it on the center of the lid, shaping each row of rope around it until the lid was completely covered. I soon found this phase of the work really makes one "sticky fingered" so it is advisable to have a damp cloth at hand for use as needed.

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Corner Edging

A beautiful edging such as this can give a touch of elegance to fine linens. Size 30 thread and a number 11 crochet hook will make the edging about 134 inches wide. A larger edging may be made by using a heavier thread and a larger crochet hook. White or any desired color could be used.

Abbreviations Ch (chain); dc (double crochet); p (picot); sp

(space); sk (skip).

Ch 4, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in fourth st from hook, ch 3, turn, shell of (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in first shell, ch 3, turn.

Row 1: Shell over shell, ch 3, (shell, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-3, ch 3 to turn all rows.

Row 2: Shell in each ch-2 sp with ch 2 between, ch 3, dc in each of next 3 dc, shell over shell, turn.

Row 3: Shell, dc in each of next 6 dc, ch 3, shell in each of next three ch-2 sps with ch 2 between, turn.

Row 4: Shell over shell with ch 3 between, ch 3, dc in each of next 9 dc, shell, turn.

Row 5: Shell, dc in each of next 12 dc, ch 3, shell in shell with ch 4 between, turn.

Row 6: (Dc, ch 4, sl st in third st from hook for a p) 6 times in each shell with ch 5 between picot groups, ch 3, dc in each of next 15 dc, shell, turn.

To start next group: (Shell, turn) twice, then repeat from row 1 for desired length. To turn rows 1, 3, and 5: join row 1 to third dc of 18 dc group, sl st in each of next 3 sts and continue with the next row. Join rows 3 and 5 by sk 2 sts from sl st, join in next st, sl st in next 3 sts, and continue with the next row.

To turn a corner, ch 3, after row 6 is finished, (shell, ch 2, 3 dc) in shell, ch 3, join with sl st to third dc of 18-dc group, sl st in next 3 dcs, ch 3, turn.



Row 2: 3 dc in each of next 3 sps with ch 2 between, ch 2, dc in each of the last 3 dc, shell over first ch-3 of row 1, dc in ch-3 of last row 4, ch 3, turn.

Row 3: Shell, dc in each of 6 dc, (ch 2, 3 dc in sp) 4 times, ch 3, sk 2 dc of group, join with sl st in next st, sl st in next 3 sts, turn.

Shell over first ch 3 below, then work rows 4, 5, and 6 as before. Each corner has 5 shells instead of three.



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and a number 7 crochet hook. The hoops are covered with ribbon of the same color as thread used or you can use thread to cover hoops.

Abbreviations: Ch (chain); st (stitch); sk (skip); sc (single crochet); sp (space); sl st (slip stitch); tr (treble)—thread over 3 times, work off 2 lps at a time; dtr (double treble—thread over 4 times, work off 2 lps at a time; lp

(loop); p (picot).

First cover embroidery hoop with ribbon or thread. Join yellow in edge 6 inches from corner of one wash cloth, * ch 7, sk about ¾ inch sp on wash cloth, sc in edge of cloth, repeat from * to corner, ch 7, sc in same sp, (ch 7, sk ¾ inch sp, sc in edge of cloth) for 6 inches. Place second wash cloth on top of first, insert hook 6 inches from corner of second cloth and working through both cloths, continue around, working last corner like first. Join with sl st where 2 cloths are joined.

Row 2: Turn and with inside of free sections toward you, sl st to center of first lp of second cloth, ch 4 (for a tr), tr in same place, ch 3, 2 tr in same place, * shell of 2 tr, ch 3, 2 tr in center st of next lp, repeat from * around all free edges, join in 4th st

of ch.

Row 3: Ch 3, sl st in same sp for a p, * (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in center of shell, sl st between shells, ch 3 p, repeat from * around, cut thread.

With right side of lps of first row toward you and working around lower edge of bag, join yellow in p above joining of two cloths, shell in center st of first lp, * shell in center st of next lp, repeat from * to opposite side, sl st in p above joining, cut thread, do not turn.

Next Row: Join yellow in first tr of first shell around lower edge, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in same shell, * sk 2 tr, sl st in next tr, ch 3, sl st in same sp, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in center of next shell, repeat from * around to opposite side ending row with sl st in last tr of lower edge, cut thread.

Fold corners down as illustrated, join yellow at one end where cloths



are joined and work a row of lps around folded edges, which form bag opening.

Row 2: Sl st to center of first lp and work a shell in center st of each lp, join.

Row 3: Sl st to center of shell, * ch 7, sc in center of next shell, repeat from * around, ch 3, tr in last sl st.

Row 4: Ch 4, (tr, ch 3, 2 tr) in center of shell below, * shell in center st of next lp, repeat from * around, join.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 once, then repeat the third row once.

Row 8: Working over hoop, * ch 15, bring ch backward; sc in next lp,

(ch 15, bring ch forward, sc in next lp) twice, repeat from * around in same manner ending row to correspond, join and cut thread.

Handle — Beading: With yellow, make a ch 25 inches or slightly longer than desired length, sc in second st from hook, * ch 7, sk 7 sts of ch, dtr in next st, repeat from * until beading measures 23 inches, ch 7, sk 7 sts, sc in next st, cut off remainder of ch, do not turn.

Row 2: Ch 4, * shell in center st of next lp, repeat from * to last lp, ch 4, sc in sc, working on other side of beading, ch 4, (shell in center st of next shell) repeat around to last lp, ch 4, sl st in sc, do not turn.

Row 3: 4 sc in first lp, sc in each of next 2 trs, 2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc in lp of shell, * sk 2 tr, sl st in next tr, ch 3, sl st in same sp, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in lp of next shell, repeat from * to last shell of first side, sc in each of the next 2 tr of same shell, 4 sc in next lp, sc in sc, 4 sc in next lp, sc in each of the first 2 trs of next shell, 2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc in lp of same shell, continue all around in same manner ending row to correspond, join and cut thread. Lace ribbon through beading and sew to each end of hoop.





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Storks for Showers

The necessity of something different for a cradle shower set my imagination working after a friend had said, "We tried to rent a stork but it had already



been rented." "Why couldn't I make one?" I asked. In a couple hours' time I constructed one out of stove pipe wire, four clothes pins, a bar of soap and two pieces of crepe paper. The bar of soap is used to hold the bird down. Legs and neck of wire (used double) are attached to three clothes pins wired flat for the body. The wire legs are bent slightly at the base and pushed into the soap at an angle so as to make the stork stand upright. One clothes

pin is used for the head and bill.

After constructing the frame work, I cover the entire body except the bill with strips of crepe paper (about one inch wide works best). I like the white storks best although some prefer the blue or pink ones. The wings are cut from double thickness of white and glued to body and tacked at top to give a flying position. Orange crayon is used to color bill and slightly shaded over legs. Black eyes, mouth and nostrils are made with black crayons. A crown is cut from some gilt paper. Pink and blue bootees made from either crepe paper or outing flannel are attached to ribbon and hung from the bill. A small piece of cotton in each bootee will make it hang better. The base can be covered with cotton, angel's hair, flower petals or whatever will make it look best for your center piece. The completed stork is about 22 inches high. In the last eight years I have made several and sold them. A stork ready to use is sold for \$2 while one made from materials furnished by the customer nets me \$1 for labor.

Mrs. W. H. Young.



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ample, which I sell at 50 cents per hundred names to mail order businesses dealing in baby merchandise. Most newspapers contain other lists, free for the taking, and worth extra cash, especially to a shut-in like me. It's easy, as I always read the newspapers anyway. I clip the names daily, but usually wait until I have a hundred, then type them into neat lists. Then I contact concerns dealing in baby merchandise, usually by letter—tell them how many names I can supply—and from what localities.

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Fall election of officers in many clubs will take place during this month. All-day meetings with a barbecue, or a covered dish luncheon usually are popular. For most clubs a busy year has passed and the members are eagerly looking forward to another successful year.

Plans for the Christmas bazaar will begin in October for some clubs. One has already written and told us that their group is to have a glove making demonstration this month. Then some of the members will make several pairs for their annual bazaar and also take special orders. For some members of this particular club, glove making is not entirely new; three of these members make them season after season for their regular customers. They make them of leather, suede or pigskin. One member makes the purses to match.

Roll Call Suggestions

- 1. Bulbs that should be set out this month.
- 2. Ideas for the late fall and Christmas bazaar.
- 3. Suggest name of good book to read this winter.
- 4. Describe briefly, a Halloween costume that can be made at home.

Program Suggestion

A Christmas Party in October

Mrs. Earl A. Iliff

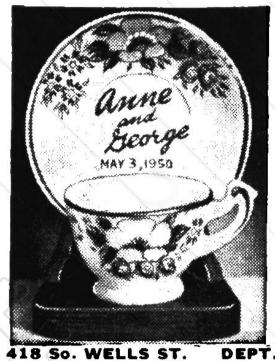
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Then comes October and time for the party. Invite your guests with invitations written on old Christmas cards. Cut off the formal or personal message and write your own, or use plain note paper and decorate with Christmas seals, emblems, or hand constructed designs. Ask each guest to bring her old cards, scissors, crayons, paints, ribbons, pencils or anything that will help to construct new cards from the old ones. Oh, didn't I tell you? Why, you and your guests are going to cut up your old cards, preserving the good parts. From these your party will design new cards, place cards, "just a note" cards, name cards, package decoration, tree trimmings or anything your fertile brains can invent. Your imagination might run wild, but what fun.

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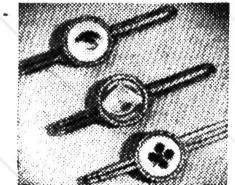
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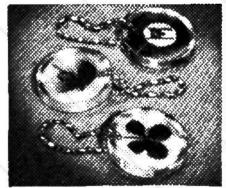
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I hope you will find enough ideas in this article to set your fingers and your brains into action. So save and have fun, too.

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Each player is given a small nut cup filled with alphabet macaroni. At a signal, each tries to spell out as many words associated with the holiday or occasion of the party as she can with letters she finds in her cup.

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Steep tea for about five minutes in 2 cups of boiling water; strain and dissolve sugar in warm liquid. Add fruit juice and remainder of boiling water. Arrange lemon slices on top of punch. Serve hot; 20 servings.

Apple Cup Cakes

- 1 cup sugar
- l egg
- ½ cup shortening
- 1 cup fresh chopped apples
- ½ cup seedless raisins
- ½ cup chopped nut meats
- 1/2 cup sour milk or buttermilk
 - 1 teaspoon cloves
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon salt
 - l teaspoon soda
 - 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1½ cups flour

(do not use cake flour)

Cream sugar and shortening. Add the egg, then dry ingredients and milk. Lastly, add the chopped apples, raisins and nuts. Stir only until mixture is thoroughly blended. Pour into muffin pans. Bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees. Makes 15 to 18.

