



Katie Kord
Says...

COLORFUL DISHES TO GO WITH YOUR CHRISTMAS TURKEY
Good eating is an important part

of Christmas Day celebration every where.
Here it's turkey, with your family's favorite stuffing, that heads the long list of delectable dishes for your big Christmas dinner. With these, you'll combine dishes that are both colorful and a delight to the taste—something like sweet potato-New Orleans, deviled Brussel sprouts, and cranberry relish. Sound good?
Here are the recipes for these three colorful dishes. And don't forget to capitalize on the conveniences that come with your home appliances when preparing them for a merrier Christmas for yourself.
To make sweet potato New Orleans, ingredients are 4 cooked sweet potatoes; 1/2 lemon; 1/2 orange; 1 cup crushed pineapple;

PEACHTREE NEWS

OMITTED LAST WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. Poly Derberry of Andrews spent Saturday night with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barker.
Mrs. Dillard Griffith spent Sunday with Mrs. Marshall Clonts.
Mrs. Laura Barker spent one night the past week with Mrs. C. W. Thomasson.
Bill Leatherwood is improving after being sick for a few weeks at his home. His many friends will be glad to learn.
Hill Thomasson visited Lawson Lunsford awhile Wednesday night. Mr. Lunsford has been sick for some time.
Mr. Wesley Thomasson and two sons Johnny and Dany and daughter Joan and two of her friends all of Kings Mountain spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thomasson.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barker visited relatives of this place Thanksgiving Day.
Mrs. Willie Lunsford visited her sister, Mrs. Math Leatherwood, Wednesday.

There is no limit in the number of "Allotment" acres. Tar Heel Farmers can put under the 1958 reserve at the present time.

1/2 teaspoon salt; 1 cup pineapple or other fruit juice; 1/2 cup sugar; 2 tablespoons butter.

Slice cooked sweet potatoes into quarter-inch slices crosswise. Soak lemon and orange in hot water a few minutes. Remove and cut. Peel and slice crosswise.

Place potatoes and fruit in alternate layers in buttered baking dish. Season.

In saucepan combine fruit juice, sugar and butter. Cook on high heat on surface unit until medium thick. Pour over sweet potatoes and fruit. Bake in 350-375 degree oven thirty to forty-five minutes. Yield, four to six servings.

For the deviled Brussel sprouts, you'll need 1 quart Brussel sprouts; 1/2 cup water; 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 cup butter; 2 teaspoons mustard; 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/8 teaspoon cayenne.

Wash and clean Brussel sprouts. Place with water and 1 teaspoon salt in saucepan with tight fitting cover. Cook on high heat ten minutes. Turn unit off and continue cooking on heat stored in unit twenty to twenty-five minutes, without lifting cover.

Serve with sauce made by melting butter in saucepan on low heat. Add mustard, Worcestershire sauce, salt, cayenne. When hot, pour over Brussel sprouts.

Ingredients for cranberry relish are 1 orange, pulp; 1/2 lemon, pulp; 1 cup raw cranberries; 2 red apples; 1 cup sugar.

Soak orange and lemon in hot water for a few minutes, then peel with spoon. Grind fruit pulp and cranberries through coarse grinder, retaining juice.

Cut unpeeled apples into cubes. Mix fruit and juices with sugar. Place in covered dish and store in refrigerator overnight. Yield, three cups relish.

Local Postmaster Makes Plea For Early Mailing

"Early mailing of all Christmas cards and gifts is the biggest single factor in getting all mail delivered before Christmas", Murphy postmaster Joe Ray stated.
Post Office facilities have been expanded, extra help will be available, and everything is geared up to handle a record Christmas mail in Murphy this year, he added.
Ray urged postal patrons to take special care in preparing gift packages for the mails, and to make sure all addresses are legible and complete.

"If you have any articles of unusual size or bulk, better check with the Post Office before attempting to mail them", the postmaster cautioned. "The limits on size and weight of packages vary, depending on where you mail your package."

Ray also offered this advice for Christmas mailing:

"When wrapping gifts for mailing, it is always better to use corrugated cartons, especially where there are a number of various sized objects in the shipment. Use plenty of wadded tissue or newspaper for extra protection against shock, and securely wrap each package or carton in heavy paper, and then tie it with strong cord. Be sure to include an extra label with your return address and the recipients address inside the carton or package before it is wrapped."

"Another good idea is to place a piece of transparent cellophane tape over the address portion of the label on your package to prevent defacing in transit, and always make sure to include the recipient's full name, street address, city, zone and state."

"The Post Office will supply Pamphlet No. 2, telling you all about packaging and wrapping parcels for mailing, and Pamphlet No. 3, giving full details on domestic postage rates and fees."

"When mailing your Christmas cards, use the free labels from the Post Office, reading "All For Local Delivery" and "All For Out Of Town Delivery". By sorting your Christmas cards and tying them in two separate bundles, with the addresses all facing one way, you're sure to speed their arrival.

"All Christmas cards should be

Soil Conservation NEWS

By
JOHN SMITH

Last week after the heavy rains, I was struck by the fact that some creeks in Cherokee County run muddy, while others run clear even after heavy rains. Bald Creek, Davis Creek, and many others get in flood but the water is clear. Brasstown and Little Brasstown creeks and many others run red with mud after any rain and never run clear even in long dry spells.

The difference is, of course, the ground cover on the watersheds of these creeks. Bald Creek and Davis Creek run through watersheds which have almost 100% forest cover. Brasstown and Little Brasstown Creeks run through watersheds which have a large percentage of clear land. The amount of cultivated land has the largest effect on the muddiness of the water, with the amount of pasture running a close second.

It is possible to have large amounts of cleared land and still have clear streams, but a good program of soil and water conservation is necessary if this is to be done. If all the pasture in this county was good, improved pasture, and all the cultivated land was contoured and strip-cropped, with good winter cover planted after row crops, there would be much less farm land ending up in Cherokee Lake or Hiwassee Lake.

Much of the land which is cultivated in Cherokee County should be planted to improved pasture. Much of the pasture should either be improved or re-planted to pine trees. Many of the so-called pastures offer little grazing and practically no ground cover for soil

sent by first class mail, and be sure to put your return address on your Christmas card envelopes. This is not only socially correct, but will enable both you and your friends to keep your mailing lists up-to-date.

"Christmas cards and packages for out-of-town destinations should be mailed well before December 10, and your Christmas mail for local delivery should be sent at least a week before Christmas".

protection.
Dozens and dozens of farmers in all sections of the county have learned through experience that one acre of improved pasture properly maintained, is worth ten acres of wild un-improved pasture. Cultivated fields can be run in row crops for years if properly contoured and if green manure or cover crops are planted and turned into the soil after each row crop. The practice of running the same field in row crops year after year is not highly recommended, but sometimes, due to lack of cultivatable land, this may become necessary on some farms. Claude Patterson of Bearpaw says, "I planted corn in one field for twenty three years and improved the land each year by turning under green manure and the litter from my chick-

en houses." Wayne Abernathy and many other farmers have had similar experiences.
The important thing is the organic matter turned back into the soil. Organic matter protects the land from washing, and greatly increases the Water-holding capacity of the soil. A soil high in organic matter catches rain water as it falls and gives it time to soak into the ground instead of running off over the top of the ground carrying the top soil with it. This water then becomes available for plants to use later. A soil without organic matter allows the rain fall to run off over the top of the ground, ending up in the streams and producing flood. When the crops or grass need it in a dry period, the rain water is not available.

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