

# 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 ever 2d st. Row 4. 2 s c in ever 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 21½ 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.P.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.

## From Every State

TO Washington during the early part of the year, representing 16 foreign lands—for the benefit of the World.

From the time the conference opened down farewell ceremony at the water gates had hardly a spare moment.

High point of the meeting was on Monday when Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt were at the White House for a garden party at which

"People are prone to forget," said the Secretary, "but the population is actively engaged in agriculture."

"But we are coming more and more dependent on them have a greater purchasing power."

Virginia, with 700 delegates, had the largest representation. Maryland and South Carolina were all well represented.

Among the more interesting exhibits was a miniature farm home made of cornstarch and an exhibit of cross-stitching from Maryland.



## COTTAGE CHEESE SANDWICH

The hostess who enjoys serving forth exclamations of delight from her guests will find cottage cheese as a sandwich spread, the most delicious.

One cottage cheese sandwich which is delicious with mustard and cottage cheese. Try it and you will like it.

*Cottage Cheese Sandwich:* Use whole wheat bread first with mustard; then cover with cottage cheese, olives, pimientos, dates or nuts.

If you prefer the open faced sandwich:

*Cottage Cheese Canapes:* Cut bread into small squares, spread with mustard and cottage cheese. Top with olives, caviar, pimiento, or stuffed olives. Spread, force the cottage cheese through the bread.

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