SCOTTIE-IN PUFF STITCH

A Hot Pot Holder in the Kitchen

One of the most novel pot holders to be crocheted that we have ever seen! Firm and heavy for use with hottest pots and pans, — a dressy, ornamental holder to hang beside the stove. It's double — to slip over the handle!

MATERIALS: 100 yds. White Enterprise Yarn and just a few yards of color (for eye and collar) will be needed for the holders. The Sleepy Time Scottie will need 60 to 75 yards more, of White, for the inset piece. Steel Crochet Hook No. 1.

NOTE: Puff Stitch is a new stitch—there are new abbreviations not commonly used in crocheting, in these instructions:— for increases (inc.) make 1 sc, 1 dc in first st, to start puff row; 1 dc, 1 sc, in last st to end a puff row. Also PUFF STITCH OR PUFFS are indicated as PS.

Two sides will be needed for either the holders or the toy.

Starting at feet, with White ch 8, 7 sc on chain.

ROW 2: Ch 1, turn, sc in last sc, * 2 dc in next sc, holding final loop of each dc on hook, thread over and pull through all three loops at once. (1 puff st (PS) made), sc in next sc, (pull it down tight, to let the ps puff out on back of work) which will be the right side. Repeat from * across (3 Ps).

ROW 3: Ch 1, turn, sc in first sc, (sc in ps, sc in next sc), repeat across (7 sc). Repeat Row 2.

ROW 5: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 6 sts, 2 sc in end sc.

ROW 6: Ch 1, turn, sc, dc, (an inc.), in first sc, sc in next sc, ps in next, repeat to end (3 ps and 1 inc.).

ROW 7: Ch 1, turn, sc in each st (9 sc). Repeat Row 2, (4 ps). Break thread and make second piece to correspond, working inc. at beginning of sc rows with ch 2, turn, sc in second st from hook, sc in each st across. Then work puff row to within 1 st of end, inc. in end st. Repeat last 2 rows of first foot (making inc. as before at opposite ends of row) then ch 7, sl st to first sc in puff Row 8 of first foot. Cut thread 2" from work.

BODY: With right side up, attach thread to first sc of first foot, ch 1, sc in each st across, working over ends, covering them up (25 sc in row).
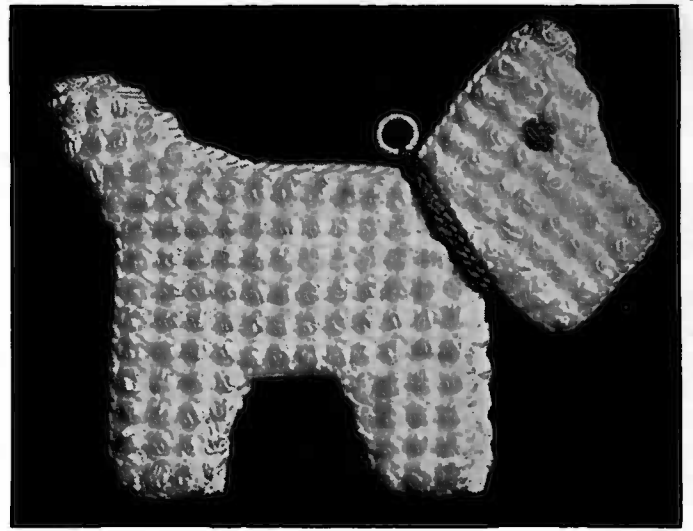
ROW 2: Ch 1, turn, ps across (12 ps). Repeat Rows 1 and 2 twice.

ROW 7: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 23 sts.

ROW 8: Ch 1, turn, work 11 ps in row. Repeat Row 7 (21 sc), then Row 8 (10 ps).

ROW 11: Ch 2, turn, sk 1 st of 2-ch, sc in next 22 sts across.

ROW 12: Ch 1, turn, 10 ps across, inc. in end sc.

TAIL: Ch 1, turn, sc in first 9 sts, ch 1, turn, 4 ps in row. Ch 2, sk 1 st of 2-ch, sc in next 8 sts. Ch 1, turn, 3 ps to end, inc. in end st. Ch 1, turn, sc in first 7 sts. Ch 1, turn, sk 2 sc (sc in next, ps in next) repeat once, sc in end st. Ch 1, turn, sc in first 5 sts. Fasten off.

HEAD: Ch 12, 11 sc on ch. Ch 1, turn, 5 ps across. Ch 1, turn, sc in each 11 sts across. Ch 1, turn, 5 ps in row. Ch 1, turn, sc in each 11 sts. Ch 1, turn, 5 ps in row. Ch 1, turn, sc in each st to end. 2 sc in end st (12 sc). Ch 1, turn, inc. in first sc, (sc in next, ps in next) repeat across (5 ps and 1 inc.). Ch 1, turn, sc in each st to end, 2 sc in end st (14 sc). Ch 1, turn, inc. in first sc, sc in next, ps in next, sc in next, holding 2 loops of last sc on hook, drop White on wrong side, draw loop of color through 2 loops on hook, completing sc, work over starting end of color and White, carrying it along, make 1 ps in color (for eye), pick up White, draw through 2 loops of final sc, fasten off color, and complete row of puffs in White. Ch 1, turn, sc in each st to end, 2 sc in end sc (16 sc). Ch 1, turn, inc. in first sc, work in ps to end of row. Ch 1, turn, sc in 17 sts. Ch 1, turn, 7 ps in row. Ch 1, turn, sc in each st across. Fasten off.

Sew head to body as illustrated. Make second side to correspond, BUT BE SURE TO MAKE INCREASES AND DECREASES AT OPPOSITE ENDS OF EACH ROW, so that when wrong sides of work are placed in position to sew together, they will be alike and same size.

FOR HOLDER: Pad each half, then line with muslin. Press each piece on wrong side. Place padded sides together, starting at base of neck and stitch together around nose, head, and across top of body and around to base of tail.

COLLAR: With color, ch 26, 25 sc on ch. Cut thread 6" from work, thread to needle, place around neck and sew ends together. Sew bone ring to collar as illustrated.

A CUDDLY, SLEEPY-TIME TOY IN THE NURSERY

With a crocheted inset piece to go between the sides and stuffed; Scottie is a soft, cuddly sleeping toy. Unlike so many store toys, it may be washed, blocked and restuffed when soiled. So soft it won't hurt a sleeping child when rolled on in the crib.

After making the two sides as for holder, an inset piece is crocheted to be placed between the sides to give depth and room for stuffing as follows:

Ch 8, 7 sc on chain. Repeat Rows 2 and 3 of feet alternately, until 79 rows of puffs are complete. Do not cut thread. This inset is to be stitched between the two body pieces at edge, on right side of work. Start sewing at back of neck, with end of piece so that rows may be added or taken off if needed. When exact length of inset is determined, break thread and sew ends together. Care must be taken that either body or inset is not drawn, in stitching, or stretched. Be sure when sewing that all corners are exactly opposite. Leave opening at top of body,—stuff, and close. Work collar same as for holder using 40 sts for chain.

A colored puff for nose can be worked on inset and mouth embroidered, if wanted.

There are instructions for a Humpty Dumpty Doll, an Elephant, a Duck and a Rabbit, with pictures in color, in "Quick Crochet," another book of instructions for Enterprise Yarn. "Quick Crochet" shows more than 35 interesting gadgets to crochet for gifts and bazaars or personal use. Ask your dealer for it—if not available we will send it for 10c.