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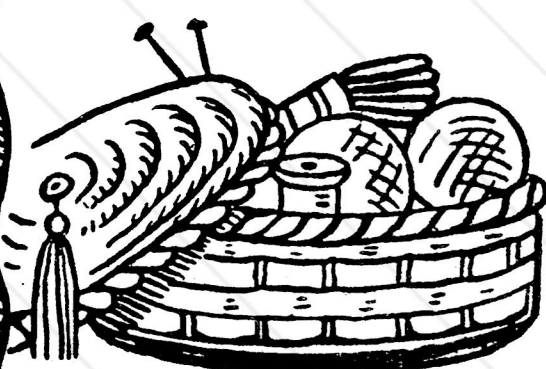
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SPIDERWEB FASCINATOR

Shown on front cover

This jiffy-knit fascinator can be quickly and easily made for bazaar gifts, or your own use. The fascinator shown was made of powder blue with a pink ruffle edged with blue. If desired, the work may be done entirely in one color, or in two shades of the same color. For the fascinator you will need about 2½ ounces of 3-ply sport and sock yarn (a lightweight yarn) in any desired shade, and about 1 ounce of a contrasting color for ruffle. You will need a pair of No. 8 bone or plastic single-point knitting needles, 14" length, and a No. 0 steel crochet hook for edging.

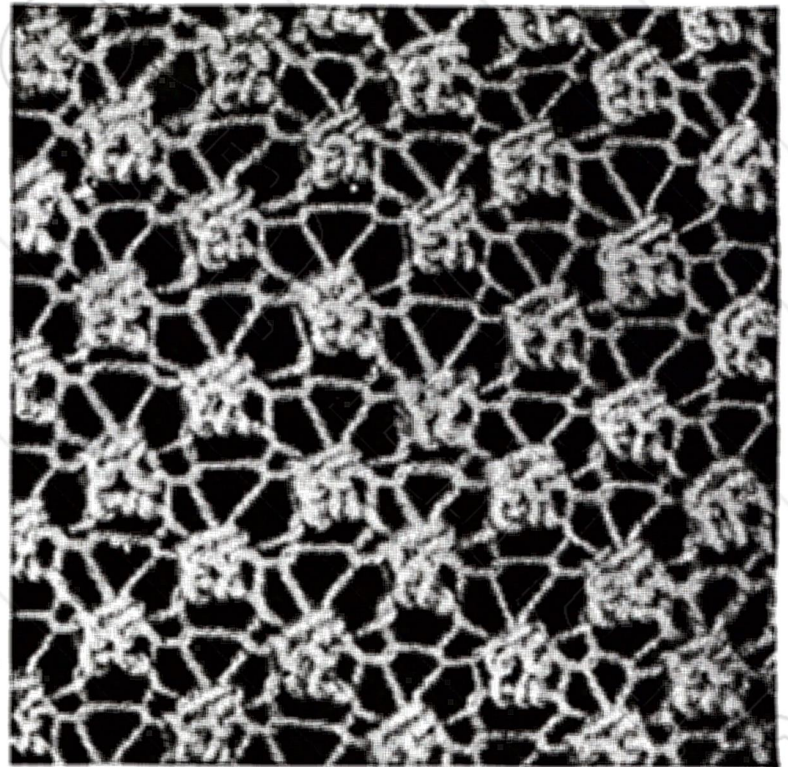
Work is begun along the long edge of the triangle and decreases are made at the ends of alternate rows until the work reaches a point. Work should be loosely done. Cast on 147 sts(stitches), turn, p(purl) 1 row. The pattern, which consists of 2 rows, begins in the next row. Row 1: Turn * p 3 sts tog(together); in the next st k(knit) 1, p 1, k 1. To do this, thrust needle through st on left-hand needle, k a st but do not slip st off left-hand needle, yarn to front and purl a st into same st on left-hand needle, do not slip st off left-hand needle. Yarn to back, k a st into same st on left-hand needle, slip st off left-hand needle. Three sts now appear in its place on right-hand needle. Repeat from * across row, ending row with p 3 sts tog.

Row 2: Turn, p 2 sts tog, purl each remaining st across row to within 2 sts from end of row, p last 2 sts tog. Repeat rows 1 and 2 in order until work has been decreased to 3 sts, p these 3 sts tog, fasten off. The side up when making purled rows is the right side. Pin fascinator face down on a padded surface, pinning out until long side measures about 32", and short sides about 24". Steam with a damp cloth, leave pinned down until completely dry.

