

### Afghan That's Smart and Easy to Crochet

You will love to have this choice afghan, made of just a simple square. Joined, it forms an effective design. There are a variety of other ways of joining it, all given in the pattern. Use three



Pattern 5941.

colors of Germantown or make half the squares in one set of colors, the other in another with background always the same. In pattern 5941 you will find directions for making the afghan and a pillow; an illustration of it and of the stitches used; material requirements, and color suggestions. To obtain this pattern, send 15 cents in stamps or coins (coins preferred) to The Sewing Circle, Household Arts Dept., 259 W. Fourteenth St., New York, N. Y.

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## New Orleans Begins Celebrating Famed Mardi Gras for 113th Time

Brought from Paris by a Gay Group of Students in 1827, This Age-Old European Festival, Elaborately Developed in an American Setting, Has Added to the Renown of the Louisiana Metropolis as the Carnival Capital of Two Hemispheres.

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COURT OF JOY—King and Queen of Mardi Gras hold court during one of the gay masques as courtiers present the costumed guests to the royal majesties of revelry.

By ELMO SCOTT WATSON

DOWN in "N'Yawlins" (or perhaps you call it "Nu Orliuns" or "New Orleans") they're getting ready to celebrate a festival which has made the Louisiana metropolis the carnival capital of two hemispheres. It's the Mardi Gras, that ostentatious pageant which, like a fairy tale come true, parades year after year through the streets of that picturesque old Louisiana city where the old blends with the new in such bewildering fashion.

Each year the splendor, pomp and pageantry of the Mardi Gras increases and this year the city is spending lavishly to create a spectacular demonstration that will remain alive in the memories of the multitude of revelers until next year's celebration rolls 'round again. To be celebrated against the background of Louisiana's new era of golden prosperity, the result of the "fair play to industry" program instituted by Gov. Richard W. Leche a little more than a year ago, the 1938 Mardi Gras is expected to be more spectacular than at any previous time in its history of more than a century.

In this year's carnival the light-hearted Creoles of Louisiana are preparing to acclaim the good times the state is enjoying as a result of an industrial expansion which has brought \$47,000,000 of new capital there in a little more than a year, largely due to the "salesmanship" of Governor Leche, himself a descendant of an old Creole family and at thirty-nine, one of the youngest state executives in the nation.

Although most people have the idea that the Mardi Gras is a one-day celebration when thousands of visitors from all states and many foreign lands join with the citizenry of New Orleans in their merry-making, this is only partly true. As a matter of fact, the celebration has already begun.

It started in slow tempo on January 6, but from now on the pace quickens and it will reach its height of joyousness on Mardi Gras day, which is "Fat Tuesday" or Shrove Tuesday.

This year Mardi Gras day falls on March 1, thus giving revelry in New Orleans free swing for 53 days and nights. But at the dawn of Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the solemn, penitential period of Lent, the frolics die down, the merry-makers depart and the city once more settles down to the leisurely pace which is New Orleans for ten months of the year—awaiting another Mardi Gras.

Secret orders, known as "krewes," dominate the social arrangements of Mardi Gras, supervising and planning the gorgeous street parades and the scintillating masques, the balls. Membership in the secret orders is restricted carefully. Members must meet rigid requirements. They pay fees to cover the cost of their Mardi Gras costumes, the floats, and the costumery of the kind and queen. The king's robes alone cost \$2,000, and the queen's royal jewels—usually thousands of rhinestones and precious gems fashioned artistically—are valued at nearly half that amount. Her costume is an evening gown. Besides the krewes of Comus, Twelfth Night Revelers, and Rex, there are three other large secret

social cliques. These are Mor-nus, Proteus, and Hermes. Although the carnival season swings along at moderate tempo after its opening with the January 6 ball, it develops into a merry whirl that leads from the ball-a-week pace to a ball a night during the final week, winding up with both the Comus and Rex balls in a merger of splendor.

Spectacular night parades staged by the secret societies cater to the visiting crowds. The carnival reaches its acme on Mardi Gras day with the street parade of the Krewe of Rex. The procession, formed by a score of floats and several thousand attendants, strings for five miles through the city along historic, crowd-thronged St. Charles and Canal streets.

Floats, on which months of work have been spent by artist and artisan, are drawn by white mules arrayed in holiday trappings. The floats, breath-taking in their beauty, are fashioned to



CARNIVAL KISS—Romance roams the streets during Mardi Gras and lovers make no secret of openly proclaiming their affections, as this couple appears to be doing.

depict some theme, mythological figure, creed of the social order or historic happening.

Rex, king of the carnival, rides regally on his throne perched on the leading float and is surrounded by members of his court and the courtiers, who toss trinkets to the surging crowds. The trinkets, the king's largess to his subjects, cause a mad scramble for the crowds as they surge forward to capture the mementoes to be treasured as reminders of the carnival.

There are few who understand the admirable and thorough system of organization through which the grandeur is attained. It is a system as complete and efficient as an army or a government—in fact, it is a "phantom

government" which carries out its arrangements for the carnival steeped in mystery. Each of the secret societies numbers from 150 to 200 men, generally club men and those prominent in social and civic affairs. Usually 100 are selected to appear in the public displays, and for the most part the others remain in the background directing the colossal pageant.

