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Knitting Knacks

by Lois Madsen

THERE is one way to really get the old fashioned but never excelled Christmas spirit of giving, and that is to get busy and knit a gift for someone. You can make one of those snappy scarfs or kerchiefs. It doesn't take long and someone will appreciate the gift so much more if they know that you put personal effort and time into making it. Besides, it is loads of fun, and you'll find that you can knit while at meetings or in odd moments when talking to friends.

Angora is popular this winter and also good looking. Fuzzy mittens are good for either formal or campus wear. The soft hair on the inside as well as that on the outside is bound to keep your fingers warm. The really ambitious knitter can vary the idea and make gloves. To match the mittens or gloves, you can knit ear muffs and fit them over a plain pair.

To complete a good looking set, make a matching scarf. Knit it in one long piece and put one or two contrasting stripes at each end. Your outfit will be gay, warm, comfortable and practical. Angora washes nicely, and if brushed carefully when it is dry, it will come out looking fluffier than when it was new.

Bed socks are the answer to the prayer of the girl who sleeps in a frigid dormitory. They can be made by knitting a strip 6 inches by 12 inches and folding one corner at a 45-degree angle to form the toe. Bring the other end of the piece forward to meet the toe piece and you have the heel. Ribbing around the top guarantees no slipping.

With many winter formals on the calendar, we are prophesying a good season for angora boleros worn over formals. Already many of them have made their appearances over street dresses. White is always good, but an interesting contrast will add a chic touch to the formal that you had planned to discard.

A knitted collar and cuff set is a welcomed accessory gift. There is a trick to making a collar lie flat. When it is half knitted, add one stitch after every fifth one across a row. Block it flat when it is finished. Shape can be given to the cuffs by tacking them to a firm foundation of crinoline. Embroidered flowers and border designs make interesting variations.

Many lovely things can be done with yarn that is left over from other sweaters. Make a gay ascot scarf of hit-and-miss stripes. Knit it so one end will look nice with deep blues and violets and in the other end, brown, rust and tan can predominate. It can be tied to resemble two different scarfs.

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