

Pine Swamp News

Mrs. Luther Joines is ill at the present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Holloway, Mr. and Mrs. Cary Brown, Bert Holloway, Keith Brown and Carlton Wagoner visited Mr. and Mrs. Levi Caudill in Winston-Salem, Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Caudill, Jr., and son, Billy; Misses Lou and Myrtle Evans, Maurice and Bruce Evans recently visited Mrs. Jane Cleary at Laurel Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. James Caudill and children, Jeanetta Jo, Shirley and Howard, of Galax, Va., visited his mother, Mrs. A. R. Richardson recently. Mrs. Richardson also had as her guests during last week, Homer Caudill, of Aberdeen, Md., Boyd Caudill, of Darlington, Md., also Mr. and Mrs. Ben Caudill, Jr., and son.

Come to Sparta to do your Christmas shopping.

Timely Hints

What is "torn size?" "Torn size" is the size of a sheet before hemming. The sheet will run about ten inches less than the torn size. That is why a 108-inch length is always recommended for a full-length bed. It allows for ample tuck-in and fold-over. Never buy anything shorter than a 99-inch length for a full length bed. Feet will hang out at the bottom if you do!

Sizes for twin bed (39 inch width)- sheet 72 x 108 inches; double bed (54 inches wide)- sheet, 90 x 108 inches; single bed or cot-sheet 63 x 108 inches.

When buying pillow cases, a good general rule is to buy a case that is two inches wider than the measurement around the pillow, and long enough to fall a few inches below the end of the pillow.

The built-in sweetness of fall pears and apples can be an aid to homemakers in stretching the

Christmas Quiz

1 A festival was celebrated at this time of the year long before it became the symbol of the Nativity.

2 The first English Christmas celebration of which there is record was held by: (a) Queen Elizabeth (b) King Arthur (c) King Charles (d) Henry V

3 Santa Claus' descent through the chimney symbolized "sweeping the chimney clean," which, to the English, meant (a) Good luck (b) A happy holiday season (c) Favorable year ahead (d) Short winter.

4 Dutch emigrants brought the custom of the Christmas tree to America.

5 Alms giving at Christmas time originated in the belief that--(a) it is better to give than to receive (b) One should follow Christ's example in giving to the poor (c) Christ sometimes came to the door disguised as a beggar at this season and it was feared that he might be turned away unrecognized.

6 The southern states use firecrackers at Christmas time. This is because those states were settled mostly by Spanish and French emigrants, who introduced the custom as originated in their countries.

7 The abbreviated word for Christmas is Xmas. This brief form was adopted because: (a) it was easy to remember (b) X is the initial letter of the Greek name for Christ (c) X represents the unknown (d) it is a slang expression originated by modern generations.

8 One of the first and most popular decorations for the home was the holly, which was supposed to represent: (a) Gaiety (b) Colors of Christmas (c) Friendship (d) Holly was the crown of thorns, the berries, drops of blood.

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Ukrainians Hold To Many Old Customs

Ukrainian churches, both Greek Orthodox and Uniate, cling to the ancient Julian calendar, so their Christmas Day comes 12 days later than ours, or on January 6, Christmas Eve is celebrated with much traditional ceremony and festivity.

The Holy Supper or Swiata Wecera is very elaborate, consisting of 12 courses, in memory of the 12 apostles. Fish, baked, broiled and jellyed, takes the place of meat. Borsch, or beet soup, is generally served, and stuffed cabbage, filled with millet or rice. Vareniki, some-

to lend it even greater sweetness. Sour cream dressing makes another tasty companion for pears and apples. Plain cooked dressing is also good with fruit salad. Make it of eggs, vinegar, milk, seasoning, and a little table fat, and cook it over simmering water.

For a side dish that satisfies the sweet tooth at small cost in sugar, scallop apples or pears with sweetpotatoes. Dot each layer with fat, and sprinkle with just a little sugar or brush with honey.

For glazed pears or apples, quarter the fruit and bake with a little water until partially cooked. Then spread with bright-colored jelly, and continue baking until until fruit is tender with a shiny surface.

Treatment with chemicals for weed control in tobacco plant beds should be done at least ninety days before the seeds are planted.

J. R. Thagard and son J. R., Sr., Cumberland county farmers of Fayetteville, Route 5, recently received the first 100 bushel corn club certificate that has been awarded in North Carolina.

Christmas Merchandise

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Dinnerware Beautiful dishes in colors that will set a lovely table. Service for four for only \$4.20, service for twelve for \$16.95.

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sugar budget. On the average Split a pear and fill the center these fruits are about 10 per- with Roquefort cheese thinned cent sugar. with a little cream. Dress up ap- ples with cottage or cream cheese most of natural pear and apple mixed with chopped chives. For sweetness is to eat them out of a note of color, add nuts, carrot hand. But for variety, try them strips, or green peppers to the in salads dressed with cheese. salad—or use grapes or raisins



thing like the Italian ravioli, also is a usual course. Dessert consists of special pudding called kutya, made of wheat, poppy seeds and honey.

During the Christmas Eve supper, some member of every Ukrainian family throws a handful of kutya or pudding at the ceiling. If it sticks, the coming year will be a prosperous and happy one. After supper, a plate of braided bread, called kolach, is left on the table between two lighted candles. Legend says that the spirits of the family's dead will return at midnight to eat this bread.

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Terms: Cash on day of sale.

This 24th day of November, 1947.

HOMER RECTOR, Administrator of C. L. Rector. 11-27-3tc

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Auction Sale

Saturday, November 29

10:00 O'clock A. M.

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Will Sell Rain Or Shine

1 Cow three years old (to be fresh in March.)
1 Heifer (16 months old.)
1 Mare in good condition.
3 Hay stacks also corn and fodder.
1 Harrow.
1 Cultivator (five foot.)
1 63 Turning plow.
75 Split locust posts.
1 Pair pruners.
1 Cast iron heater and cook stove.
1 Philco radio.
1 Saddle, bridle, harness and new check lines.
1 Pair of dehorners.
1 30 gallon barrel spray.

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Mrs. Travese McBride

Sparta, North Carolina

Roscoe Collins, Auctioneer

PLUM PUDDING

In the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England, the prayer for the last Sunday before Advent began with the words "Stir up." The people of Peterborough took this to be a reminder that they should start their plum pudding at that time, and everybody in the family took a hand in the stirring until it was ready on Christmas.

This indispensable old-time English Christmas dish was formerly of frumenty, which according to old time recipes was "wheat boiled until the grains burst, then strained and boiled again with broth or milk and yolks of eggs." Frumenty was the forerunner to plum pudding.

Alms Giving Custom A Christmas Charity

Giving alms at Christmas originated in the belief that the Christ came sometimes to the door disguised as a beggar during the holiday season, and it was feared that he might be turned away unrecognized. There is an old legend that tells of the Christ child going from door to door on Christmas Eve in search of those who were kind, and deserving. His test was to plead for aid and often he was turned away from the door. This story led to alms giving on Christmas Eve as it was rare that a beggar was refused.

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Sparta, N. C.

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SPARTA, N. C.

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