The preparations for one display require almost a year. Torch lights of one master Mardi Gras pageant hardly die when work is begun to fashion another carnival, still under the cover of strict secrecy. The first step after the merry whirl that leads from the ball-a-week pace to a ball a night during the final week, winding up with both the Comus and Rex balls in a merger of splendor.

Don't be caught around the house without your best foot forward. You needn't be, with this crisp and flattering morning frock at your beck and call. Simple as pie, yet charming fresh and youthful, this model dispenses with all fussy details. The skirt flares a bit from a neatly fitted waistline, and the ric-rac trim, in contrast, adds a note of bright-

ness. Just nine pieces including the belt and pockets. Try dotted swiss or a printed percale. For the Full Figure. This charming frock is really more than a house frock—you'll find it flattering enough and dressy enough to wear throughout the day. The slim, straight lines make every provision for comfort. The skirt has a kick pleat at front, the sleeves are full and pleated, and the neck line is just right to be very flattering. Furthermore you can make this dress, of a rayon print or gay percale, in a brief afternoon.

The Patterns. Pattern 1450 is designed for sizes 12 to 20 (32 to 38 bust). Size 14 (32) requires 3 3/4 yards of 39 inch material with short sleeves. Fourteen inch zipper required for front closing. Pattern 1312 is designed for sizes 14 to 44 (32 to 44 bust). Size 16 (34) requires 3 3/4 yards of 39 inch fabric; 1 3/4 yards braid required for trimming. Pattern 1444 is designed for sizes 36 to 52. Size 38 requires 4 3/4 yards of 35 or 39 inch material; 1/2 yard required for revers facing in contrast. Bow requires 1/2 yard ribbon.

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### Can Spring Be Far Away?



WITH Winter almost over, March blizzards to the contrary notwithstanding, you find yourself eyeing the fashion sheets a little more than casually. Indeed you probably already have your needle threaded, just waiting for some nice Spring patterns to make your acquaintance. And here they are, three quick tricks, each pleasantly awaiting your choice, each designed to make some wardrobe happy. Which do you prefer?

**Fitted Bodies.** Look your Sunday best in this graceful afternoon frock with its snug and softly shirred waistline. The skirt flares slightly to the front and emphasizes the slimmness of the silhouette. Note the saddle shoulder and short, puffed sleeves—details that are unusually becoming and make for distinction. One of the new widely spaced flower patterns in rayon or silk will make your informal afternoons and evening a double delight, and the pattern is very simple.

**Trim Morning Frock.** Don't be caught around the house without your best foot forward. You needn't be, with this crisp and flattering morning frock at your beck and call. Simple as pie, yet charming fresh and youthful, this model dispenses with all fussy details. The skirt flares a bit from a neatly fitted waistline, and the ric-rac trim, in contrast, adds a note of bright-

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### Strange Facts

Flyers or Gliders?

"WHERE the flying fishes play" may mean anywhere in the tropical and subtropical waters as well as in the Indian ocean as Kipling implied. In eluding their enemies, the tuna and the shark, these curiously favored silvery fish rise free of the water and glide through the air as far as several hundred yards, touching the crests of waves now and then to wet their fins.

While their pectoral fins are large and wing-shaped, and their tail fin extends downward in a long lobe, it has been difficult to determine whether flying fish actually use their wings to propel themselves or whether these appendages remain stationary, serving the same purpose as the wings of an airplane. It is known, however, that their tails supply the force that pushes their bodies out of the water, and it is possible that the momentum thus gained enables them to glide.

Of the various known species, the Catalina flying fish, found off the coast of southern California, is the largest. These are sometimes 18 inches in length, and are caught in large quantities for food. The sharp-nosed species appears off both coasts of tropical and sub-tropical America. In South America, there is a river fish which skims along the surface of the water like a racing boat and then rises to a short flight.

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### Mistake-O-Graph Answers

1. There are no letters on the desk, contrary to the man's statement.
2. One of his coat lapels is turned the wrong way.
3. Phone is not connected.
4. Pencil sharpener has no handle.
5. No hands on desk clock.
6. Lamp is lit, but not connected.
7. Calendar on wall is out of date and numbers are in incorrect order.
8. Bookkeeper's stool does not reach floor.
9. Tacks on seat of chair.
10. Penholder lacks a point.
11. Dollar bills in waste basket.
12. Desk faces wrong way.
13. Handles on drawers are unlike.
14. Desk legs are different.
15. Statue labeled "Lincoln" is not Lincoln.

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### The Drawbacks

"Dear Mrs. Pucket," a school teacher wrote to the mother of a pupil, "William was absent this morning. Will you please tell me what kept him out of school?" "Dear Ma'am," was the reply. "William is keeping time for his father. Last nite he cum home with an exampel about how long would it take a man walking 3 miles an hour to walk two and a half times around a field 4 miles square. And as Willie ain't no man, we had to send his pap."

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### Mistake-O-Graph



This week finds our aspiring artist in the marts of trade, having made his way into the office of one of our captains of industry. Here are his impressions, taken down rather hastily, it seems. There are fifteen mistakes in all. Can you find them? Answers will be found above.