



### VIRGINIA STAR

THIS is a really wonderful block, even without the corner appliques or decorative "set" as quilt makers used to call the blocks or strips with which pieced blocks are put together.

The Virginia Star is pieced first by making a large diamond of nine small diamonds, sewed together with edges placed as in sketch B. One of each size background triangle is then added as shown to make a right angle triangle which is half of the square which forms a quarter of the entire block. This is shown by the extended dotted lines of the block. Appliques which are cut from the same unit diamond without adding seams may be added as sketched.

Seams should be added to all other parts and the block will then finish 16 inches square. Lattice strips should finish 1 1/2 inches wide or the strip of three 4 1/2 inches. This makes the small corner stars right to cut from the same unit diamond pattern.

If you set your blocks together diagonally with 4 1/2-inch strips you will have a quilt 3 blocks long and 3 wide finishing about 84 by 84 inches. This will take 13 whole pieced blocks, 8 half blocks and 36 strips each 16 inches long.

Material Estimate: Background white 5 yards, medium 2 yards, (applique material not included) dark 3 yards, and light 1 1/4 yards, a total of 11 1/4 yards for the complete quilt.