EDGING: Crochet loosely with No. 0 hook. With right side up and holding short sides of triangle up, attach contrasting yarn in any space between

"knots" along short side on left, ch (chain) 5, (treble in same space, ch 1) 2 times; tr(treble) in same sp(space), * sk(skip) cluster of sts which forms a spider center or "knot;" in next sp between "knots" work a shell of tr in sp, (ch 1, tr in same sp) 4 times. Repeat from * to center. In corner sp work a shell of 7 trs sep(separated) by 1 ch. Working along long side, * sk 2 sts, shell of 5 trs sep by 1-ch in next st. Repeat from * to corner, 7-tr shell in corner sp, then working along short edge, work a 5-tr shell in end of each "knot" row, 7-tr shell at point, then 5-tr shells to starting point, tr in same sp with beginning 5-ch, ch 1, sl(slip) st in 4th st of beginning 5-ch to cl rnd(close round).

Rnd 2: sc(single crochet) over next 1-ch (this is the last st of beginning



5-ch of previous rnd), * ch 5, sk middle tr of shell, sc over next 1-ch, ch 7, sc over 1-ch to right of middle tr of next shell. Repeat from * around. At corners where 7-tr shells were made, attach 7-ch with sc over 1-ch between 2nd and 3rd trs of shell, (ch 5, sc over next 1-ch) 3 times; then continue as before. To cl rnd, sl st last 7-ch to 1st sc of rnd, fasten off.

Rnd 3: With right side up, attach yarn of fascinator color over next 5-ch loop with a sc, * ch 3, sc over same 5-ch loop, ch 5, sc over next

7-ch, ch 5, sc over next 5-ch loop. Repeat from * around. At corners, sc over first 5-ch loop, ch 5, sc over next (middle) 5-ch loop, ch 3, sc over same loop, ch 5, sc over next 5-ch loop, ch 5, sc over next 7-ch. Continue in pattern, sl st last 5-ch to 1st sc of rnd, fasten off. Weave all

yarn ends into work. Press edging on wrong side with a damp cloth.

The approximate measurements are: 16" from center point to center of long side; 22" from center point to point of long side; 33" is the length of the long side.

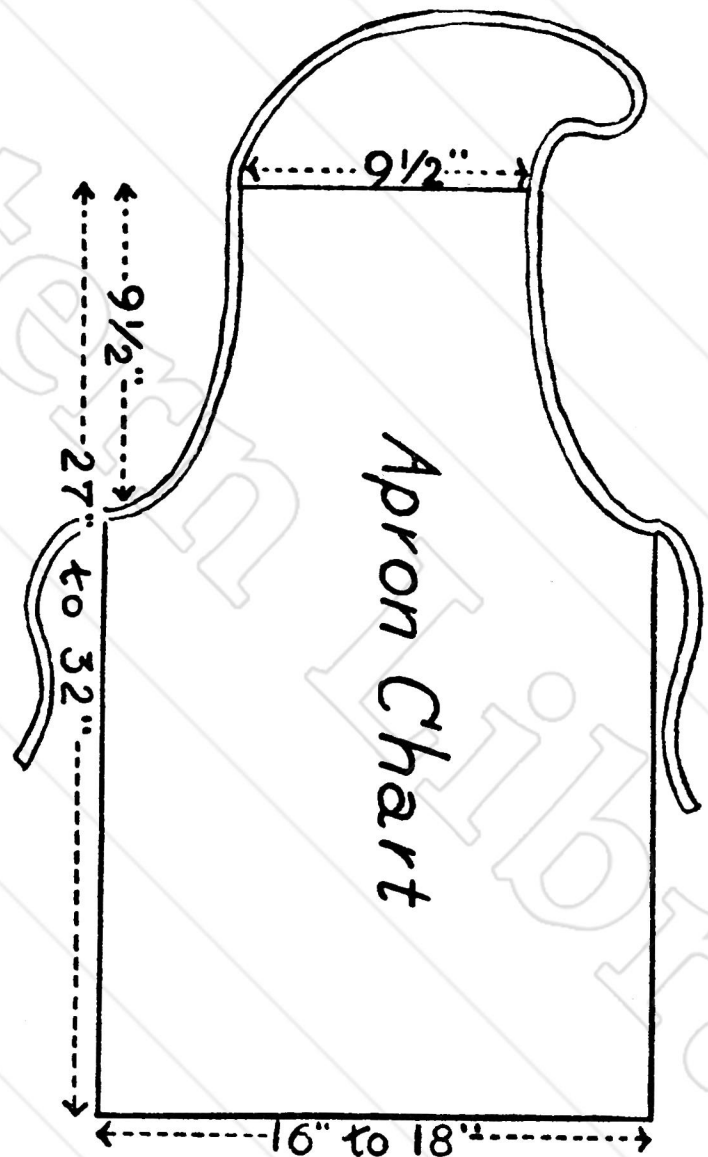
Bring on the birthday cake with 10 candles, because we are celebrating our 10th anniversary with this issue. Our wish, before we blow out the candles, is that you needlework lovers have enjoyed the WORKBASKET as much as we have all enjoyed bringing it to you. We hope to hear from many of our readers, and there is a special gift for each person who has been a steady subscriber for these ten years. Make our wish for our birthday come true—sit down and drop us a line; it only takes a minute.

