

CHRISTMAS CANDIES
ADD FESTIVE NOTE

Nothing adds more to the festive spirit of Christmas than a wide assortment of home-made candies, says Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent. There should be several pounds of gilded mints, chocolate and caramel fudge, nut and fruit bonbons, and cherry caramels. By following the simple rule of candy making and having faith in your own art rather than believing that luck plays a large part, a variety of candies can be made at home, Miss Current pointed out. Not only will the home-made product be beautiful to look at but satisfying as well. When a recipe calls for cooking to the "soft ball" stage or the "hard ball" stage, it means just that, she went on. This test is made by dropping a small amount of boiling syrup in a half cup of cold water. Then by feeling, one can judge whether the candy has reached the "soft ball" or "hard ball" or the stiffer stages called for in the recipe. Miss Current declared that one of the most common mistakes made is that of heating candies as they are removed from the fire. This makes a grainy, sugary, inferior candy. Fudge should be cooked to the "soft ball" stage, removed from the

Wedding Ring Rides
on Three Good Nags

Cleveland, O.—Dick Bergman, pawnbroker, said he felt a tinge of sorrow when an aged man and woman walked into his shop and asked to borrow \$6 on a 40-year-old wedding ring. "Why do you need the money?" he asked. "We want to play two, two and two on three dandy horses," the elderly lady explained.

fire, and allowed to cool until lukewarm. Then it should be beat until the whole mixture has crystallized. With an ample supply of candies on hand, there will be something to satisfy the sweet tooth of the hungry crowd of young people when they come in from a theatre party or to those guests who drop in.

CHRISTMAS SALE

The Home Demonstration Club women will hold a sale similar to the one they held on Thanksgiving in the building next to the Boone Drug Company, formerly occupied by the A. & P. Store, on Thursday, December 23, from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.

The United States consumes an estimated total of 30,000,000 tons of scrap iron annually.

Christmas Poinsettias
Popular Holiday Plant

THE brilliant street lights of a large city were flickering into the cozy front apartment of the Malory sisters. They were sitting alone on Christmas eve enjoying their snow white tree gleaming under its burden of blue electric bulbs in true modern fashion. "Oh, dear," sighed Lois, "doesn't Christmas always remind you of poinsettias?" "Sure does," replied her sister, wistfully. "How could we ever forget them? Remember how mother used to send us out in the sleigh to deliver these scarlet beauties to our friends, every Christmas? Those were the good old days!" "Wasn't it fun, though? I can just see the dear old home simply loaded down with the 'Christmas stars' as we used to call them." At this very moment several blocks down the street the telephone was ringing profusely in one of the busiest florist shops on the avenue. An order was being placed for the largest and very best poinsettia plant in stock. It was to be delivered to the Misses Lois and Mae Malory on Rugby street. Just fifteen minutes later the door bell at this residence rang and a messenger delivered the gift beautifully wrapped and tied in Christmas colors. "Oh, Lois, come quick!" shouted Mae. "A gift from the home town. What can it be?" "Why, it's a pot of poinsettias—one mass of crimson stars! Who could have sent it?" When they discovered the card, it was more puzzling than ever, for the only inscription upon it was, "Poinsettias For Christmas."—Alice B. Palmer.

Fireside Philosophy

By C. M. Dickson
In the strict sense of the term, for a girl to be "modern," she must smoke, drink, play bridge and wear shorts. Nudists should be given credit for one thing—for not taking off more clothing than the law will permit. High-heeled shoes may have one virtue after all—if the wearer is inclined to fall, she is not so liable to fall backward as she is to fall forward. Why shouldn't a grandmother be allowed to wear as much clothing while watching her granddaughter as the latter wears while playing a game? There is a slight difference between a "gassy" and a windy man—the former explodes in every direction, while the latter, like the wind, just blows in one direction. The ball, the bat, the bottle, and the banjo are among the most popular implements in this day and age of the world. If the external application of water is a panacea for the frailties of human beings as a whole, for chronic cases, the water should be above the lukewarm stage. If the Bible were composed of the "funnies," the "fashions" and the "sports," almost all people would know it—as the common saying is—from "kivver to livver." In time of trouble, or when it is stirred by "celestial fire," each branch of the church has at least one tenet in its faith upon which it dotes—for instance, one goes to water, one to mass, one to foot-washing, one falls from grace, and one waits for the millennium, and so on down the line. Surely one of them has struck the keynote. If dancing is so commendable, suppose the men and the women meet at different places to dance—this, I am sure, would be a test of its popularity and its durability. The first twenty-one mile-post in a man's life seems long but after that he passes them rapidly. A lesson too rarely learned—that true wealth does not consist of dollars and cents alone. If the Apostle Paul had reference to laying aside the "weight" of the clothing while playing games in ancient Greece, he must have meant that this weight should be taken from the width and not from the length of the clothes. Paraphrasing—if one first uses "common" sense, the other senses will usually take care of themselves.

SCOUT NEWS

Boone Boy Scout Troop No. 41 will hold a special meeting Wednesday evening in the Junior Order Hall over the postoffice. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p. m. Every scout is urged to be present in uniform, and bring a 10-cent gift. We have arranged an unusual program for this week. Scout Robert King, Jr., the only

boy to ever receive the Eagle badge from our troop, will be present and demonstrate fire building by flint and steel. We will also have our annual bird house contest. A watch is offered to the Scout that wins. Every Scout is supposed to enter a bird house, built by himself. After refreshments are served, we will deliver baskets to the needy families of the community. "Be prepared."

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Sweethearts' Reunion
Under Mistletoe Twig

BETTY JANE dressed carefully, wondering if college had changed Bill much. It was grand having him home for the holidays. The doorbell rang. "Christmas gift," cried Bill, handing her a gayly wrapped package, and taking her in his arms. Betty Jane drew back. She wasn't sure she liked this Bill so well—he seemed so sure of himself. She remembered Bill as humble, wooing for her favors. "Come, say hello to the folks," Betty Jane invited, "and see the tree and smelt turkey." They went, hand in hand. "I suppose you've met a lot of girls at college," she hazarded. "Tell me about them." "Well, there's just one I'm really crazy about," Bill answered. "All the fellows think she's swell. Her picture's on my dresser, and whenever I'm in doubt, I talk things over with her." "How grand," said Betty Jane in a tight little voice. They came to the mistletoe. How different from last year, when she was just learning to love him! "I have her picture on my watch, too," Bill went on, his eyes twinkling brighter than the silver star atop the tree. "You used to carry mine there," Betty Jane observed, and managed somehow to laugh lightly. "And still do," said Bill, exhibiting it. "All the fellows are jealous of the girl I left behind me. There isn't a girl in all the world, let alone college, like you, Betty Jane. And by the way, don't you know that a pretty girl should always stop when she comes to mistletoe?"—Helen Waterman.

IN SEASON



Santa—Stick 'em up!
Believe Animals Fall on Knees
A superstitious notion prevails in the western part of Devonshire, England, that at 12 midnight Christmas eve the oxen in the stables always fall on their knees.
Good Christmas Habit
Jud Tunkins says if you can't be merry on Christmas you can at least help others by keeping your personal annoyances to yourself.
Big Christmas Stocking
A stocking 80 feet long hung from the roof of Albert hall, in London, during a Christmas sale.

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