These are moist cup cakes and can be kept well in a home freezer if desired.

Miss Hazel Tewalt Ohio

Hamburgers!

What does that word mean to you? A picnic, with luscious meat filling cooked over an open fire, ready to be popped between halves of a tender bun? A snack at the game, a quick lunch to still that sudden hunger? A satisfying main course at home? A hamburger can be all these. It is an institution as American as baseball. And yet, as its name implies, it originated in the German city generations ago as an entirely different food treat. Originally this morsel of chopped, browned and seasoned meat was a thin slice, pounded to a fine degree of tenderness, nicely seasoned and rolled into a tight roll, then browned and simmered in stock. It appears now in many forms in different countries, differently prepared. A traveler recently reported that nothing ever looked or tasted quite as good to her as a simple hamburger in Japan, the recipe evidently picked up from the favorite habits of U.S. service men.

Basically, hamburgers are made with one or more varieties of meat, raw or cooked, shaped into patties; they may be very thin, or up to an inch thick. While they are usually grilled, or fried, they can be baked, broiled or barbecued. Entirely aside from the method, however, hamburgers are not to be mistreated by overcooking, for they are much better when slightly underdone than when they are hard and dry. Too much shaping and flattening often results in hard patties.

While we think by and large of the hamburger as chopped meat in a bun, often used as a snack, it can become

the basis for a whole meal or actually make the meal. French fries seem to have become a natural accompaniment and a slice or two of red ripe tomato with lettuce or a dip of perfectly seasoned slaw would not be amiss.

Regardless of the effort put into preparation, a hamburger can be no better than the meat from which it is made. Buy the best your budget allows and have it ground—some people like it ground twice. Chuck or round of beef are best, but other portions may





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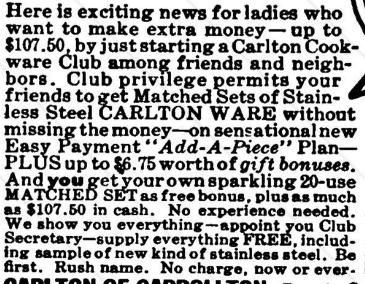
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Many taste variations are possible. Some cooks add a quarter cup of water per pound; others use milk, tomato juice or catsup. Some add an egg and a half cupful of soaked bread crumbs; others extend with a cup of very finely crushed cornflakes. A medium potato,

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There are more finishing touches than any one person can mention usually the popular hamburger bun is used singly or in paired halves. Perhaps the overall favorite is thinly sliced onion and pickle with a thin slice of cheese added for flavor and nutritive value.

Barbecue sauce, parsley butter, garlic butter, mustard, catsup, crumbled blue cheese, India relish, mushroom sauce—in fact, combinations without number top the succulent hamburger. You might like to place a rounded spoonful of stuffing, containing bread, onion, celery, sage and other desired seasoning on a thin patty and cover all with another layer of meat for stuffed hamburgers; these are best baked.

The technique of a popular hamburger chef is interesting to watch. One slices his buns flat on his cutting board while the patties are sizzling on his fairly dry grill. He flattens the meat, seasons and turns it, seasons again, then places a thin slice of cheese on top of that, cut side of lower half of bun down. When ready, he lifts all with his spatula, then slips top half of bun under spatula and deftly turns all right side up-result, a cheeseburger. He adds his garnish to the plate all in the twinkling of an eye, thus losing no time, no flavor.

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I have come a long way since bedecking that little jar two years ago. I have devised many different ideas in covering various articles, yet the method my friend taught me has remained generally the same. However, I have made one change—that of making a satisfactory substitute for the glue. I now use a paste which I make by dissolving one tablespoon gloss starch in three tablespoons cold water; next, pouring one-half cup boiling water over the dissolved starch, I boil it about a minute. When cooled, I find this paste to be equally as good as the glue, which is much more expensive to use. I have used it on glass, tin and cardboard with gratifying results.

The procedure is basically the same in covering all boxes and jars yet the results are strikingly different. For in-

stance, the one-pound coffee can I bedecked in bold, vivid colors looked vastly different from a box of a similar size that I covered with delicate pink and blue rope. A bouquet, which I made by shaping bits of different pastel colored rope into tiny flowers and pasting in clusters on top the rope covered box, added to its daintiness. Likewise, there is a wide difference in the use to which I put these receptacles. The coffee can is used to hold-of all things -coffee! Now wearing its bright new dress it can stand unashamed on my kitchen work table; the pink and blue box holds its own on my very best dressing-table, where it serves as a handy trinket box. Beside it sits a powder box and tiny perfume bottle similarly decorated. Together they make a set that has won many compliments.

Using an oval cardboard container



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for the lower portion, I made a sewing bag which is as useful as it is attractive. I covered the cardboard with black rope, with the exception of several rows near the top. From a piece of black silk material I made a drawstring type top which I attached to the unfinished portion of the cardboard bottom by sewing it securely into position with heavy thread. I then wrapped the bag with rope until the cardboard was completely covered. After two coats of shellac the rope took on a lustrous appearance. Great care must be taken to avoid getting either the paste or shellac on the silk lest it become spotted.



Containers at the right in this picture are the type of things Mrs. Martha Graham transforms into the objects displayed on the left.

I made a smaller bag, using part of an oatmeal box for the lower portion. Multiple colors of rope achieved a colorful bag suggestive of the type one sees in shops south of the border. With the same array of colors I converted a large shortening container into a cookie jar, the Mexican accent giving added color to my kitchen, as well as serving as a companion piece to the pair of old flat irons, painted red, that I use as book-ends for my recipe books. The handles of the irons came in for a bit of the rope treatment, when I wrapped each handle with colors to match the cookie jar.

An old lamp base, somewhat battered and no longer attractive, lent

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Abbreviations: Ch (chain); dc (double crochet); hdc (half double crochet—thread over as for a dc, insert hook in st, pull lp through, thread over and pull lp through all three lps on hook at once); lps (loops); st (stitch);

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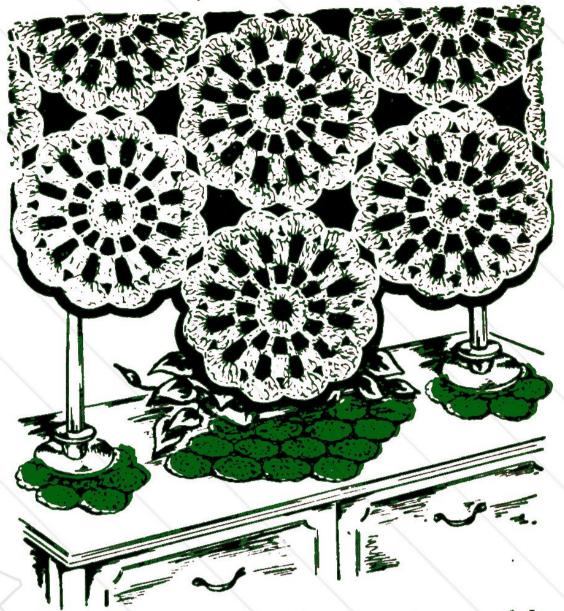
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sp (space); sk (skip); sl st (slip stitch); rnd (round).

Medallion: Ch 12, join in first st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3, 23 hdc in ring, join to

third st in ch-3.

Rnd 2: Ch 5, * sk 1 hdc, dc in next hdc, ch 2; repeat from * around; join last ch 2 in third st of ch 5.

Rnd 3: Ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, * ch 5, 3 dc in next sp; repeat from * around; join.

Rnd 4: Sl st across the 3 dcs and into ch 5, (ch 3, 6 dc, hdc) in ch 5, * (7 dc, hdc) in next ch 5; repeat from * around, join, cut and fasten thread.

Second Medallion: Repeat directions to rnd 3.

Rnd 4: Sl st over to ch 5, (ch 3, 6 dc, 1 hdc) in ch 5, (3 dc, sl st to center of petal of first medallion, 4 dc, hdc) in each of next two ch 5, * (7 dc, hdc) in next ch 5; repeat from * around; join, cut and fasten thread.

Small doily has 7 medallions, center doily contains 16 medallions. Each medallion is joined in two petals to adjoining medallions.

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itself well to being wrapped with black and lime green rope. When fitted with a matching shade, I had a "good as new" lamp. Salt and pepper shakers, coldcream jars and innumerable other objects were, in turn, transformed into new beauty.

My friends urge me to make these rope decorated items for sale but, since my time is limited for working on such things, I have devoted most of my efforts to making them to give as gifts and for my own use. However, the possibility of using a craft, such as this as a money-making proposition is great. The materials are inexpensive the variety of objects to be decorated with crepe paper rope is limited only by one's imagination. The cost of equipment needed for the work is likewise slight. A hand drill, such as

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I use, can be purchased for less than \$3. A nut pick, or a similar pointed instrument, is useful to have for pressing ends of the rope into close spaces. One's fingers are, of course, the all important other tools for the work.

The satisfaction I gain by converting cast away articles into highly desirable objects of usefulness for my home and as gifts is what makes this type of work so fascinating to me. I've literally been "roped in" by my rope craft hobby.

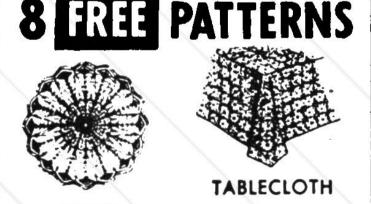


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I have six hydrangeas that look healthy but will not bloom. Please tell me how to make them bloom. H. W., Indiana.

Hydrangeas are divided into two groups, greenhouse hydrangeas and hardy hydrangeas. The greenhouse



hydrangeas will grow outdoors and will come up each year but seldom bloom. Their buds are formed during the summer and fall and are frozen during the winter. If they are grown in tubs and are taken inside to a frost proof place and kept dormant until spring they will bloom year after year. All pruning must be done in early summer. Fall pruning will destroy the terminal buds. Practically every branch should give a good flower head as long as the end bud is not injured over winter. To tell how to handle a hydrangea to make it bloom one must first know the variety. The oak-leaved hydrangea is grown in the north for its foliage since the top is usually frozen to the ground and few flowers are produced. Hydrangea arborescens and hydrangea P.G. both bloom freely and easily outdoors.

I set out three rose of Sharon bushes and they grew beautifully for a while. Suddenly the leaves and buds turned yellow and

dropped. What does it take to grow this shrub? I used Hyponex plant food, but they died anyway. Mrs. H. D., Texas.

