

Housing Question Box

Question: Does a real shower bath require a separate compartment of its own?

Answer: Many people prefer to have the shower placed in a separate compartment, but it is entirely practical to install it over the tub. The size of a large number of bath rooms make this the only solution to the shower problem. Plumbing contractors will be glad to advise on the type of equipment best suited to any particular bathroom.

Question: I understand brick are sold by the thousand. How many per square foot would I have to buy to build a brick veneer home?

Answer: The number of brick required depends upon the size of the brick, the thickness of the mortar joints and the method of construction. Assuming that you use a standard brick 2 1/4 inches by 3 3/4 inches by 8 inches in size and a 3-8 inch mortar joint, with the brick laid flat, then figure on 6 1-2 bricks per square foot of wall.

Question: Does the owner of a home carrying a mortgage insured by the Federal Housing Administration have to carry fire, tornado and earthquake insurance?

Answer: Section 9 of Article 5 of "Regulations of the Federal Housing Administration for mutual mortgage insurance dated November 1, 1934, as amended November 27, 1934," prescribes that a mortgage eligible for insurance must provide for "such equal monthly payments by the mortgagor to the mortgagee as will amortize the estimated amount of all fire and other casualty insurance premiums, within a period ending one month prior to their final due dates." The owner, therefore, must "carry" fire insurance and such other casualty as the mortgagee may reasonably require. The monthly payments on accounts of insurance premiums are paid together with and in addition to the installment on account of principal, interest, etc.

SEEK TO DESTROY INSECTS

Hyde County farmers are burning off all ditch banks, plowing land early and burning corn stalks in an effort to destroy insects which damaged the corn and soybean crops severely last season.

PEANUT SIGN-UP COMPLETED

The peanut sign-up campaign has about been completed in Eastern Carolina. County agents report a more than 95 per cent sign-up.

Must Limit Potatoes Or Accept Low Prices

Present indications are that North Carolina Irish potato growers will lose heavily on their 1935 crop unless they reduce it by 30 per cent or more, says E. B. Morrow, extension horticulturist at State College.

Basing his statement on figures supplied by A. E. Mercer, secretary of the Interstate Early Potato Committee, Morrow said that the anticipated crop of 8,500 carloads would probably sell for \$1,500,000 less than the cost of production.

But if the crop is limited to 5,000 cars, he added, the growers stand in position to clear over \$1,100,000 above production costs. In other words, a reduction of 3,500 cars will put \$2,600,000 into the growers' pockets.

Some growers have expressed intentions of producing a big crop this year in order to establish as large a base as possible, said Morrow, who is executive secretary of the North Carolina Potato Growers Association.

But Morrow pointed out that the potato advisory committee has requested that the base period be 1930-34 inclusive, and it is not likely that the 1935 crop will have any effect upon the base average.

Furthermore, he said, there is not enough chance of the 1935 crop affecting the base, through a special ruling or otherwise, to justify the growers producing a big crop this year at a heavy loss.

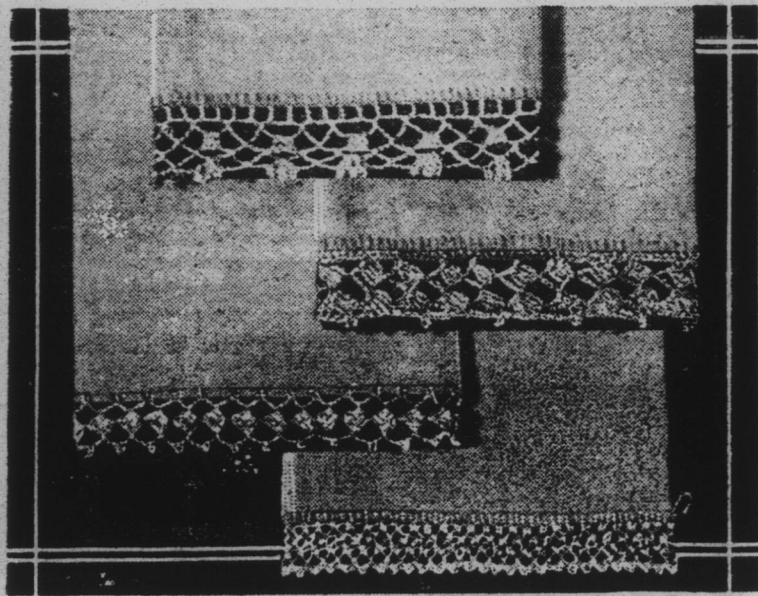
Among the advisory committee recommendations are: Determination by the secretary of agriculture of the advisable size of the annual crop to be marketed so as to maintain a parity price; a flexible basis of allotments to states; a tax of half a cent a pound on all potatoes marketed which are not covered by tax-exemption certificates; transference of certificates between growers when desired, and a referendum on the plan after it has been in force one year.