APRON FROM A TOWEL

To whip up a colorful apron in a jiffy for a gift or the bazaar, try one like this made from a guest towel or kitchen hand towel in a gay print pattern. For one apron you will need one towel ranging in width from 16" to 18", and in length anywhere from 27" to 32". You will also need 2½ yards of fast-color bias tape in a color which will match one of the colors in the towel. (If top, bottom, and sides of towel are bound with tape instead of hemmed, 5 yards of tape are required.)

Fold towel lengthwise and cut away portions shown in the diagram. The top, bottom, and remaining portions of sides may be left as they were originally finished, hemmed, or bound with the bias tape. To apply the bias tape for neck strap and ties, fold 2½ yards of tape to find the center, measure about 10" each way from center and pin this point to upper edges of bib. This measurement may be varied to fit the individual. The lower edge of bib should be at the waistline when strap is adjusted around neck.

Baste tape along bib to waistline at edge of towel. Baste the edges of



and stitch on both edges of tape for ties, turning in ends of ties. Machine stitch tape to apron along bib edge, tape together for bib strap and for ties and neck strap.

Knitted woolens and wool dresses and skirts washed by hand are less likely to shrink or become matted than if cleaned in a washing machine.

Next time the cream won't whip, try this: add the white of an egg to the cream, chill and try again.

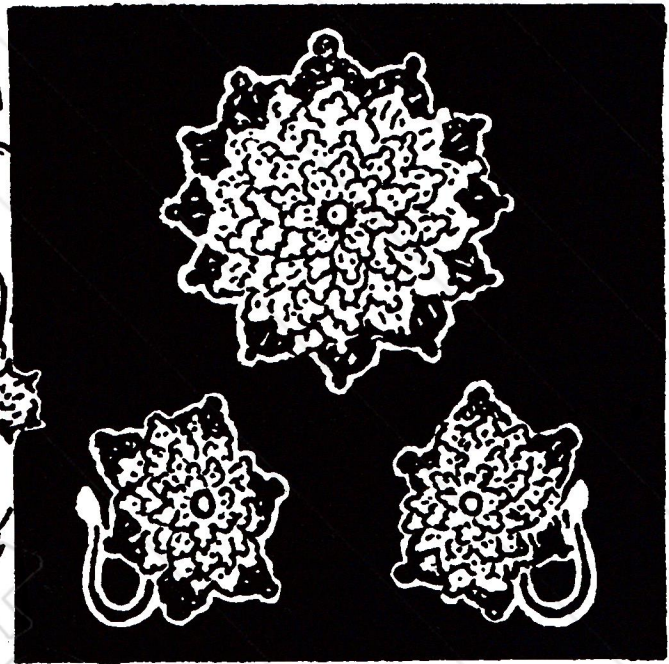
BANDEAU, BROOCH AND EARRINGS

To make this set requires DAISY Mercerized Crochet Cotton, size 30, in shaded roses (or other colors), or SKYTONE. 2-skeins Green Six Strand Floss; crochet hooks sizes 5 and 9. This crocheted flower has a number of uses, as a brooch, ear rings, or a bandeau.



Tie in a square knot.

EARRINGS—If using SKYTONE 3 rounds are large enough for earrings; if using DAISY, you may wish to use 4 or 5 rounds. Repeat the instructions for the brooch the first 3, 4 or 5 rounds, as you wish. **LEAVES**—In Green, ch 8, sl st in 1st st. Ch 1,