Hibiscus syriacus should be easy to grow in your state. Given a moderately rich soil and a moderate amount of moisture the hibiscus should become a bushy dense shrub in short order. The sudden death of your plants was probably due either to borers or overfeeding. An overdose of plant food may kill a plant very quickly and hyponex is a concentrated food. Destroy the dead plants and replace in the spring and watch for evidence of borers near the surface of the ground. Or better still, for the first two years keep the stem of the plant, from the ground up for a foot or more, wrapped with waterproof paper.

I purchased American Beauty rose bushes two different times and both times they have gone back to a little single white rose. Can you tell what I do wrong? Mrs. R. T., Rhode Island.

The roses you purchased were grafted roses. When shoots come out below the graft, at the ground or below, they should be pulled or cut off. If left on the plant they soon destroy the grafted portion and the rose becomes merely a wild rose. Watch for sprouts below the graft among the rose bushes and remove them as soon as they appear. Usually they cause little trouble after the first year.

Should my Chinese bell flower (Platycodon) be divided or should it be left to grow undisturbed? O. L., Oklahoma.

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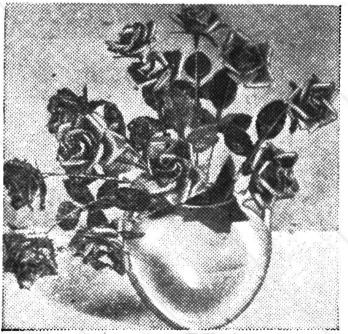
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A Tolmiea planted too deeply in the soil would die, in the manner you have indicated. The crown must be planted well above the soil surface or the plant will rot. Too much shade and moisture combined will also cause the plant to decay. It is entirely possible that the plants were sprayed with a too strong spray solution. Too much Black Leaf 40 shows up first in a burning of the edges of the leaves and may kill the entire plant.

Can you tell me why my peonies will not bloom? Buds grow to the size of a pencil eraser, but then die. Mrs. R. C., Arkansas.

Non blooming of peonies might be caused by shade, a late freeze, deep planting, spring transplanting, or botrytis blight. Probably blight is the cause of the trouble. The blight causes young growth to wilt, or causes the stems to turn black and the buds to turn brown and dry up. To control blight cut off and burn the tops of the plants in September and don't allow any manure or litter of any kind on the surface of the soil around the plants.

I am enclosing a sprig of fern leaf that has scale or something on it. I have sprayed, but it doesn't do any good. What shall I do? Mrs. S. W., Texas.

The back of your fern leaves are covered with spores. They belong there and they are a sign of a good healthy plant. The spores on ferns correspond to the seeds on other plants.

We have a French pussy willow tree three years old. May we shape and trim it as we do any flowering shrub? If so, when should it be done? Mrs. N. W. G., Michigan.

During January, February and March as you have use for pussy willows cut off branches from the tree all the while shaping it up as you desire. The branches cut off are lovely when brought into the house to bloom. After they have been in water inside for a week they may be peeled or they may be left to open naturally. In this way you get good out of the plant material removed and at the same time shape up the tree.

I have a gardenia plant that is infested with scale which came from an adjacent lemon tree. What can I use to destroy the scale? Mrs. C. K., Ohio.

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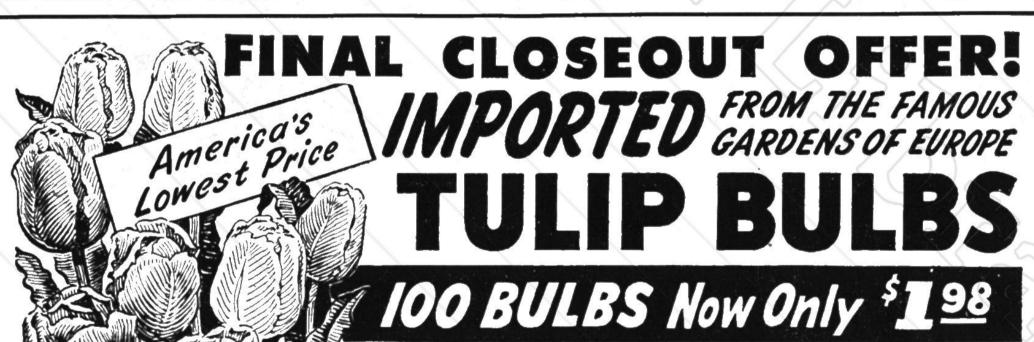


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I have lost 100 gladiolus bulbs this year. The leaves turn yellowish brown and can be pulled from the stem and the bulbs rot. Any information you can give me will be appreciated. Mrs. R. W., Ohio.

The scab or neck rot is scarcely noticeable on the dormant bulbs but it is carried to the garden on the old bulbs. It causes decay of the lower six or eight inches of the growing plant, the leaves turn yellow and the old bulbs rot. At planting time treat the bulbs by soaking them for two hours in a solution of one ounce of corrosive sublimate to six gallons of water. Then plant the bulbs at once in a new location.

Can you tell me what causes green lice to develop on the roots of young aster plants? M. H., Wisconsin.

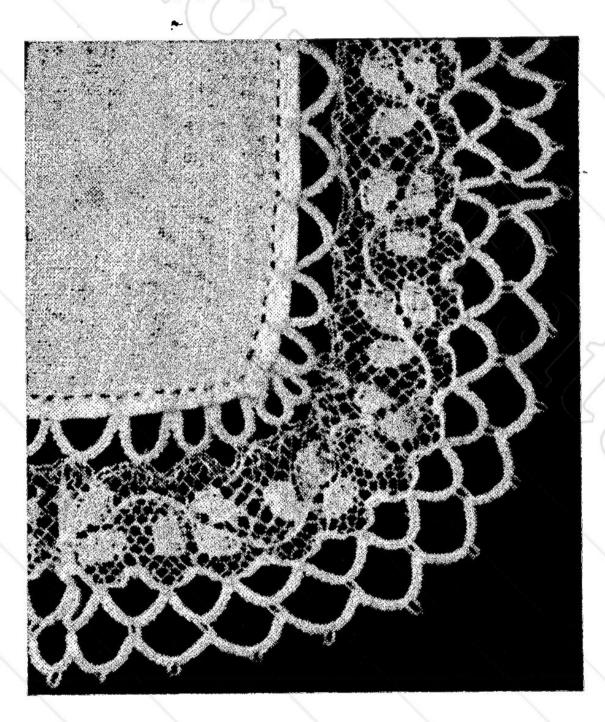
Plant lice attack the roots of many plants such as asters, poinsettias, palms, etc. They vary from bluish green to white in color and soon stunt the growth of the plants. Soil where horseweeds, nettles and similar types of weeds grow is usually infected with plant lice and if this soil is used for growing asters they too will usually become infected. The best remedy is to grow asters in soil that has not grown plants that could serve as a host to the plant lice. Soil from a clean sod field is usually free from this pest.

Can I dry gloxinia bulbs after the plants are through blooming and then plant them again so they bloom during the winter months? Mrs. J. M. L., Illinois.

Gloxinias should be dried off when through blooming but they should be allowed to rest until January or February. Gloxinias are summer blooming plants and they cannot successfully be bloomed before early summer.

Handkerchief Edge

Tatting and fine lace are combined to make this dainty edge. The finished edge is about one inch wide—using lace ½ inch wide and tatting thread. White, color or a combination of colors may be used. You will need a shuttle and a ball.



Abbreviations: Ch (chain); ds

(double stitch); p (picot).

Join thread to handkerchief edge, on the ball thread ch 7 ds, join to lace, 7 ds, leave about ¼ inch space and join to handkerchief edge, continue around, fulling slightly, especially at corners. Cut and fasten off.

Join thread to free edge of lace, ch 6 ds, p, 6 ds, leave about ¼ inch space and join to lace, 6 ds, p, continue around. Cut and fasten off.

Join thread in p, ch 6 ds, p, 6 ds, join in next p, 6 ds, p, continue around. Cut and fasten off.

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1 lp, sc in the tr, ch 6, sk 1 lp, three 3 tr cluster sts with ch 4 between each cluster st in next lp, repeat from * around, ending rnd to correspond, join.

Rnd 18, 19: Repeat rnds 16 and 17.

Rnd 20: Sl st into lp, * ch 6, sc in next lp, repeat from * around ending rnd with ch 3, dc in sl st.

Rnd 21: * Ch 7, sc in next lp, repeat from * around ending rnd with ch 3, tr in dc.

Rnd 22: Same as last rnd, but ending rnd with ch 7, sc in tr.

Rnd 23: Beginning of ruffle—Sl st into lp, * (ch 8, sc in same lp) twice, ch 8, sc in next lp, repeat from * around ending rnd with ch 4, tr in sl st.

Rnd 24, 25: * Ch 8, sc in next lp, repeat from * around ending each rnd with ch 4, tr in tr.

Rnd 26: * Ch 5, work a 2 tr cluster st in same sp, ch 5, sl st in next lp, repeat from * around.

Rnd 27: Sl st to top of next cluster st, * ch 8, sc in top of next cluster st, repeat from * around ending rnd with ch 4, tr in top of first cluster st.

Rnd 28: Same as rnd 24 except end with ch 8, sc in tr.

Rnd 29: Sl st into lp, ch 4, 2 tr cluster in same sp, ch 5, sl st in 4th st from hook for a p, ch 1, a 3 tr cluster in same sp, * ch 6, sc in next lp, ch 6, cluster st in next lp, ch 5, sl st in 4th st from hook for a p, ch 1, cluster st in same sp, repeat from * around, ending rnd with ch 6, sc in next lp, ch 6, join and cut thread.

Starching—Dissolve ¼ cup starch in 1 cup cold water. Boil slowly over a low flame, as it thickens stir in gradually about ¾ cups of cold water. Boil, stirring constantly until starch clears. This makes a thick pasty mixture.

As soon as starch is cool enough to handle, dip doily and squeeze starch through it thoroughly. Wring out ex-

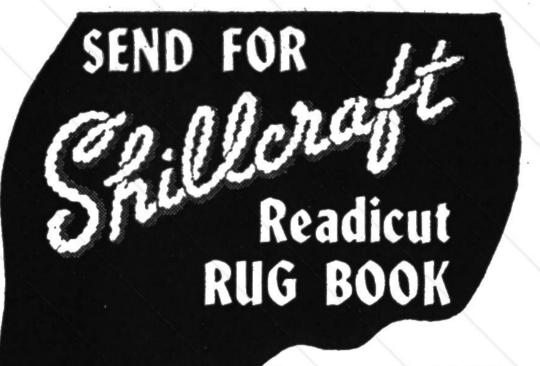
tra starch. The doily should be wet with starch, but there should be none in the spaces. Pin center of doily in position according to size and leave until thoroughly dry. If steam iron is used, iron ruffle after it is dry. If regular iron is used, dampen ruffle slightly before pressing. Pin folds of ruffle in position and leave until thoroughly dry.

