



Abbreviations:

Ch Chain

CTM Continuous Ihread

Melhod

Double stitch

J Join

P Picot (in this design, pi-

cals are small, for

joining only)

R Ring

Rw Reverse work T&c Tie and cul

R&C Ring made of 5d (double stitch), p (picol), 10. p. 5d, cl & Ch 12d.

This is a design worked by Mary for Mary, so it. very definitely, simply, just has to be

Mary's Pumpkin

Pumpkins are round and smooth, so this tatted pumpkin has very few picots. other than for joining. By working one bridging chain and one split ring, it can be worked from stort to finish in one poss.

Unless there are two balls of orange thread available, wind one extra bobbin wilh orange thread before beginning. The stem will require about one and a half yards of green to be substituted for the chain thread when needed. Start with one shuttle and boll thread wound continuous thread method.

This pumpkin is worked in five parts, a center, inner curve, outer curve, outer curve reversed, inner curve reversed.

The number of r&c can be varied in the center or on any curve when making more than one pumpkin. The only rule is to remember to increase or decrease the same amount for each curve on a side. The r&c do not even have to be lhe same on both sides. Nature produces many lopsided pumpkins, why can't the talter?

Now to start the pumpkin:

CENTER

R&C, x8. Total of 9 rings. 9th Ch: (4d, p), x2, (2 d, p), x2, 4d, p, 4d. Rw

R&C, x8. Repeal 9th chain. J at basse of first r, t & c. Do this only if not doing the bridging chain.