BROOCH—With a size 9 hook, * ch(chain) 5, 2 dc(double crochet) in 5th st(stitch) from hook worked off together into a cluster, ch 3, sl(slip) st in cluster for a p(picot), ch 3, sl st at base of cluster. Repeat from * 4 times. Sl st in 1st st. Fasten off. 2d Rnd(round)—Make 9 petals. 3rd Rnd—Make 13 petals. 4th Rnd—Make 17 petals. 5th Rnd—(Ch 6, a 2- tr(treble) cluster in 6th st from hook, a p, ch 5, sl st at base of cluster) 22 times and join. 6th Rnd—(Ch 9, a 3-dtr(double treble) cluster petal, a p, ch 8, sl st at base) 20 times and join. **LEAVES**—In 6 strand green floss and size 5 hook, ch 7, sl st in 1st st. Ch 4, dc in ring, (ch 1, dc in ring) 10 times, ch 1, sl st in 1st 3-ch. Ch 5, hdc(half double crochet) in next dc, (ch 3, hdc in next dc) around, ch 3, sl st in 1st 2-ch. *Ch 2, (dc, tr, ch 3, sl st in tr, tr, dc, ch 2, sc) in next space. Repeat from * around. Fasten off. Pin all rounds right-side-down. Wet back with hot starch and press dry thru cloth. Pull threads of rounds 2 thru 6 to the center back and tie in a square knot. Place on the leaves, put the 1st rnd or center on top and bring ends thru the center of the other rnds and leaves' center.

12 sc in ring, sl st in 1st sc. *Ch 1, (2 dc, a p, 1 dc) in next sc, ch 1, sc in next. Repeat from * 5 times. Fasten off. Starch backs, and assemble in the same manner you did the brooch, leaving the leaves and center to be tied last.

BANDEAU — 5 rnds with SKYTONE will be ample and, if using DAISY, you may follow the regular instructions. Follow the directions for the brooch leaves for the bandeau, using a size 9 hook. 5 or 6 flowers are suggested, fastened on a sc band 1" wide.

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FRILLS

You will need 1 ball Daisy Mercerized Crochet Cotton, size 50 in white, 2 fancy buttons and a crochet hook size 14.

Ch (chain) 9, sl (slip) st (stitch) in 1st st to form a ring. Ch 3, 17 dc (double crochet) in ring, sl st in 3rd st of 3-ch. Row 2: (ch 11, sc in next dc) 17 times, ch 5, tr (treble) in next st. Row 3: (ch 11, sc in next loop) 17 times, ch 5, tr in next. Row 4: ch 8, sc in 4th st from hook for a p (picot), ch 2, dc in tr, * ch 7, (dc, ch

5, p, ch 2, dc) in center st of next loop. Repeat from * around. End with ch 3, dc in 1st 3-ch. Row 5: ch 8, p, ch 2, dc in last dc, * ch 7, (dc, ch 5, p, ch 2, dc) in center st of next 7-ch. Repeat from * around. End as last row. Row 6: make 9-chs instead of 7-chs. End with 4-ch and tr. Row 7: make 11-chs instead of 9-chs. End with 5-ch and tr. Row 8: make 13-chs instead of 11-chs. End with 6-ch and dtr (double treble). Row 9: ch 7, dc in dtr, * ch 15, (dc, ch 4, dc) in center st of next 13-ch. Repeat from * around; sl st in 1st 3-ch. Row 10: * 2 sc in next 4-ch, ch 4, sl st in last sc for a p, 2 sc in same sp (space), 9 sc in next loop, ch 4, ** thread over, swing hook around from left to right and back to usual position; the thread now lies on top of the chain, just below the two loops on the hook. Pull the thread back of the hook. Repeat from ** ten times. It will be necessary to twist your piece of work to keep the knot even. On each round lay the thread just below the last round. After ten repeats the 4-ch will be covered. Thread over and pull through all loops, thread over and through the loop on the hook tightly, sc around ch at base of knot; 9 sc in balance of loop. Repeat from * around. Fasten off.

CENTER—Repeat Rows 1 and 2. Row 3: (ch 11, sc in next loop) 17 times, ch 5, tr in next. Row 4: * (ch 1, dtr) 10 times in 6th st of next loop,