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Cut 2

Cut a twelve-inch length of black grosgrain ribbon. Cut dial plate of white felt and embroider face with one strand of black embroidery floss. Sew dial plate with tiny overcast stitches to a larger red circle of felt. Sew one end of ribbon to inside of backing—second red circle at top. Sew red front and back sections together with overcasting stitches, stuffing lightly with cotton. Sew other end of ribbon to inside of back section of red top, then overcast the two red sections together. Other color combinations may be used.



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board, trace around outer edge or use carbon paper. Cut around outside lines carefully; make sure all edges are smooth. Lay pattern on leather and mark; use hard white chalk or colored pencils to mark dark leathers and a lead pencil for light leathers.

It is important that you have a sharp knife and a good cutting board. When cutting, stop knife about $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch from each corner and reverse the direction of the knife by placing point directly at the corner and complete the cutting. This eliminates cutting past corners; also there is less waste of leather.

Tooling calf and most other leather must be made pliable by moistening or it will not hold a good impression. Moisten the flesh or unfinished side of leather with a clean sponge and cold water. Sufficient moisture has penetrated the leather when the grain side begins to darken. No matter how small a portion is to be tooled, it is necessary to moisten the entire piece. Utmost care should be taken after dampening the leather, because the slightest impression will show-even fingernails will leave marks. Leave the dampened leather on a flat surface, such as plate glass, a piece of marble, a work table or hard maple board. Thus it dries in its original shape. Don't put wet leather in oven or strong sunlight to dry.

You are now ready to trace design on the leather. Center and place design face up and on the finished or grain side of leather. Place masking tape across corners to hold design; this also keeps the leather from moving on the working surface. Hold tracing tool (a nut pick or orange stick can be used) just like a pencil. Curved lines may be made free hand but use a rule for all straight lines and edges—use the same

even pressure in tracing all lines. It is safe to raise one corner of design to make sure the impression of design can be clearly seen. Remove the paper pattern after you are sure all lines have been traced.

Outline tooling is one of the easiest ways to decorate leather. Place the leather on a smooth flat surface and go over the outline of design lightly. When tooling, work from the corners and toward the center of article so the leather will not become stretched. Continue tracing over the outline, increasing the pressure each time, until design is clear and lines are of sufficient depth. Remember to make all straight lines with a rule or some form of a straight edge.

The head of a finishing nail can be used for filling in the backgroundhold in vertical position and tap pointed end lightly with hammer, or use a deerfoot tool. Hold tool in vertical position, and move it back and forth over the work with firm even pressure, allowing the tool to press the background down around the design. Edges of design can be rounded by using the broad end of a modeler to smooth them off a little. This is called flat modeling and is considered a little harder to do. The design is just opposite that of outline tooling, for the design stands out and background is depressed.

Stippling the backgrounds of designs makes the design stand out beautifully. The ball point modeler is used in a tapping motion to enrich the background. Be careful and do not puncture through the surface of the leather.

If you have made an error in tooling, place the pointed end of modeler under leather with point up and push up the part that is mis-tooled. If you make these corrections before the tooling is completed, the part that is pushed up may hardly show at all.





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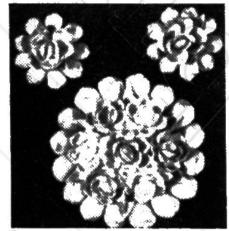


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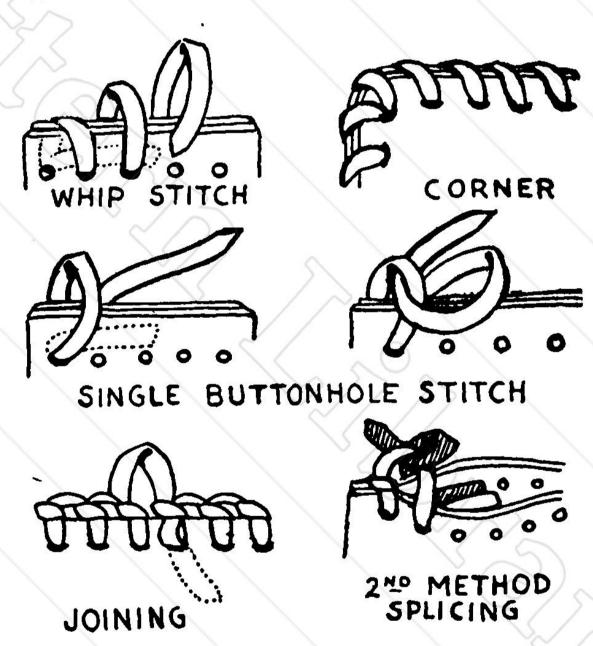
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Leather must be skived in nearly any project you undertake. It simply means thinning or beveling the edges to be laced or sewed and the thinning of leather at folds to make them more pliable. For a good skiving job, the knife must be very sharp, thus avoiding any ragged edges.

If the article you are making is to be laced, use a leather slit punch or thonging chisel. Any small object similar in shape that can be found around the house may be used to make the slits. Place leather right side up on a flat surface to make slits. Hold thonging chisel in vertical position and tap it lightly with a wooden mallet. Be sure all slits go completely through leather. Continue around article, spacing slits evenly.

There are different lacing stitches but the two most popular are the whip and single buttonhole stitch.

Whip Stitch—This particular lacing is used mostly for decoration or on edges where there will be no excessive wear. It takes about three times as



much lacing as the distance to be laced. Make sure the edges to be laced have been skived, punched and are ready to be laced. Never use too long a lace as it stretches when it is pulled through the slits. To begin, take about a yard length of lace and skive one end on the flesh side back about ½ inch. Cement this end to the inside or between the lining and the cover at any starting point (see dotted line on illus-

tration). Or the end may be threaded under several stitches on the back at the finish of the lacing. Point or shape the end of lace and dip in clear nail polish, household cement or glue to hold the end firm while lacing. Now bring it over and insert it in the first slit. Work from left to right, holding the finished side toward you. Open slits slightly with an awl if necessary. Pull lace through until it is tight against the edge of the leather. Bring lace back over edge and continue the over and over stitch. When you come to within an inch or two of end of lace, splice leather lacing as follows: Skive ends of laces back about 34 inch, one on right side, one on back. Put a thin layer of rubber cement on both skived ends and allow to set a few minutes, then press ends firmly together. Plastic lacing is spliced by vulcanizing skived ends with the heat of a match. It is necessary to go twice through one or two of the slits for a rounded corner. The same tension and slant must be retained to make lacing uniform. End lacing by going through the first slit a second time, then run it under several stitches on the wrong side and glue down. Plastic lacing cannot be glued to leather, but should be woven through beginning stitch and pulled to inside.

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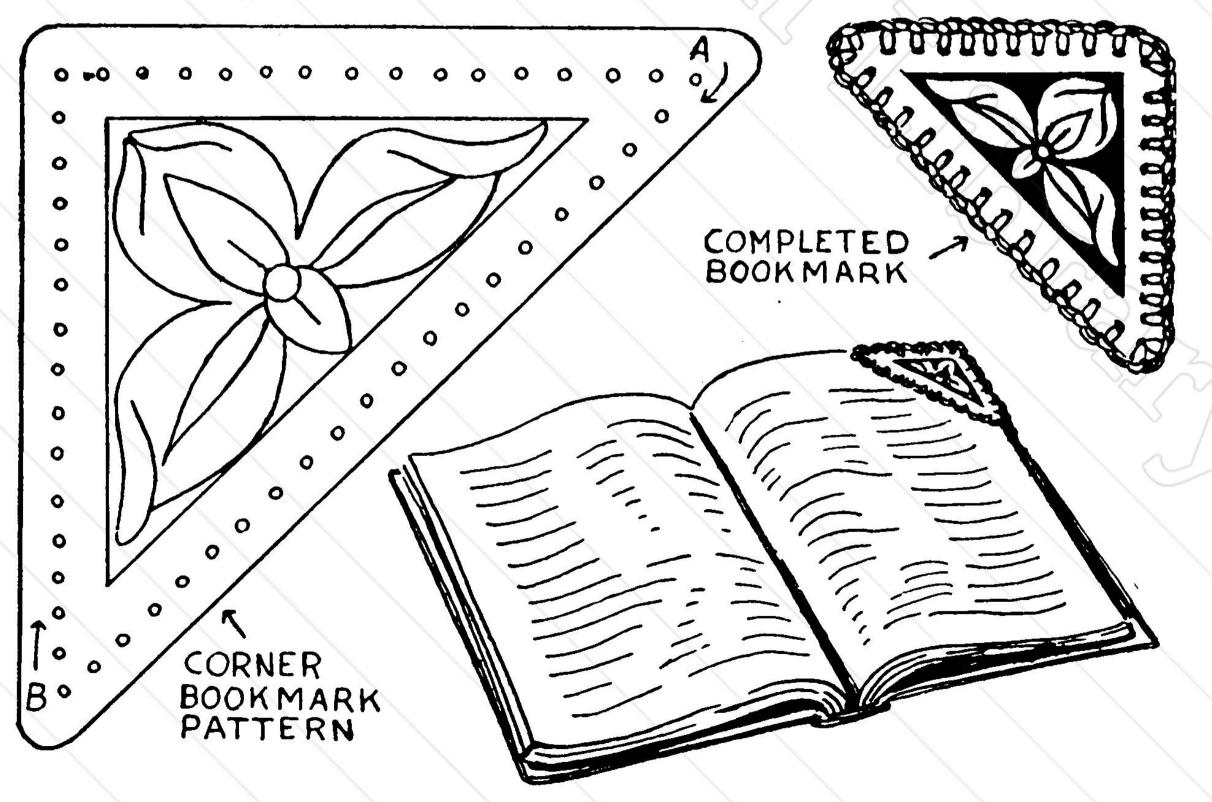
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end or point of the lace to the left. Insert lace in loop just formed, going from left to right (see illustration).

Pull first loop tight; always be sure lacing is straight. Tighten the second loop and finish tightening it by placing thumb of left hand over the entire stitch and pulling the thumb down toward the slit as the lace is tightened. Bring lace over and insert it in the second slit to begin a new stitch. Continue as before, pulling all stitches alike so as to keep the same slant. Two stitches may be taken in one or more of the thong slits at each corner. Join lacing to starting point by opening the second loop of the first stitch with an awl and pull lace through it, tight, Then insert it through the first slit until a half inch remains. If lacing double thickness of leather, pull through one layer of beginning slit—leave ½ inch, and cement to inside (see dotted line on illustration). The lace may be drawn through to the back and threaded under several stitches and then cemented in place.

