

**To Get and Give Most Pleasure at Christmas**

THREE is Christmas generosity and Christmas charity. But there should always be Christmas tact.

When you are giving to those who have not as much as you have do not give your presents with condescending manner or with a patronizing air.

Do not act as though you were superior because you could give. Do not attach a cold, haughty speech to your gift.

Sometimes people can give so that all the glow that comes from the gift is the one they themselves receive because of their own feeling of having been charitable. Sometimes such a speech can extract all the real pleasure out of the gift to the one receiving it.

Christmas is the time for true charity, for that charity which comes from the heart, which loves one's fellow men and wants to do all that is possible to bring joy wherever possible.

Give as though it were a pleasure to give—not as though you were being noble.

Do not give as though you thought by giving you had the right to assume a certain attitude of disdain toward those who were somewhat beholden to you.

If you are more fortunate in worldly goods it is your opportunity to have the great pleasure that is derived by giving. There are few greater pleasures when you give with the real Christmas spirit.

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an ancient festival annually held among the northern nations to celebrate the return of the sun after the winter solstice (December 21). The Yule log is thought to bring good fortune, and frequently part of it is saved to light the new one in the following year. The Italians regard the charred Yule log as a preventive against lightning. "Yule" is an old word for Christmas, and is still so used provincially.

**Chocolate Caramels**

Use one pound of brown sugar, one-fourth pound unsweetened chocolate, shaved, and one-half cupful of water. Boil same as fudge and before removing from fire add a generous lump of butter and one cupful of walnut or other nut meats or they may be omitted. After it is poured into a buttered pan cut it in squares before it gets hard.

**What to Give?**

When one thinks of what to give an old friend for Christmas, the first consideration is, "Now what did I give him last year?" Perhaps that is as good a way as any to open the question of New Year's resolutions.

**Santa a Curiosity**

Jud Timkins says he wishes there were a Santa Claus, because it would be such a relief to have a stranger drive up to the house and not try to sell him something.—Washington Evening Star.

**Then and Now**

The old-fashioned boy who used to get an apple, an orange, a handful of mixed nuts, a dime's worth of powder and shot or a new pair of home-knit socks for Christmas now has a grand son who must have a new car, a diamond ring and a check. Times change.

**At Christmas Time**

Mr. Smiles—But why do you expect a Christmas box from me? Surely I have had no dealings with you?

Boy—Yes, sir—please, sir, you tripped over my 'loap last week.

**Origin of Carols**

Few, if any, Christmas carols were ever sung in Scotland, while from earliest times the custom has been universally prevalent in England, France, Italy and other countries of the European continent.

**NEAR EAST CONTRIBUTIONS**

The following persons have donated to the Near East relief fund since the last issue.

John F. Hardin	..... \$1.00
Mrs. J. F. Hardin	..... .50
O. L. Hardin	..... 1.00
Mrs. Goodnight	..... .50
Miss Jennie Todd	..... 1.00
Miss Eula Todd	..... 1.00
C. C. Adams	..... 1.00

Want you divide your gifts with the orphan children? Send your donations to Edw. N. Hahn, Chairman Near East Relief, Boone, N. C.

**LARGE REALTY DEAL MADE IN CALDWELL**

Lenoir, Dec. 13.—The largest single real estate deal on record in Caldwell county has just been made by L. E. Dinnette and Fred H. May. Nearly 5,000 acres are involved at a price in excess of a quarter of a million dollars. The sale was made to P. L. Wright of Hendersonville. Associated with Mr. Wright is Wesley Clarke, sales manager of the Druid Hills development, and also the owner of Lake Lanier development at Tryon.

The boundary bought here comprises about fifty farms in the Happy Valley section along route no. 17 between Lenoir and Blowing Rock. It includes many acres on Warrior mountain, chestnut Mountain and on Ripshin Ridge. The entire area is split by the Yadkin river which flows thru nearly a mile of the boundary.

**CHRISTMAS**

CHILL, the influence of encircling air, ever greens and festoons, these constitute Christmas to the senses. But deep within man there is something which the brightest of carols cannot, in itself, awaken—a sense of kinship with all the world, that expands and blossoms into a spirit of real brotherhood—and this is Christmas.—W. D. Pennypacker. (© 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

**Saved to Buy Christmas Present for Her Daddy**

THE eldest of the four children was now ten; their mother had been dead three years. How the father had kept such a young family together was a miracle even to him, but with the help of the day nursery, he had managed very well.

For the third Christmas now the widower tucked the children snugly in bed with a promise to call them in onybreak. Then he tiptoed to his own room.

Half an hour later when the house was quiet, Santa Claus entered the tiny kitchen and proceeded to fill the four little stockings hanging in a row behind the stove. Then suddenly he remembered that he had forgotten to bring a present for the father of the house. How disappointed the little ones would be to have their father overlooked like this! Why, they could think he's not been good! But it was too late now to get him anything. Nothing could be done.

Shortly after the house was quiet once again, the little girl stole into the kitchen and hung a stocking with a package in it near the others. For months she had saved her pennies so that when Christmas came she would be able to play Santa Claus to daddy. "How surprised a happy he will be," she thought, as she crept back to her room.—H. Lucius Cook. (© 1925, Western Newspaper Union.)

**Burning the Yule Log**

The burning of the Yule log at Christmas time, in parts of England and the continent, is a survival from

**HI-LAND PRESS-ING CLUB**

We take this opportunity of thanking each and every customer of ours for the business they have given us in the past. We want to assure you we appreciate it. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

W. L. COOK, Mgr.

**Children's Colds**

Are best treated externally. Check them overnight without "dosing" by rubbing Vicks over throat and chest at bedtime.

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**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Monroe Cook, deceased, late of Watauga County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of October 1926, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 10th day of October 1925.  
R. P. MILLER, Adm.

11-25-61

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**TAX NOTICE**

I will be at the following places on the dates named for the purpose of collecting taxes for 1925.

- North Fork, December 14th, Thomas' Store a. m.; Potters store p. m.
- MEAT CAMP, December 15th, Moretz store a. m.; W. H. Norris store p. m.
- BALD MOUNTAIN, December 16th, voting place.
- STONY FORK, December 17th, Cooks (Hendrix stand) a. m. Millers' p. m.
- ELK, December 18th, Triplett's Store.
- BLUE RIDGE, December 19th, Storie's Store.
- BLOWING ROCK, December 21, Holsbouser's Store.
- WATAUGA, December 21st, Collins Store a. m.; Shulls Mills P. O. P. M.
- WATAUGA, December 22nd, W. W. Mast's Store.
- SHAWNEEHAW, December 23rd, E. M. Preanell's Store.
- LAUREL CREEK, December 26th, J. B. Hick's Store a. m.
- LAUREL CREEK, December 26th, John Ward's p. m.
- LAUREL CREEK, December 28th, Clyde Mast's Store a. m.
- COVE CREEK, December 28th, Sherwood's Store p. m.
- BEAVER DAM, December 29th, Hagaman's Store, a. m.
- BEAVER DAM, December 29th, Sherwood's Store, p. m.
- COVE CREEK, December 30th, Zionville, J. C. Jones' Store, a. m.
- COVE CREEK, December 30th, Silverstone store, p. m.
- BOONE, Court House on First Mondays.
- BOONE, McNeal's Store, December 31st, a. m.
- BOONE, Vilas, Garage, December 31, p. m.

Tax payers are kindly urged to meet us on this round and pay their taxes.


L. M. FARTHING, Sheriff.

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Allow us to bid you God-speed in all your laudable undertakings.

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