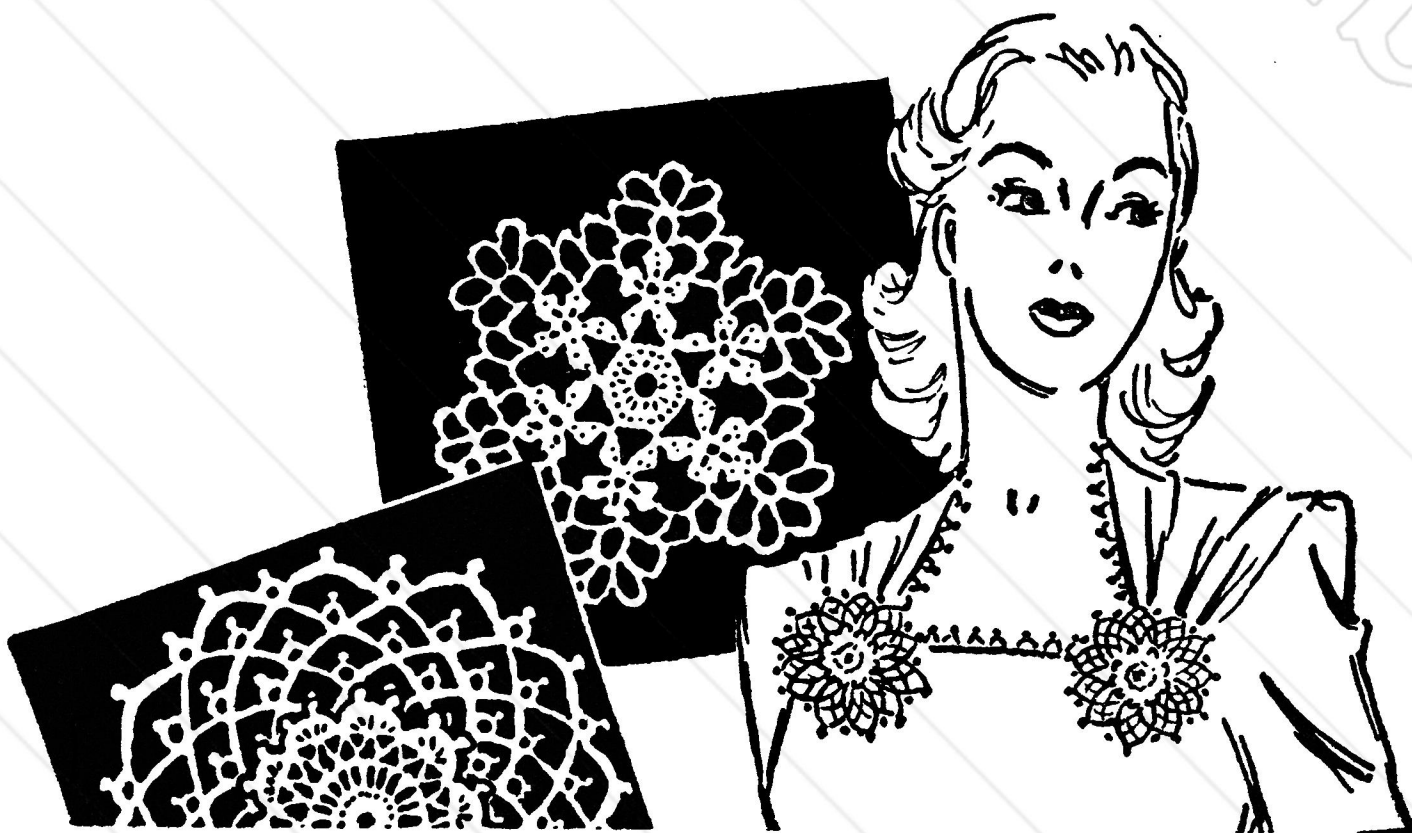
ch 1, sc in next loop. Repeat from * 8 times. Row 5: ** (2 sc in next 1-ch sp) 3 times, * (1 sc, ch 4, a knot, as explained above, and 1 sc) in next sp, 2 sc in next. Repeat from * twice, (2 sc in next sp) twice. Repeat from ** 8 times. Fasten off. Starch lightly, arrange in even ripples and dry. Sew together in center with button. Make 2 or 3.

SNOWFLAKE

MATERIALS — Daisy Mercerized Crochet Cotton size 50 in White. Crochet hook size 14.

Ch (chain) 8, sl (slip) st (stitch) in 1st st. Ch 3, 23 dc (double crochet) in ring, sl st in top of 3-ch. * Ch 6, 2 tr (treble) in 6th st from hook, working them off together into a cluster, (ch 5, 5 dc in 4th st from hook, ch 3, sl st in same 4th st) 3 times, sc (single crochet) between cluster and 1st petal, ch 6, make a 2-tr cluster in 6th st from hook, sc in next 4th dc on center. Repeat from * 5 times. Fasten off. Edge—Join to 1st petal in center st, * ch 9, (sc, ch 9, sc) in center st of next petal, ch 9, sc in next, ch 5, sc in next, which is the first petal of the next 3-group. Repeat from * around. Make a 2-ch and dc for end loop. ** Ch 11, sc in next loop, (ch 11, dc) 4 times in next loop which is the center loop, (ch 11, sc in next) twice. Repeat from ** around. Fasten off. Lightly starch.

Suggestion—Tack 5 across base of neck and 2 on each sleeve.