The second method of splicing is faster and best when lacing two or



more thicknesses of leather. Leave about I inch on old lacing and pull through one layer, turn and lay along edge (see illustration). Insert new lacing through other layer at same slit (see dark lacing on illustration) and continue as before.

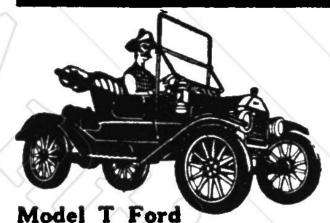
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- 1. Cut cardboard pattern same size as bookmark.
- 2. Trace to leather and cut out two with sharp razor or knife. Use rule as guide.
- 3. Trace design to tissue paper. (Make 2 tracings.)
- 4. Moisten leather and put on hard-wood board or marble slab.
- 5. Center design on leather. Tape to slab thus holding leather and design in place.
- 6. Use tracing tool for tracing design to leather. Remove paper only after checking to be sure all lines are plainly visible on leather.
 - 7. Deepen all lines on design.
- 8. Background may be done with deerfoot tool or a stippled effect may be attained by using ball point modeler.
- 9. With thonging chisel or punch make slits all around for lacing.
- 10. Skive flesh edges which are to be joined by lacing. Leave open side as it is.
- 11. Start at A and on one thickness only, follow arrow and lace with whip or buttonhole stitch to B.







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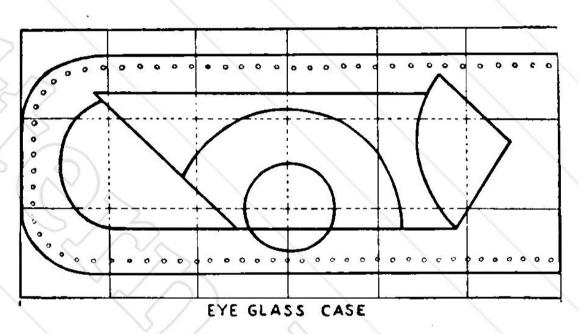
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- 13. Lace remaining open edge from A to B.
- 14. Place bookmark on smooth surface and tap lacing lightly with a hammer.
- 15. Wash and polish with saddle soap.

Eyeglass Case

Squares for eyeglass case should be enlarged to one inch or one half inch for larger glasses. Cut length to fit glasses.



Belt Design

To make belt simply repeat this design for the length of belt. Tool in outline only or depress background if you desire. Add buckle of your choice and cut slight point at opposite end.

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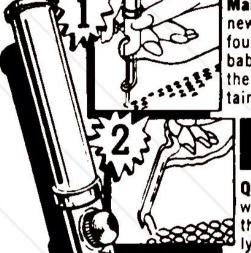
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Thread a heavy needle with light cord or heavy thread, point needle down in first hole; make a stitch on bottom, up in second hole, and so on, drawing the thread tight, and leaving enough of an end to tie. When you have sewed through the last hole, come back again in reverse order, this time taking the stitch on top first; always draw thread tight. Knot the ends of threads together.

Covers of two sizes are suggested, the larger one will take care of the WORKBASKET book section and any unused portion of your transfer, while the smaller one fits the magazine portion only. To make the cover, cut two pieces of heavy cardboard 51/2 x 8 or 6 x 8½ inches. The back remains semisoft and contains no cardboard. This is the section which goes over the back or left hand edge of the magazines, and holds the two cardboard covers together, but keeps the binder flexible. For the back and the covers, use bookbinder's cloth or other firm material and glue. A nice effect is gained by using darker material for the back than for the covers. Cut a strip for the back $4 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Lay cardboard covers on flat surface, open and parallel, an inch apart. Glue

strip to cardboard, lapping 1½ inch on each cover. Turn over and lap ends in, glue to covers. Cut strip to line inside of back ½ inch shorter than cardboards, and 2¼ inches wide and glue to inside of cover. No glue is used between back and lining strip.

The covers are next: lay cloth one inch from back edge of cardboard, cut so it is an inch larger, top, front, and bottom, than cardboard, and glue. Lap edges to inside, miter or lap corners, and glue. Cover the inside with paper of harmonizing or contrasting shade, cut ¼ inch smaller than cardboard.

Fit the covers neatly over bound magazines, all edges even, back pulled snugly, and stitch through holes as before, but catching cover also, in matching thread; this time begin inside the back cover, so that the final knot will be on the inside. Stitch through the soft back just at left hand edge of cardboard to fasten cover to magazines. Any unused portions of the transfers may be slipped back into the pages of The WORKBASKET.

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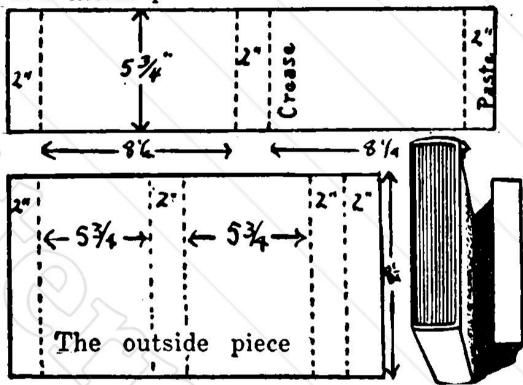
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Place the filled inside piece at the first crease from the left, leaving a 2-inch flap to the left of it. Place a line of paste or glue on this flap and tuck it carefully inside, under the magazines, next to what will become a cover. Crease fold sharply and weight down with the magazines.

You may want to run a line of paste or glue to hold the covers together. Bring the middle 2-inch space up to make the back. Fold cover over cover and paste if you wish. The end 2-inch portion is tucked inside between the front cover and magazines and left loose. You may want to letter the remaining 2-inch portion with the name, year and volume.

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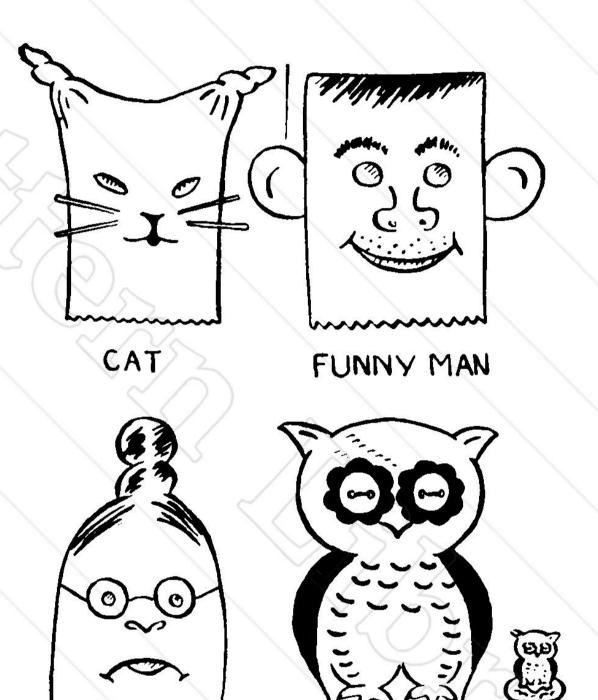
About all you will need is a few large brown paper bags, a pair of scissors, color crayons and a good imagination.

Be sure the paper bags are big enough to slip over your head. Put one on, then, to mark where the eyes, nose and mouth should be, lightly pinch the bag over your eyes, nose and mouth. This is a safe way to mark them. Take off the bag and cut out the features. Now is when you can really experiment!

The closed end of the bag may be twisted into ears, or twisted into a cap or pug hair-do. The heads may be colored, if you like. Color the faces, making glasses, crooked noses, etc. Add ears, whiskers and such, cut from extra paper and paste on.

This would be a good party stunt. Give each person a paper bag and scissors and crayons. Let each person make his own mask. The funniest one wins a prize. You could even use the funny masks for party decorations, hung around the room. I have drawn a few for you to give you some ideas.

Here are some quick nut cups for you to make for your party. Cover nut cups with orange crepe paper. Out of



black construction paper, cut an owl for each cup. Sew white shirt buttons in place as eyes. Mark in the face, wings, feet, and front feathers with orange and white crayons. With cellophane tape, secure each owl to a cup. Fill cup with candy and nuts.

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A pair of Apple Grannies made by Mrs. Ruth Anderson, living near Longmont, Colorado. Notice the "diamond" ear rings and stick pin, also the eye glasses on grandpa.

in the shoe packed with cotton, the "grannie" doll will stand erect.

Mrs. Anderson visits Goodwill stores and rummage sales to find materials of old brocades, broadcloth, and lace to fashion into doll clothes. Fashion magazines of long ago furnish her with inspiration for intriguing costumes. When the dolls are dressed, Mrs. Anderson adds a wig made from raw silk or white mohair and accessories in the way of hats, stickpins, spats, earrings, or bracelets as suits her fancy. These dolls find a ready market among doll collectors, or those who are looking for something different, selling from \$8 to \$20 a pair, depending upon the material and detail of costume.

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Motif: Ch 8, join with sl st in first

st to form a ring.

Rnd 1: Sc in same place as sl st, (ch 5, sc in ring) 7 times, ch 3, dc in first sc. This brings thread into position to begin next rnd.

Rnd 2: Sc in lp just formed, (ch 6, sc in next lp) 7 times, ch 3, dc in

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Rnd 3: Sc in lp, (ch 7, sc in next lp) 7 times, ch 3, tr in first sc.

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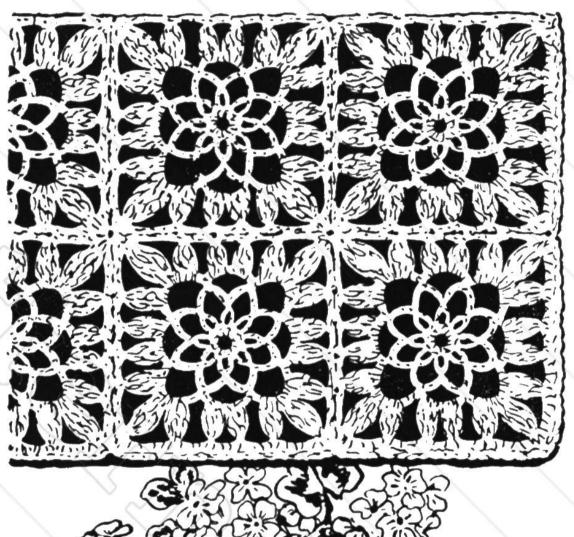
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Rnd 5: Sl st in next lp, ch 4, 2 tr cluster st in same lp, * (ch 5, 3 dtr cluster, ch 5, 3 tr cluster) in same lp, ch 2, (3 dc cluster, ch 2, 3 dc cluster) in next lp, ch 2, 3 tr cluster in next lp; repeat from * around, join last ch 2 to top of ch 3, cut and fasten thread.





