

Homemaker's Pages



Crochet this Smart "Straw" — Yourself

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Many a fashion-wise young lady is making her wardrobe appear twice its size with the addition of smart straw-like hats crocheted from crepe paper. They're easy to make and without trimming, cost only 15 cents, the price of one fold of crepe. Simply cut the crepe paper in strips, stretch and twist them, and crochet as with yarn.

Crepe paper is a millinery favorite. It is durable and inexpensive and available in a variety of colors.

The hat shown is right for any sports costume. For a dress-up event, the pompon may be replaced by a bunch of flowers, and a veil added.

First cut the crepe paper across the grain into strips 3-8-inch wide. Stretch and twist these by hand or with an inexpensive gadget called a twister. The following directions are for a 22-inch head size. The stitch used is: S c, taking up both loops of previous st.

Crown. Ch 3, join in loop with sl st. 6 s c in loop. **Row 2.** 2 s c in every st. **Row 3.** 2 s c in every 2d st. **Row 4.** 2 s c in every 3d st. Continue increasing enough to keep crocheting almost flat until circle measures 2½ inches diameter. *increase 6 st evenly spaced around row*. Repeat from * to * until work measures 4¾ inches from center of top to edge. Work will cup slightly. Next 4 rows without increasing.

Start Headband. Next row. Decrease 1 st every 10 st. Next row. S c all around. Next row. S c 9, decrease 1 st every 10th st. Then decrease 1 st every 20 to 25 st. Do not decrease in the same place as in previous row. Continue until a 2½ inch head size is acquired. Work plain until work measures 7 inches center top to edge of brim.

Finish Hat. When completed hat will look like a beret. The underneath part (or headband) should be approximately 2 inches wide. With fingers or a warm iron, press the underneath part down flat. Catch it down all around with two rows of wool in a running stitch. Sew 3 wool pompons in place across the top.

Allay your fears about rain. In white or pastels, your bonnet will bear up beautifully; in deeper colors, if you must stay out in the rain, an inexpensive water repellent solution can be applied.



(Above) Club-house constructed by the members of Home Demonstration club, Wakefield, N. C. (Below) Mrs. Theo. B. Davis standing behind two of the leaders of this progressive organization, Mrs. D. S. Joyner and Mrs. S. H. Hoyle. (Photo by J.F.D.)

THE CLUB HOUSE ACTION BUILT

(North Carolina Home Demonstration Club Gets Real Results)

When progressive members of the Home Demonstration Club of Wakefield, N. C., wanted a real club house, they answered their own demand with action. Led by Mrs. S. H. Hoyle and Mrs. W. A. Joyner, they went into the woods, selected trees and then went to work on the logs with drawing knives, hatchets, old froes and mattocks. Food sales, a play, along with fair prizes and other funds went into the club's building treasury. Business firms and husbands helped, too. The result is shown in an accompanying picture. The main room of the house is 18 by 30 feet. A kitchen at the back forms a "T." Because of the interest and help of D. S. Joyner, the club was named in honor of his wife, "The Genia Joyner Home Demonstration Club." "Didn't we have a good time doing it!" say the hard-working ladies now.

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From Every State and 16 Foreign Lands

TO Washington during the early part of June came more than 6,000 farm women from every State and 16 foreign lands—for the third triennial conference of Associated Country Women of the World.

From the time the conference officially opened in Constitution Hall June 1, until the sun-down farewell ceremony at the water gate of Arlington Memorial Bridge, the gaily-dressed delegates had hardly a spare moment.

High point of the meeting was on Monday when, after having been officially greeted by Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace, and addressed by Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the farm women gathered on the lawn of the White House for a garden party at which President Roosevelt was speaker.

"People are prone to forget," said the President, "that by far the greater part of the world's population is actively engaged in agriculture or is directly dependent on the results of agriculture. But we are coming more and more to realize that the city dwellers cannot be prosperous, cannot work in their factories and their stores unless the agricultural population and those dependent on them have a greater purchasing power throughout the years."

Virginia, with 700 delegates, had the largest delegation, while North Carolina was second with approximately 650. Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and South Carolina were all well represented.

Among the more interesting exhibits on display were: a fancy coverlet from West Virginia; a miniature farm home made of cornstalks from Kentucky; rye-straw mats from North Carolina; an exhibit of cross-stitching from Maryland.



COTTAGE CHEESE SANDWICHES

The hostess who enjoys serving delicious sandwiches, the kind which are bound to bring forth exclamations of delight from her guests, will do well to remember the possibilities of cottage cheese as a sandwich spread, the next time she entertains.

One cottage cheese sandwich which is especially delectable is that which combines prepared mustard and cottage cheese. Try it and see if you don't enjoy this new taste thrill.

Cottage Cheese Sandwich: Use white, whole wheat or cracked wheat bread. Spread the bread first with mustard; then cover with a generous serving of cottage cheese. Chopped nuts, olives, pimientos, dates or raisins may be added.

If you prefer the open faced sandwich when entertaining, follow this recipe:

Cottage Cheese Goggles: Cut bread into attractive shapes with cookie cutters. Spread with mustard and cottage cheese. Top with any of the following: nut meats, pickles, cherries, caviar, pimiento, or stuffed olives. If you desire a fine smooth texture in your cheese spread, force the cottage cheese through a potato ricer or sieve before using.

Wardrobe Chic for Midsummer



TEXAS CENTENNIAL Pattern No. 9708

The Texas Centennial and Spanish trend in spectator sports wear, is illustrated by Universal's lovely Priscilla Lawson. Lines conform to simple treatment universally demanded by style-lovers and a bolero characteristic which is taking the world by storm this season.

Pattern designed for sizes 14, 16, 18, 20; 40 and 42. Size 16 requires 4½ yards of 39-inch material for the dress, and ¾ yard for the bolero. Skirt and belt require ¾ yard.

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SUMMER SPORT FROCK

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