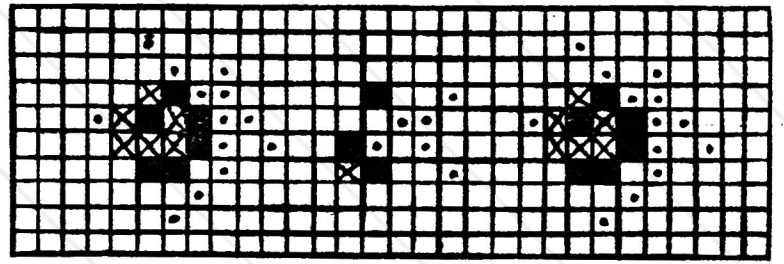


CURTAIN TIE BACK AND NAPKIN RING IN "CROCHETED NEEDLEPOINT"

pattern, embroider cross stitch design, using 12 strands of Floss

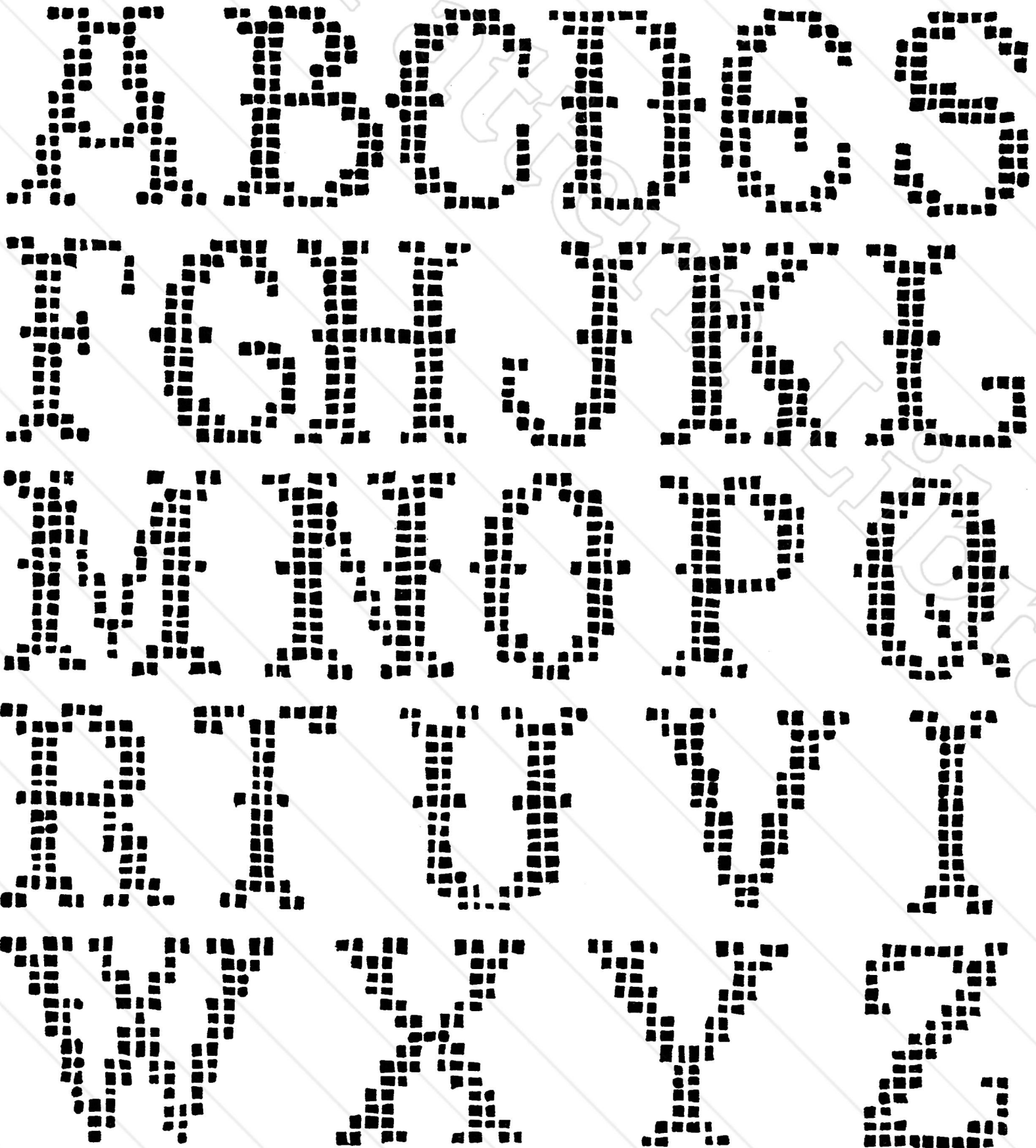
MATERIALS — Lily SKYTONE Mercerized Crochet Cotton No. 1 in Cream. Lily Six Strand Floss in 2 colors for flowers and green for leaves. Crochet hook size 5.