Second Motif: Follow directions for rnds 1 through 4 of first motif.

Rnd 5: Sl st in next lp, ch 4, 2 tr cluster in same lp, ch 5, 3 dtr cluster in same lp, sl st in dtr cluster of first motif, ch 5, sl st in tr cluster of first motif, 3 tr cluster on same lp of second motif, continue as for first motif joining corresponding clusters, then complete as for first motif.

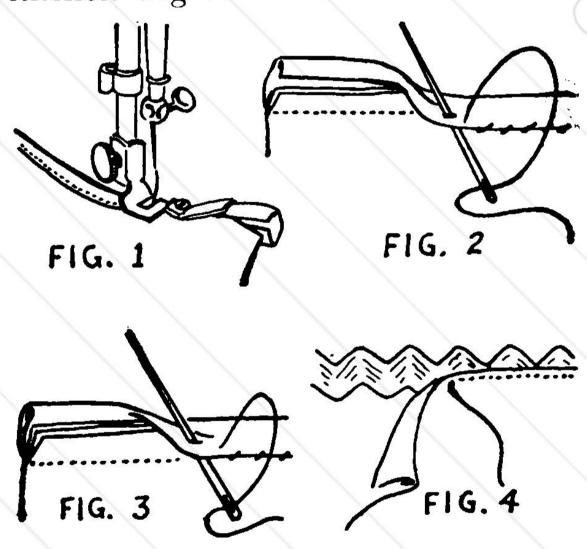
Make and join six rows of six motifs each, work a rnd of sc closely around edge, join, cut and fasten thread.

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If cutting your own bias binding, allow twice the width of the finished binding plus seam allowance. Stretch bias strips slightly while pinning to material. Place right side of binding next to right side of garment, stitch along edge of right side, turn binding over seam to wrong side, turn raw edges under and hem with invisible stitches. Fig. 2.

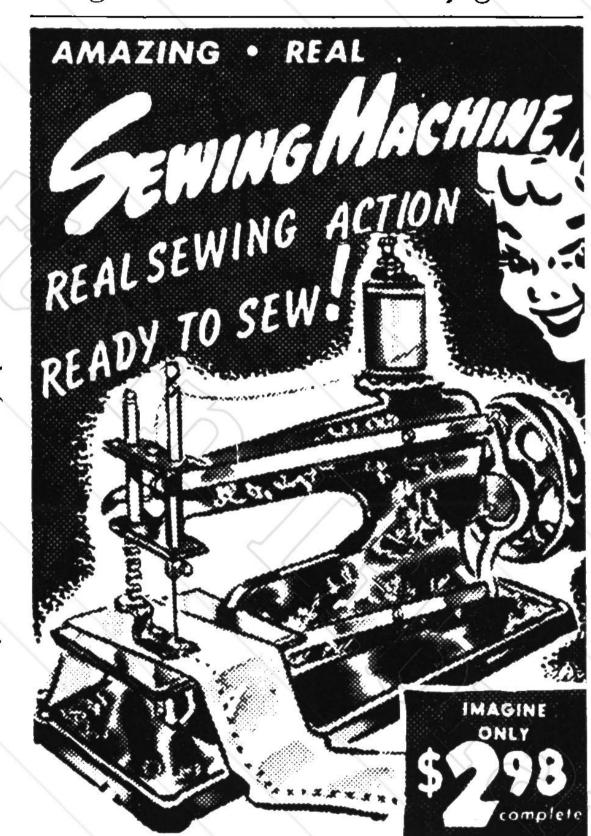


A French rolled edge is simply a bias strip folded in half. The two cut edges of the fold are stitched on the right side to the edge to be finished. Then turn fold over seam and hem on wrong side with invisible stitches, or catch in the machine stitches. This type of edge is often used around necks of blouses, sleeve edges or on children's dresses. Fig. 3.

Decorative trims such as rick rack are quite popular. Turn and press seam

allowance to wrong side. Lay edge on center of rick rack and stitch. For narrow rick rack, one row of stitching is sufficient; two rows are necessary for wider rick rack, so as to catch points on wrong side to make ironing easier. Fig. 4.

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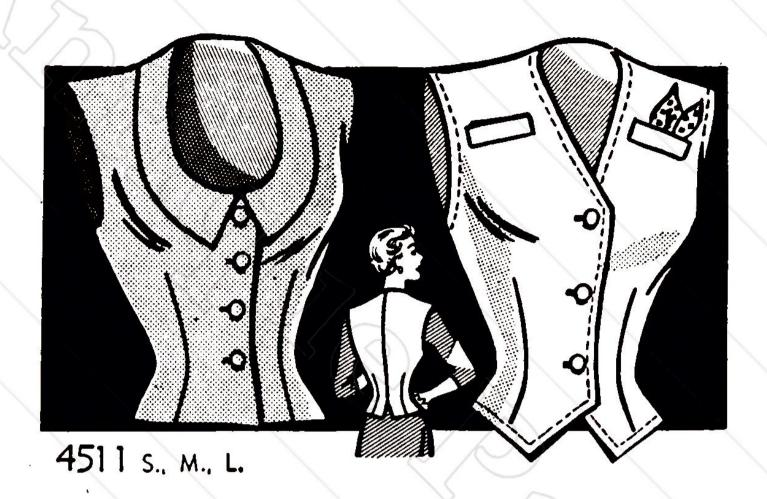


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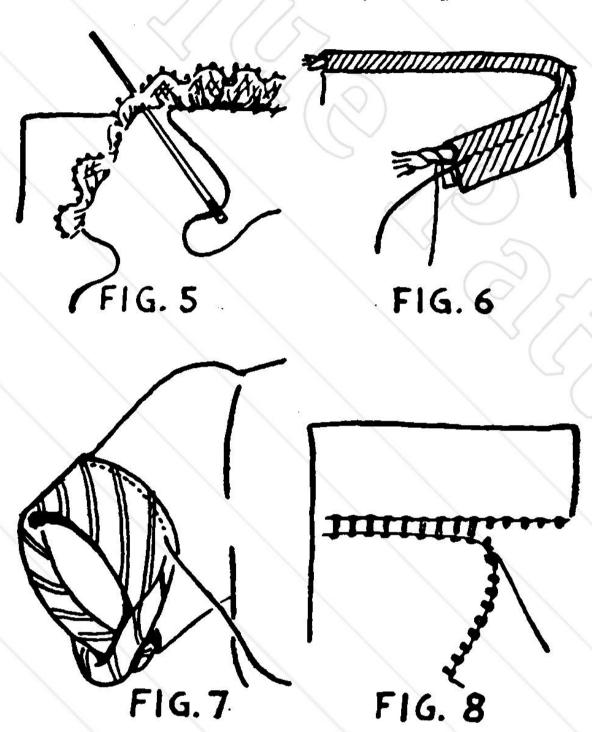
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A picot edge is used most frequently on pillow slips, around lower edge of blouses and slips. Mark desired line for hemstitching; hemstitch and cut through center of hemstitching. Fig. 8.

Miscellaneous Tips for Home Sewing

If you're not sure of how to cut part of your pattern and no help is available, try cutting that part out of muslin or any piece of fabric you have.

Use a long stitch and loose tension to sew jersey fabrics-similar to that used when machine basting.

For growing girls, it's wise to leave an extra tuck inside the hem so it can be let out next year when they have grown taller.

For delicate hand work on infants' wear, use a very small needle, fine thread and a tiny stitch. For added durability, French-seam the garment and sew the first seam by machine, the second by hand.

Dress up a plain blouse or dress by carrying an extra set of buttons, such as rhinestone buttons sewn on small pieces that snap onto the blouse or dress.

You should always buy more material than the pattern calls for when making a plaid dress or blouse. It is most important that the plaid should

be matched at seams. Choose a simple pattern with little or no detail. It is smart to cut each piece single and match the plaid perfectly.

Skirts often sag or hang crooked because they were not cut with the grain of fabric as directed.

Pressing as you sew is essential for a more professional look. Press darts before they are sewn in a seam. If the darts are large, slash through the center and press open.

Bear in mind the weight of fabric you will be working with, when selecting the size of needle. Remember it should always be a little thicker than the thread, so it goes into the material easily.

Every sewing basket should have at least two pairs of scissors; one large pair for cutting out and a small pair to cut thread.

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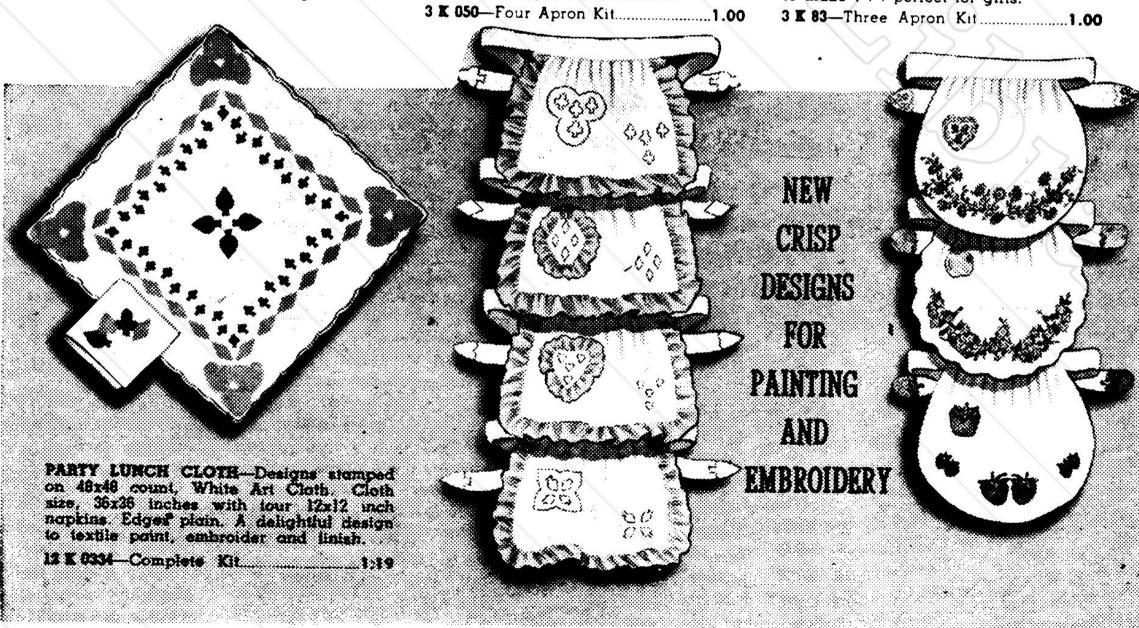
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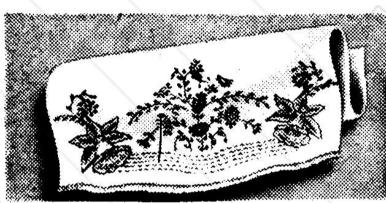