FARMERS' MUTUAL EXCHANGE DOES GOOD BUSINESS FOR YEAR

The Davidson Farmers' Mutual Exchange did a business amounting to \$46,494.55 during the past year, according to an announcement made by the secretary at the recent annual meeting.

TRY A HERALD WANT-AD!

"I Made For My Friend..."



(Being The Domestic Secrets of An American Housewife.)
By NATALIE ABBOTT

I have a very fastidious friend who always has books and flowers and candy, so when I visit her or give her a present I try to give her something useful and lasting. For her birthday I made her this set of towels with crocheted edgings. The edges are crocheted of mercerized crochet cotton and are worked directly on to the hem of the towel. I am particularly fond of the design of the top one. Here is how I worked it out in a pale yellow crocheted cotton.

Materials: Mercerized crochet size 30 in self-shading or solid boil-fast colors; steel crochet hook No. 8.

Turn narrow hem and baste or hem in place. If hem is already on towel, work directly into the edge.

1. 1st row: Attach thread and work row of s c along edge of towel. Ch 5, turn. 2nd row: Skip 2 s c, * 1 d c in next s c, ch 2, skip 2 s c, and repeat from *. Ch 7, turn. 3rd row: * Skip 1 sp, s c into next ch-1, repeat from * across row. 4th row: Ch 5, turn s c in 1st loop, * ch 3, 4 d c into next loop, ch 3, s c in next loop. Repeat from *. 5th row: Ch 7, turn, s c in 1st loop, * ch 7, s c in next loop. Repeat from *. 6th row: Ch 5, turn, * 1 s c in 1st loop, ch 3, 1 d c in 4th ch of next loop, ch 3, sl at in the 1st ch (this forms a p), 1 d c in same st as 1st d c, repeat until there are 3 p and 4 d c (shell), ch 3, repeat from * across. Fasten off.

2. 1st row: S c closely along edge of towel, ch 1, turn. 2nd row: 1 s c in each st of previous row. The remainder of this edge is worked crosswise. Row 1: Ch 19, 1 s c

in 11th ch from hook, ch 8, skip 4 sts of ch-19, 1 s c in 5th st, ch 4, 1 s c in 3rd s c along edge of towel. Row 2: Ch 4, turn, 3 tr in sl st of ch-4 loop of previous row, 1 s c in 4th st of next ch loop. Ch 4, 3 tr in next st, 1 tr in 5th st of last ch loop. Row 3: Ch 8, 1 s c in 3rd tr, ch 8, 1 s c in 3rd tr of next group, ch 4, skip 6 sts of s c along edge, 1 s c in next st. Subsequent rows: Repeat Rows 2 and 3 alternately. Finish edge with row of s c worked closely with 1 ch-3 p over every other shell.

3. 1st row: Attach thread and make 2 s c close together in edge of towel, ch 5, * leave about 1/4 inch space and make 2 s c in edge. Ch 5, and repeat from * to end of row. Turn. 2nd row: Ch 3, turn, 1 d c in center st of 1st ch-5 loop, * ch 3, 4 d c just made (this makes a shell), 1 d c in center st of next ch-5 loop. Repeat from *. 3rd row: Sl st across top of 1st shell, * ch 6, 1 sl st in 3rd ch from hook (making p), ch 2, 1 s c in last st of shell. Repeat from *.

4. 1st row: S c evenly across end of towel, ch 1, turn. 2nd row: * Make 1 knot st (to make a knot st, draw loop out on hook 1/4 inch, ch 1 through this loop, 1 s c over the single loop at the left side of the st just made), skip 2 s c of foundation, 1 s c in next st, repeat from * to end of row. Ch 1, turn. 3rd row: * 1 knot st, 1 s c over top 2 loops of knot st of previous row, repeat from *, ch 1, turn. 4th and 5th rows: Same as 3rd row. 6th row: Over all three loops of each knot st, make 2 s c, 1 p, 2 s c, to end.

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