

# Brevard Hi News

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### JUNIOR PLAY DATE GIVEN

The annual Junior Play will be presented Friday, Dec. 10. The curtain rises promptly at 8 o'clock.  
 Appointed stage managers are: Boyd Oliver and Patsy Austin. Johnny Summey and Mary F. Gaither are the advertising managers. Josephine McGaha is in charge of properties.  
 A poster contest will be conducted and prizes awarded. All students are urged to enter and the posters will be distributed throughout the county in schools, places of business, industries, etc.  
 —By Gene Hall

### "WOMANLESS WEDDING" PRESENTED BY 8TH GRADE

The assembly program last Wednesday, which was in the form of a "womanless wedding", was presented by Miss Powell's eighth grade boys. Preceding the ceremony Mary Ann Daniels sang a solo, "I Love You Truly", accompanied by Alfred Neuman.  
 The wedding procession entered through the rear doors of the auditorium, passed down the aisle, and assembled on the stage where the very amusing ceremony took place. The minister read the marriage vows from a Sears Roebuck catalog, and the ring was a large do-nut.  
 Those taking part were: the bride, J. O. Brooks; the groom, Robert Hunter; maid-of-honor, Cullen Bryant; the best man, Jack Bryant, flower girl, Charles Johnson; minister, James Johnson; and father of the bride, Pat Holden.  
 The program closed with Miss Whitesides leading the students in the singing of several patriotic songs including the "Victory Polka" and "This is Worth Fighting For".  
 —By Dorothy Galloway

### NAME FOR ANNUAL CHOSEN

The name, "Brevardier", suggested by Jimmy Newbury, was selected by the staff as the name for the Brevard high school annual. He was rewarded with a box of Schrafft's candy. The annual is expected to be on sale the last month of school, and everyone who is buying one on the installment plan will be expected to have their first payment in by the beginning of the Thanksgiving holidays.  
 Since Gene Franklin, the circulation manager, has moved away, there have been many changes made in the staff. The entire staff, at present, is: Vivian Smith, editor-in-chief; Anna Rathje, associate editor; Bruce Glazener, business manager; Frances Hendricks, as-also.

sistant business manager; Marguerite Scruggs, circulation manager; Verena Lewis, Carolynne Sluder, and Douglas Brown, assistant circulation managers; Bob Norwood, advertising manager; Pat Griswold, literary editor; Josephine Curto, assistant literary editor; Spalding McIntosh, art editor; Mary Ann Daniels, sports editor; Jimmy Newbury, humor editor; Bill Shamblin, picture editor; and Marguerite McCann, and Jeannette McCall, typists.  
 —By Vivian Smith

### HERE AND THERE

In the classrooms, as the clocks tick off the hours, there is another sound. Not the dull drone of students at work, but a livelier busier sound, for it is the far reaching buzz of gossip. Oh gossip, how we love you! If a B. H. S. student is offered his choice between either food or gossip, he always takes the gossip. Our gossip is far juicier and tastier than any steak you can find anywhere these days, an' I ain't kiddin'!

Where did Anna R. acquire the nickname "Honey"? Her interest has suddenly changed from New Jersey to Florida. Inconsistent is not she? Next thing we know it will be the moon—well up in the air anyway!  
 A little birdie, my pet parrot to be exact, flew through 3rd floor one afternoon not so long ago and lo and behold, it heard Johnny S. ask Mary Frances Gaither for a date. Of course, you got it, Jimmy?

Vivian S. doesn't like publicity, so I will try my best to leave out that interesting tid-bit about her and that dashing right end . . . oh my, I wasn't going to tell you about that, was I?  
 Spalding, Spalding, hay, you Spalding H.! Who was the good-looking senior girl you escorted home from the pep-meeting last Wednesday nite? From the look on your face, I must be right. Don't you agree, Joyce M.?

Why does Ty M. play football so much better when "Kat" H. is on the sidelines?

Speaking of "Kat" H., it seems that she and Jason O., along with William T. and Lois Ann O., are the main characters in Saturday-nite drugstore romances. I thought the good old boys were gone forever, but apparently they aren't!  
 Verena L. is the current "football sweetheart." She worries and cries more over the wonderful heroes than the rest of the school all put together. It must be due to her motherly instincts!

I'll be back in a flash with more trash!  
 —By Sally Snoop

"Bully Beef" in tin cans, traditional soldiers' food, now is to go entirely to troops in action, according to a recent announcement by the Combined Food Board.

A ten-pound colony of bees needs 60 pounds of honey and 4 or 5 combs of pollen stored in the hive to carry it through the winter. A soldier eats six times in weight of food during the winter, manager; Frances Hendricks, as-also.

## Greeting Cards First Used in Victorian Era

The custom of sending greeting cards is perhaps the youngest member in the family of Christmas traditions, although the ideal was expressed by the Excelsis Deo of the angels.

Until authorities at the British museum recently discovered a drawing depicting four scenes of holiday celebration—early Victorian style—dated 1842, J. C. Horsley was accredited with having created the first commercial Christmas card in 1843.

The 1842 creation was an elaborate affair. Drawn by W. M. Edgley, it includes scenes of a dinner party—featuring the plum pudding, a group of carol singers, a crowd watching a Punch and Judy show, a panel of silk-hatted and cane-toting ice skaters, dancers doing a Roger de Coverly—the Victorian Conga—and evidence that the poor must not be forgotten.

