

CROCHETERS!

ENTER THE 1955 NATIONWIDE CROCHET CONTEST

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Here's your chance to win big cash awards with your crochet. Enter the nationwide crochet contest at our fair and compete for over \$3,000 in prize money to be awarded national winners by the National Needlecraft Bureau. The grand national champion will receive \$500 plus an all-expense-paid trip to New York City. Other free trips will go to the top winner in the "men only" and "teen age" classifications.

The best of fair trophy, illustrated above, engraved with the name of our fair, will be awarded to the contestant whose piece is chosen best of all entries. You can enter any one or more of 16 classifications. If your entry is awarded a nationwide crochet contest blue ribbon as first prize winner in one of these classifications it can compete in the national finals in New York City.

To be eligible for judging, your article must be made of mercerized crochet cotton in any size thread up to and including 100, and must be completed this year. After the judging at our fair, we will report the names of the winners in all classifications to the National Needlecraft Bureau, who will send official entry blanks for the national finals to the winners. The pieces may then be mailed to the National Needlecraft Bureau in New York City for the national judging.

Our fair secretary has complete rules and regulations for the nationwide crochet contest. Write or call for your copy now!

Nationwide crochet contest rules are as follows:

1. All entries must have won a nationwide crochet contest blue ribbon at a participating state, county or local fair. Contact your fair for entry requirements.

2. All entries must have been completed since January 1, 1955, except in those cases where participating fairs are held prior to April 1, 1955. In the latter case, entries completed since July 1, 1954, are acceptable.

3. All entries must be crocheted of mercerized crochet cotton in any size thread up to and including 100. Mercerized crochet cotton with a metallic strand is also eligible.

4. A contestant may submit as many entries as have fulfilled all the foregoing rules.

5. National judging in New York will be based on workmanship, beauty of design and general appearance. Decision of judges will be final. In case of a tie, duplicate prizes will be awarded.

Nationwide crochet contest prizes include:

Grand national champion: \$500 (this includes classification first prize award), plus a free trip to New York City.

Teen-age girl champion: \$100 first prize award, plus a free trip to New York City for herself and one parent or guardian.

Men's champion: \$100 first prize award, plus a free trip to New York City.

Classifications: Tablecloths, bedspreads, luncheon cloths, cen-

terpieces (14" and over), buffet and vanity sets, chair sets, doilies (under 14"), scarves and wall panels, pot holders and hot plate mats, place mats, other household accessories, edgings and insertions, fashion accessories, ladies over 65, men only, teen-age girls. Extra awards are being made in the 1955 nationwide crochet contest.

Smart Crochet magazine offers \$600 in special awards for original designs eligible for participation in the 1955 nationwide crochet contest. An original design is one you made up, not previously published. If your design is original, mark it so on your entry tag.

All original designs receiving nationwide crochet contest blue ribbons in any of the 16 contest classifications will be eligible for the following Smart Crochet original design awards in the final judging in New York City.

First award\$200.00
 Second award 125.00
 Third award 100.00
 Fourth award 75.00
 Honorable mentions (10) at \$10 each 100.00

Total\$600.00

Pictures of the designs receiving the first four awards, the names of the winners, and the fairs at which they qualified, will be published in Smart Crochet. Directions will also be published unless, because of excess length, they are not suitable editorial material. All entries will be insured from the time received until they are returned.

If you have further questions, write to National Needlecraft Bureau, Inc., Smart Crochet Awards, 430 Park Avenue, New York 22, N.Y.

Page, O'Neill Bands Planning Concerts

Two of Holt county's own musical organizations—the Page band and the O'Neill Municipal band—have been signed for fair concerts.

The Page band, under the direction of Prof. Leonard Sawyer, will be heard on Friday, August 19. The O'Neill band, under the baton of Prof. Charles B. Houser, will make with midway music on Saturday, August 20 — the final day of the fair.

Both musical organizations will be heard in concerts at 1 p.m., and 7 p.m., at the grandstand.

Johnny Mullen's orchestra has been contracted to furnish music both Friday and Saturday nights, August 19 and 20, under the stars. Outdoor dancing long has been an established entertainment feature at the Holt fairs.

Plugge to Furnish Stock for Rodeo—

Walter Plugge, well-known Wheeler county rancher, once again will have about one hundred head of wild horses, bulls and calves at the annual Holt county fair and rodeo to be held at Chambers.

Rodeo dates are Friday and

Saturday, August 19 and 20.

"These animals are really wild," Plugge says. "The wild horses are fierce buckers and quite unpredictable in their actions."

Contest will be conducted under RCA rules and will be viewed by professional judges.

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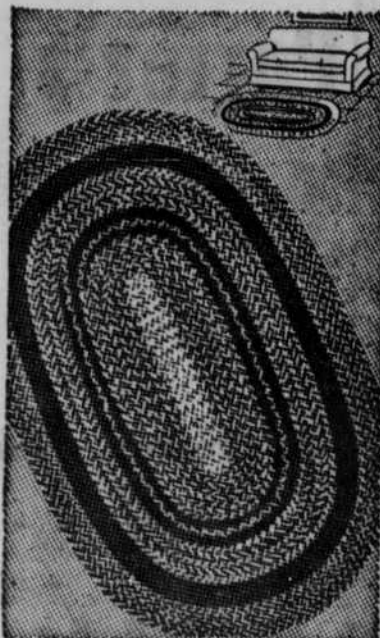
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