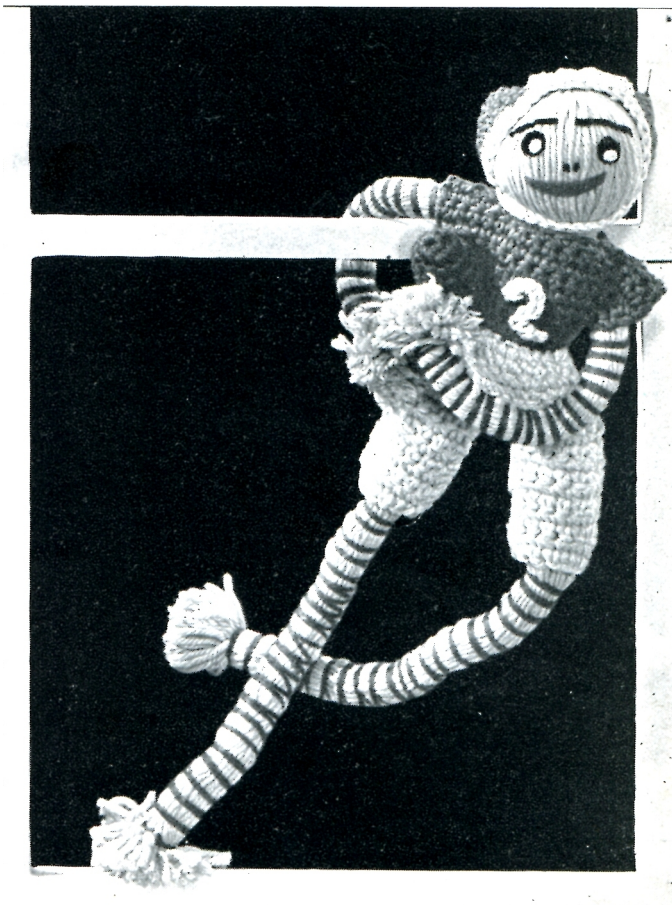


THESE ARE ABOUT THE SIMPLEST DOLLS IN THE WORLD TO MAKE. A FEW WINDS AROUND A CARDBOARD, A TIE AND DECORATION WITH RIBBON OR FELT AND YOU HAVE AN ENJOYABLE COMPANION FOR A COLLEGE DORM OR YOUR FAVORITE NURSERY.



## *Football Hero*

Materials Required:

AMERICAN THREAD COMPANY

"AUNT LYDIA'S" HEAVY RUG YARN, Article 235  
3 skeins Cork

1 skein each National Blue and Buttercup

2 inch x 2 inch Section Red and Black felt

Aluminum Crochet Hook No. G

With Cork work Body over a 26 inch cardboard in same manner as Basic Doll. Do not braid arms and legs. Tie 5 inches from 1st tying for head section, fill with cotton.

Wind cork over a 21 inch cardboard for arms, tie about 1 inch from each end for hands. Attach National Blue at top of hand tying and wind tightly over entire arms winding twice around arms and having about 1/2 inch of Cork showing through as illustrated. Fasten National Blue at other hand and trim hands evenly.

Insert arms, tie again 2 1/2 inches below for waist, then tie again 1 inch below. Divide lower section into 2 equal parts for legs. Tie National Blue about 5 inches from waist and work leg stripes same as arms. Trim legs evenly.

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**VEST:** With National Blue chain (ch) 10, 1 single crochet (sc) in 2nd stitch (st) from hook, 1 sc in each st of ch, ch 1, turn.

**2nd Row:** 1 sc in each sc, ch 1, turn.

**3rd Row:** Work 1 sc in each sc working 2 sc in 1st and last sc, ch 1, turn. Repeat last row 3 times, then work 3 rows even, cut yarn. Work another section in same manner.

**PANTS:** With Buttercup work first 3 rows same as Vest. Repeat 3rd row of Vest 2 more times.

**6th Row:** 1 sc in each of the next 7 sc, ch 1, turn (leg part). Repeat last row until leg measures 4 1/4 inches or length desired, cut yarn. With wrong side of 5th row toward you skip center st, attach yarn in next st and work other leg to correspond, cut yarn. Work another section in same manner. Sew Pants section to Vest section at waist line. Place on body, join back section to front section by sewing first 6 sts on each shoulder. Sew underarm and pant seams as illustrated.

**HELMET:** With National Blue ch 3, join to form a ring, ch 1 and work 6 sc in ring, do not join. Place a marker at beginning of each round.

**2nd Round:** 2 sc in each sc.

**3rd Round:** 1 sc in each sc.

**4th Round:** 1 sc in each sc increasing 4 sts evenly spaced.

**5th Round:** Same as 4th round, sl st in next st to even round, cut yarn. Work another section in same manner (side sections).

Center section of Helmet. With Buttercup ch 13, 1 sc in 2nd st from hook, 1 sc in each st of ch, ch 1, turn.

**2nd Row:** 1 sc in each sc, ch 1, turn. Repeat last row twice, cut yarn.

With Buttercup crochet center section to side sections of Helmet and work a row of sc all round helmet, cut yarn.

**CHIN STRAP:** With Buttercup ch 15, slip stitch (sl st) in 2nd st from hook, 1 sl st in each st of ch, cut yarn and sew in position at each side.

**NUMBER:** With Buttercup ch 15, cut yarn. Shape number desired and sew to center of Vest.

**FACE:** Cut eyes and eyebrows of Black felt, nose and mouth of Red felt and paste in position.

**FOOTBALL:** With Buttercup work first 2 rows of Helmet, then work 6 more rows even. Fill with cotton.

**Next Row:** Decrease in every 2 sts (to decrease: insert hook in next st, pull loop through, insert hook in next st, pull loop through, yarn over and pull through all loops at one time).

Repeat last row once, cut yarn.