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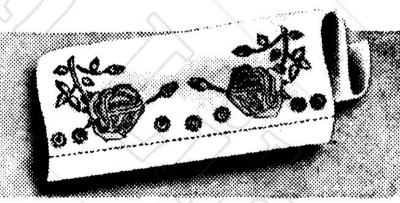


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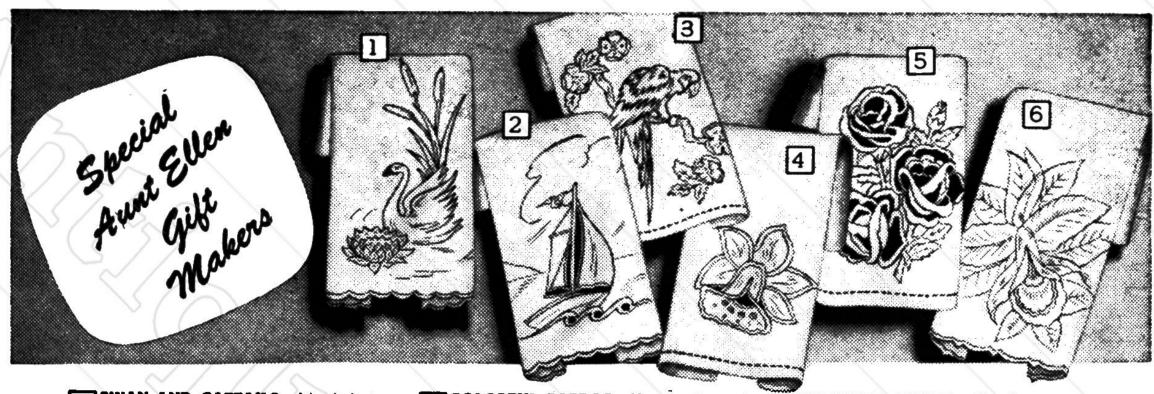






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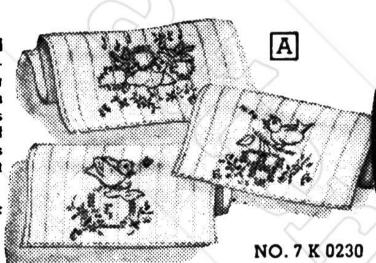
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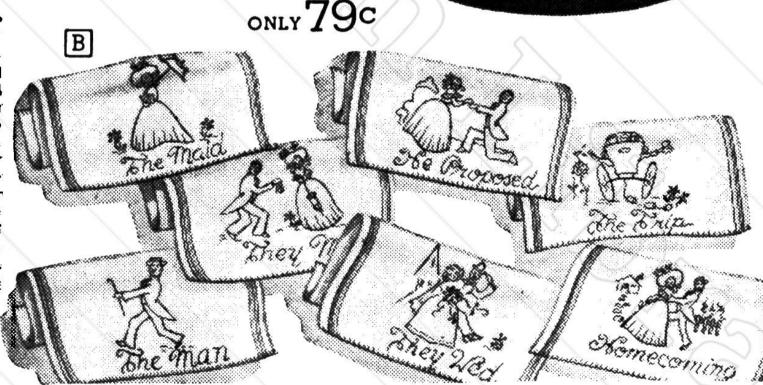




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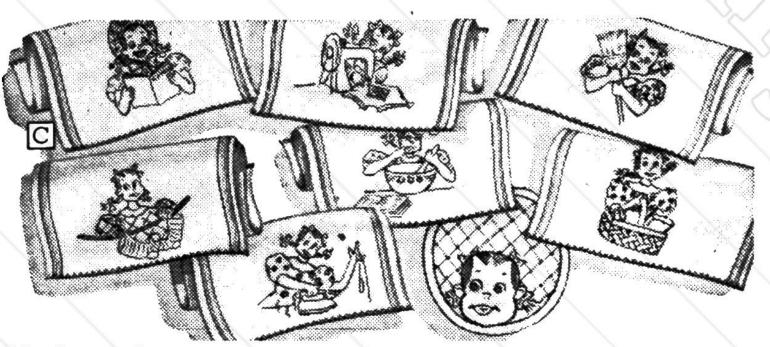
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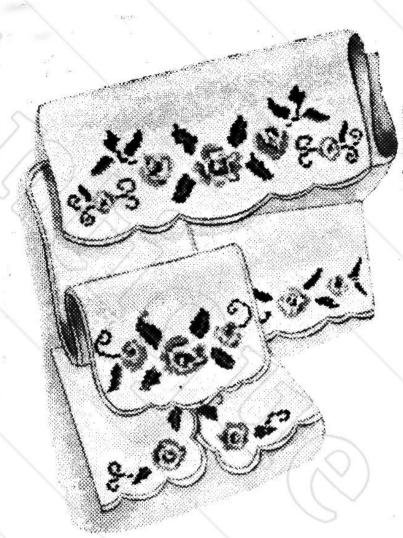
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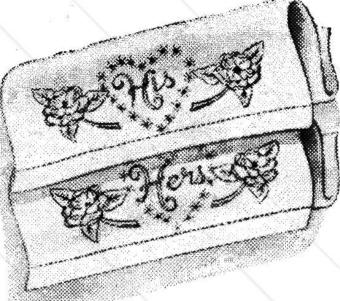
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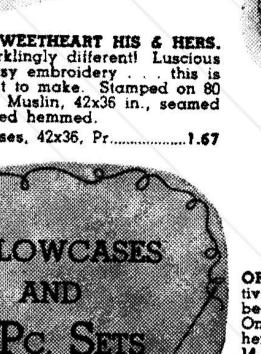
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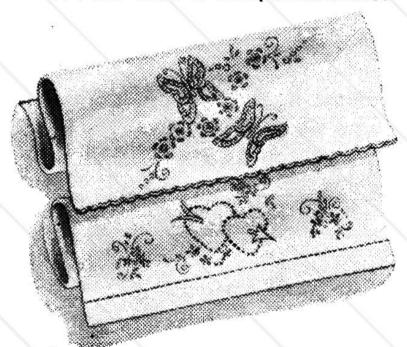
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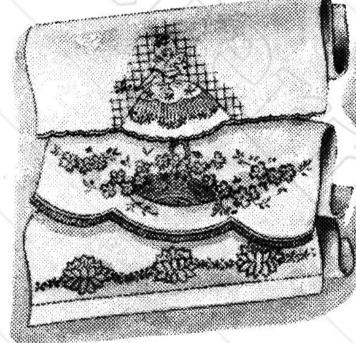
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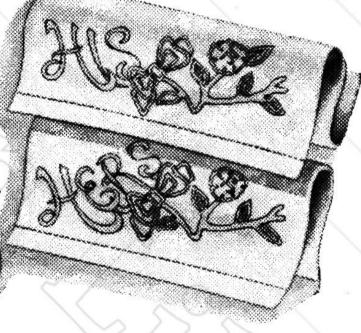


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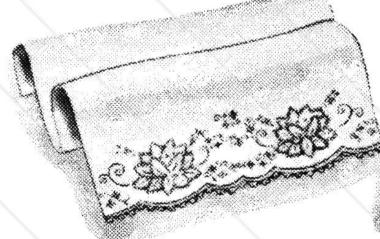
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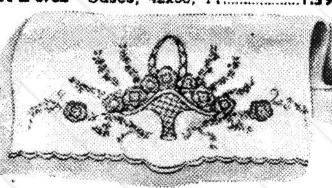


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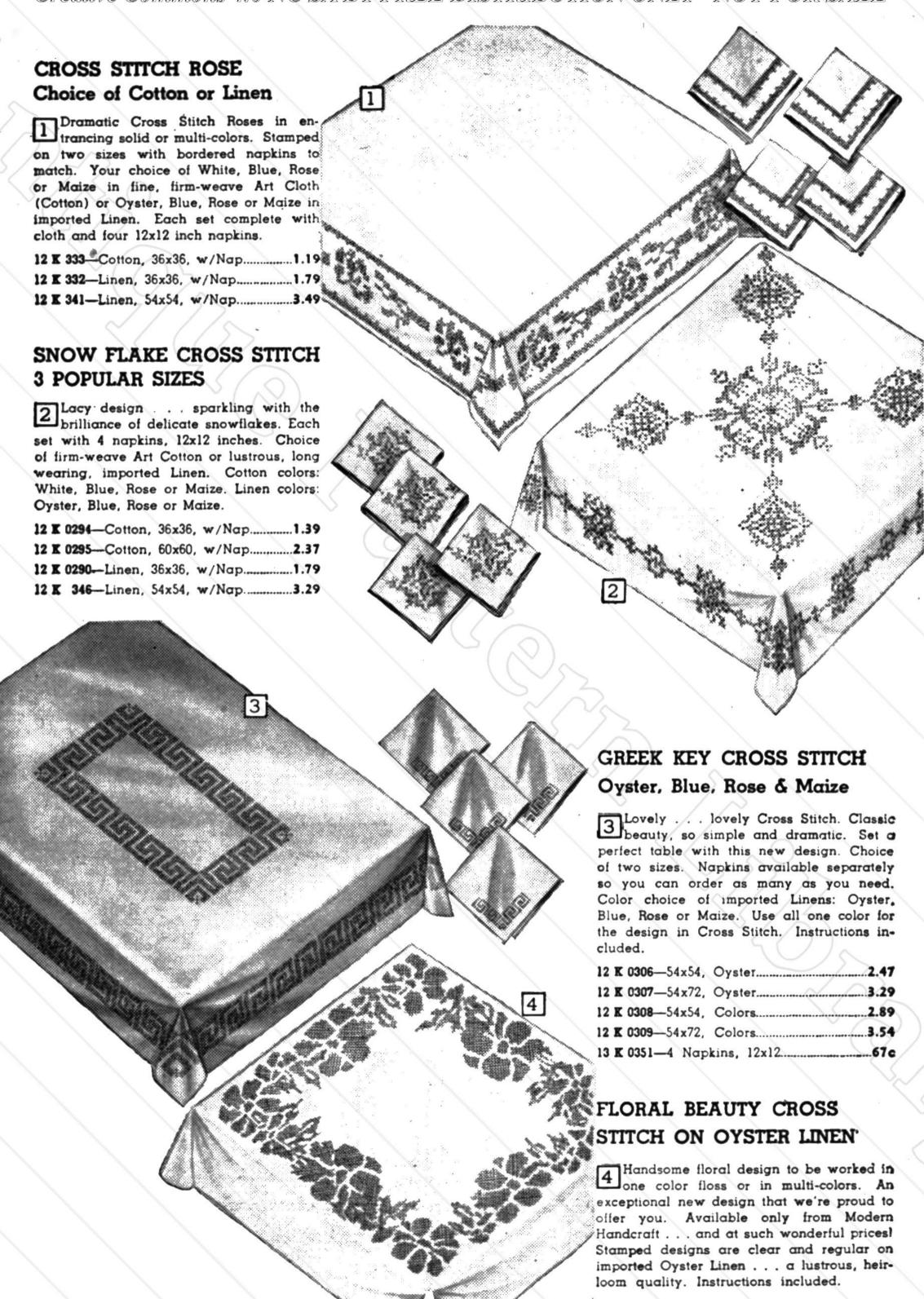
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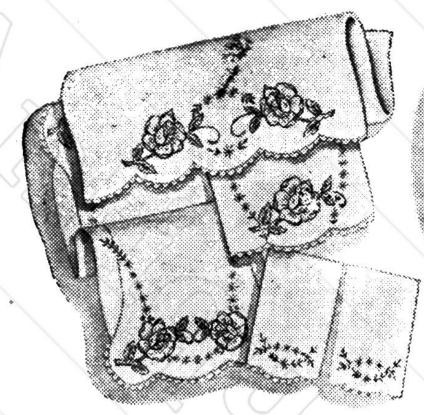
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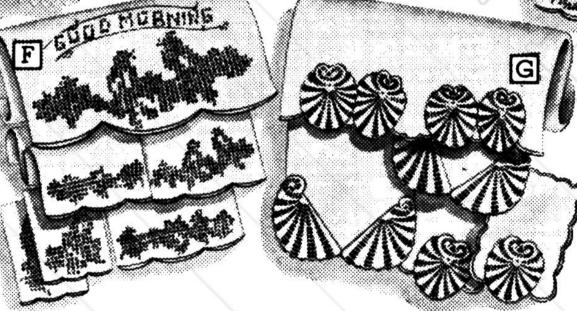
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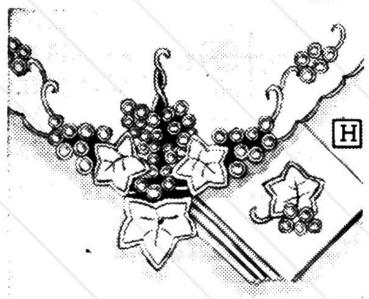