TIE BACK—Using 2 strands of SKYTONE, ch(chain) for 15 inches, (the gauge is 7 chain stitches to the inch), sc(single crochet) on chain to end. (Ch 1, turn, sc in each sc) for 9 more rows. Ch 3 for a dc (double crochet), (ch 4, sl-st(slip-stitch) in 4th ch st from hook for a p(picot), dc in next 2d st) around, making 2 p-loops at corners. Fasten off. Following



threaded to a dull-pointed needle. Steam and press on back. Line back of center of band with cloth.

NAPKIN HOLDER—Start with a chain of desired length (allowing for a lap), and make like Tie Back. Cross stitch an initial in place of one small flower at one end. Steam, press and line. Lap ends and fasten with dress snap.



CROCHETED DISH CLOTH

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A quick-to-make item, and one much in demand at bazaars, is a crocheted dish cloth, or a set of two or three. This dish cloth is easy to make, and the loose shell pattern is both pretty and practical. For one cloth you will need approximately 125 yards of white or cream mercerized, stringweight crochet cotton, and 19 yards of fast-color, stringweight thread in green, red, blue, or any color desired for ring and edging. Use No. 3 and No. 6 steel hooks.

RING: using No. 6 hook and working closely, with color ch (chain) 20, sl st (slip stitch) in 1st st of ch to form ring, slip ring over fingers and wrap thread around fingers with ring 7 or 8 times for padding, sc (single crochet) over ring as closely as possible to cover chain and padding, sl st in 1st sc, fasten off.

CLOTH: with No. 3 hook, and holding right side of ring up, attach white or cream thread over ring, ch 3, dc (double crochet) over ring, (ch 2, 2 dcs over ring) 3 times. Row 2: ch 3, turn, over next 2-ch work a shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs; over next (middle) 2-ch work a shell of 2 dcs, ch 5, 2 dcs; over next 2-ch work a shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs; dc in top st of 3-ch at end of previous row. Row 3: ch 3, turn, shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs over next 2-ch; over next 5-ch loop work 2 dcs, (ch 2, 2 dcs over same 5-ch loop) 3 times, shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs over next 2-ch; dc in top st of 3-ch at end of previous row.

Row 4: ch 3, turn, shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs over each 2-ch to center, over middle 2-ch work a shell of 2

dcs, ch 5, 2 dcs; shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs over each remaining 2-ch, dc in top st of 3-ch at end. Row 5: ch 3, turn, shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs over each 2-ch to center, over 5-ch loop at center work 2 dcs, (ch 2, 2 dcs over same 5-ch loop) 3 times, shell of 2 dcs, ch 2, 2 dcs over each remaining 2-ch, dc in top st of 3-ch at end.

Repeat Rows 4 and 5 until 25 rows have been worked, which should make about a 9" square; fasten off at the end of the 25th row, or any odd numbered row.

EDGING: holding right side of ring up, attach color in sc of ring above work, sc in sp (space) at end of 1st row, * in sp at end of next row work a shell of dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1, dc; sc in sp at end of next row. Repeat from * to corner. Last sc will come in sp at end of last row. Work corner shell in 1st dc of 1st shell across next side, sc over 2-ch of same shell, * shell in 1st dc of next shell, sc over 2-ch of same shell. Repeat from * to corner, making shell at corner over middle 2-ch at corner.

Work edging along other 2 sides to correspond with that already worked, sl st to ring, fasten off. Pin cloth face down on a padded surface, drawing out to a perfect square. Press with a damp cloth, then iron dry. To arrange attractively for bazaar or gift giving, make a handkerchief fold as for displaying handkerchiefs. Lay cloth face up, lay a 2" pleat across cloth from side to side, turning edge of pleat toward top edge. Lay a matching pleat across the cloth the other way, turning edge of pleat toward top. Press pleats flat.

CROCHETED HOT DISH MATS

The mats are crocheted of cotton rug yarn in a rolled stitch, which makes a heavy, practical mat. For the large mat, which measures about 7" by 8" without the fringe; and two small mats, which are about 5" square without the fringe, you will need approximately 65 yards of the color used for outer stripes, 45 yards for light

stripes, and 30 yards for "fagotting" rows between the stripes. Mats shown were made in rose, cream, and green, but you may use any color scheme desired. If a 2-color scheme is desired, all the stripes may be of the same color with the "fagotting" rows in the 2nd color. A No. 00 steel crochet hook was used. A hook which

has a heavy handle and tapers down to a head just barely large enough to carry the rug yarn is easiest to use in making the rolled stitch.