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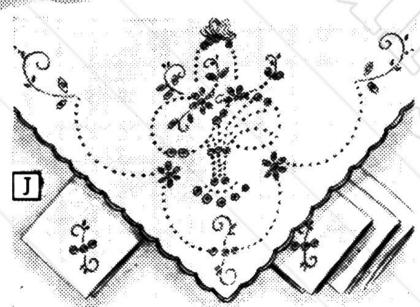


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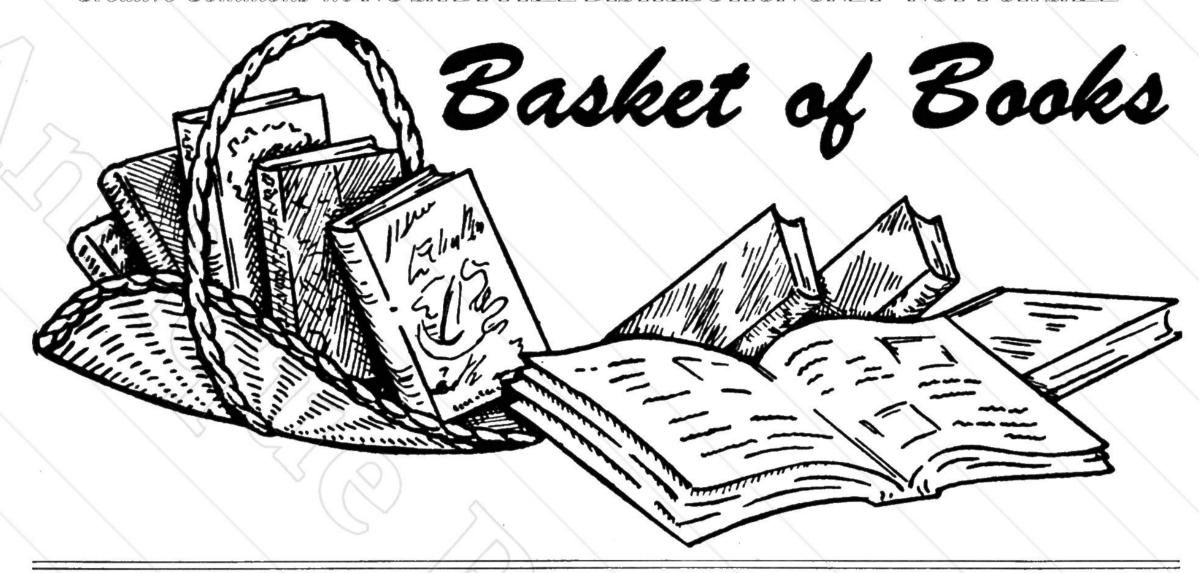
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CREATIVE HANDS

Doris Cox and Barbara Warren (357 pages; illustrated; John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York City, New York; \$6.50)

Because of the outstanding success of the first edition of "Creative Hands," which appeared in 1945, and because of the many requests and suggestions they have received, Doris Cox and Barbara Warren have produced this new edition which condenses or generalizes some crafts included in their earlier book and which also introduces some new techniques. Both women have distinguished backgrounds as teachers of art and of handicrafts. They both obviously possess not only a thorough knowledge of their subject as well as an appreciation of the problems it raises, but they also bring to their writing an intelligent enthusiasm which is bound to stimulate their readers. In

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The first chapters deal with the basic principles of all handicrafts, namely, the appreciation and understanding of design and color as well as the over-all importance of good taste. In this connection the authors say that "the need for harmonious combination of design and finished product cannot be overstressed," and they continue to emphasize this point throughout the book as they proceed from craft to craft, beginning with the various decorative and useful objects that may be made with small left-over pieces of wall paper. Illustrated are an attractive lamp shade and table mat that the rawest amateur could achieve without much difficulty. Slightly more ambitious, but still quite

simple, is a desk set complete with waste basket.

The next craft to be examined is finger weaving and card weaving. Techniques are explained and illustrated and specific details are given on how to make belts either with leather thongs or with heavy weight yarn. In the needlework section there are two full pages of diagrams showing the stitches most likely to be needed in decorative work. The authors also tell how to make such things as needle point buttons, embroidered felt bootees for babies, and assorted cloth bags. One of the more interesting bags, incidentally, is a beach bag made of white duck and lined with waterproof silk on which a fine design has been stenciled instead of embroidered.

Other crafts on which Miss Cox and Miss Warren have focused their microscope include block printing, stenciling, the making of buttons, decorative painting to brighten up the house, leather work, metal craft, and the making of portfolios. As a sort of bonus they also give their readers a charming final chapter on the making of delightful holiday cookies and on the batik process of coloring Easter eggs. There is something here for practically anyone interested in craft work and it is presented in exceptionally lucid fashion in this fine book.

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(32 pages; illustrated; Fun With Felt Corporation, New York, N. Y. 50c.)

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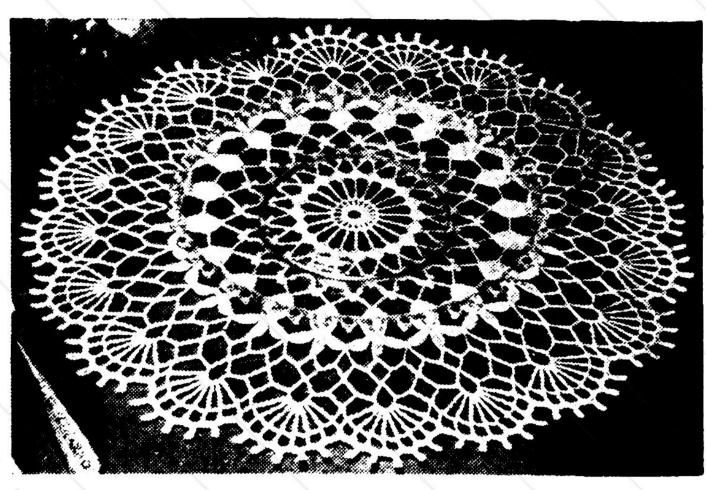
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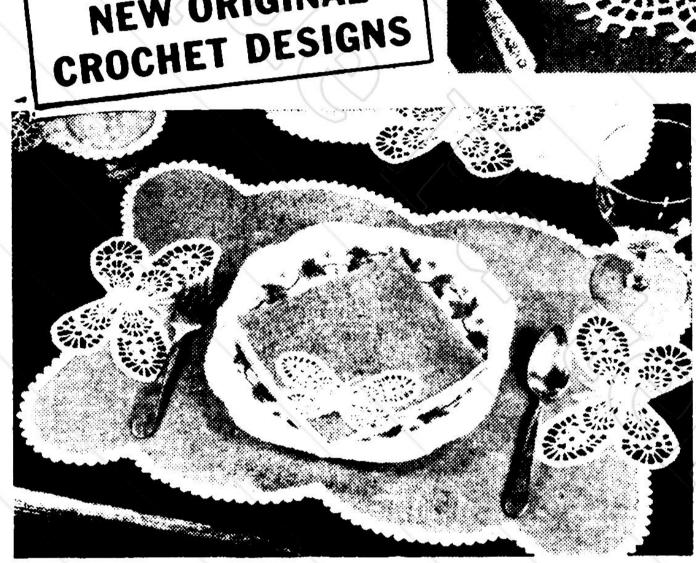
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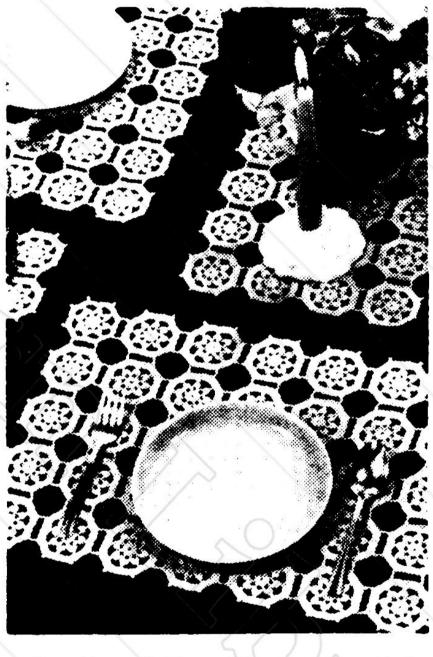




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