The yarn is fastened off at the end of each row. At beginning of each row start about 2½" from end of yarn, and at end of each row leave about a 2½" end when fastening off. Later these ends will be tied in with the fringe on ends, thus making a neat finish.

LARGE MAT: with rose, ch (chain) 25, sk (skip) 3 sts (stitches) of ch, in next (4th) st, make a rolled st: * thread over hook 5 times, thrust hook through st of ch, draw a loop through (7 loops now on hook), thread over hook and draw through all loops on hook except the last one (2 loops now remaining on hook). Thread over and draw through these 2 loops. This completes 1 rolled st. It may be necessary to twist the hook slightly and to use the thumb and forefinger to push the "thread overs" over the head of the hook. The column of the rolled st should be about ¾" high and should be a smooth roll.

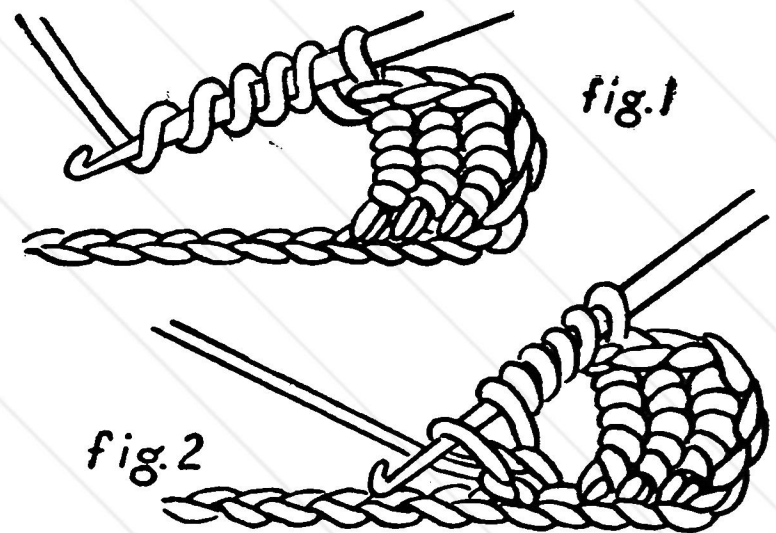
Repeat from * across row, working a rolled st in each remaining st of ch (22 rolled sts in all), ch 3, sl (slip) st in end st of ch with last rolled st, fasten off. Side up when working rolled sts in right side of work.

* Turn work over, attach green with a sc (single crochet) in top of last rolled st made, sc in each rolled st across row (22 scs), fasten off. Turn work over (right side up), attach cream in last sc made, ch 3, rolled st in same sc, rolled st in each remaining sc across row (22 rolled sts in all), ch 3, sl st in end sc with last rolled st, fasten off.

Repeat directions from *, alternating rose and cream stripes until there are 4 rose and 3 cream stripes separated by sc rows of green.

FRINGE: cut yarn into 4" lengths, allowing 2 rose pieces for each end of each rose stripe, 2 cream pieces for

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each end of each cream stripe, and 1 green piece for each end of each green row. Beginning at one corner, thrust hook up from wrong side between end ch at corner and 1st rolled st, double a piece of rose yarn, thrust hook through loop and draw through, pull end of yarn and also loose end of rose through loop, draw loop tight against end ch. Repeat across end, having 2 loops of fringe over 3-chs, and 1 loop over st at end of sc rows. Draw yarn ends into loop of same color. Tie fringe across 2nd end. Trim fringe to an even length of 1¼".

SMALL MAT: with rose, ch 15, sk 3 sts of ch, rolled st in next and each remaining st of ch (12 rolled sts in row), ch 3, sl st in end st of ch with last rolled st, fasten off. * Turn, attach green with sc in top of last rolled st made, sc in each remaining rolled st across row (12 sc in all), fasten off. Turn, attach cream in last sc made, ch 3, rolled st in same sc, rolled st in each remaining sc across row, ch 3, sl st in sc with last rolled st, fasten off.

Repeat from *, alternating rose and cream stripes until there are 3 rose stripes and 2 cream stripes, separated by sc rows of green. Tie fringe in ends of rows as directed for large mat. Place all mats face down on a heavily padded surface and steam with a damp cloth, then press dry.

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