It is impossible to say whether or not Mr. Horsley was aware of Edgley's masterpiece, but Horsley had a friend, and thereby hangs the tale. Sir Henry Cole, a man with many friends, was confronted by the task of sending them a cheery holiday greeting. The quill pens in use a century ago sputtered and were irritating, so Sir Henry spoke to Horsley about the matter. Horsley, a member of the Royal Academy in London, was agreeably impressed and turned out an appropriate design inscribed simply, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

Edgley and Horsley made beginnings. According to research authorities the custom was taken up in America about 30 years later during the 1870s when Louis Prang, a Boston lithographer, printed a catalogue of Christmas cards.

No matter whether the greeting is the elaborate descendant of Edgley's drawing, or a simple good wish offered in friendship as worked out by Sir Henry and Horsley, or the glorious echo of the angels' enunciation, send that Christmas card to the boy in the service—and to his loved ones keeping faith at home.

### Woman's World



This is no place for a man—take Bobby's word for it. But Sis doesn't care. She knows exactly what she wants for Christmas. In fact, she already has her hands on it. And that smile on her face comes as close as anything could to denoting complete satisfaction with conditions in general.

### Hearty Eating Cheered English at Christmastide

In old England they had many dishes which we seldom hear of now. There was "frumenty," a dish made of wheat which is still sometimes served in Yorkshire, ale posset, Shropshire "wigs," and caraway buns dipped in ale. Yule doughs or "dows" were eaten everywhere, and in Coventry they made their famous Godcake. Tansy, too, was a favorite dish. This was made with eggs and cream, flavored with the juice of tansy, an extremely bitter, aromatic herb. In addition there was Christmas brawn, "connynges" in gravy, and a host of dishes that have since died out.

Christmas was never a national festival in Scotland, but at this period of the year new "sowens" were always eaten. These were made from the husks and siftings of oatmeal mixed with molasses, and to all accounts were delicious.

### Mince Pies for Luck—That's British Tradition

One of England's gay Christmas traditions centers around its delectable mince pies. It seems that each mince pie eaten between Christmas Eve and Twelfth Night will ensure a whole month of good luck in the coming year.

That works out to just about a pie a day for 12 days, to cover the calendar year—a stunt that would seem more likely to cause chronic dyspepsia than good fortune. But these aren't the pies we Americans are accustomed to—the English mince pie is about the size of a doughnut. To eat a dozen in as many days is no trick at all, when two or three of them can be gobbled with a cup of tea.

## OLD CLOTHING

(From Front Page—Second Sec.)

club are boosting the campaign in Brevard and home demonstration clubs are promoting it in the county.

Elsewhere in this issue, the Whiteway Dry Cleaners are making an urgent appeal to the public on behalf of the government.

"As cold weather approaches, millions of people in conquered Europe, China and Africa are without adequate clothing and many of them will freeze to death," Mr. Wyatt stated.

"You can help prevent many deaths from cold by going through your closets and getting out your old discarded clothing and contributing them through this drive.

"Shipments will be made by the government and this program will also help in the promotion of our peace plans.

"The drive is short. You only have 10 days in which to co-operate. Don't delay. Do your part today and you will enjoy both Thanksgiving and Christmas a great deal more."

Everything is wanted except

## Let Christmas Renew Hope for the Future

Open your hearts and minds to the spirit and sincerity of Christmas Greetings, both between intimates and our outside friends. Forget present difficulties and live again the Christmas of innocent and better days. Let it renew hope for the future, with a resolve that the best impulses of our nature shall assist the character building of the real lesson of the Christmas season.

**Wandering Souls Entertained**  
 It is still customary in Ireland to burn candles in the windows and set cups and saucers on the tables for the entertainment of wandering souls from Purgatory, who are believed to enjoy coming home for Christmas.

hats, caps, shoes, gloves, garters, rubbers, overshoes, collars, suspenders, belts, spats, leather leggings, rubber coats, brassiers, slippers, etc.

Ministers, teachers, and all civic organizations are urged to co-operate in boosting this drive.

Color blindness is found predominantly among males.

## Timely Hints For Farm Homemakers

**BY RUTH CURRENT**  
 If not for this year, then for next, line a stone crock with grape leaves, fill it up with little green tomatoes and dill. Use the same strength brine as you would for cucumbers. The finished product resembles small green olives.

Use a transparent ruler for making hems or measuring buttonholes, it will make the sewing job much easier.

If your scissors develop a catch when you're cutting, borrow an old-time trick from the tailors, open them wide and draw them over your hair in the back, turn them over and do the same with the other side. This oils the blades just the least bit, enough to make them work smoothly.

Store all table fats in covered dishes in the refrigerator. Place them on the shelf next to the freezer compartment. Keep them away from foods with strong flavors and odors.

Return them to the refrigerator immediately after using, and do

not leave cooking fats standing on the stove.

Save pork, beef, and ham fats for cooking eggs, seasoning vegetables, and for baking beans and peas. Store them, covered in the refrigerator.

To save chicken fat, strain it and pour it into a bowl, and allow to congeal. Remove the congealed portion and store, covered, in the refrigerator.

Some of the old cattle drives from Texas to the northern plains involved 8000 cattle and took four or five months.

It is estimated that nearly 9,000,000 eggs will become inedible in North Carolina this year because of improper production, handling and storing, — enough eggs for 24,660 soldiers for a year.

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We, whose job is producing goods and services, have been making resolutions like this for years. And we've been keeping them! For in our kind of business, you either keep on finding better ways of doing things, or—you go backward! And if enough people do that, the thing we call progress bogs down.

That's why farmers keep on trying new seed, and fertilizers, and machines, and strains of stock. That's the reason industry carries on research—another name for a constant search for new knowledge and better ways to do things. Because most of us have been doing this for years, America has had the highest standard of living in the world. And it's the reason, too, that American production is doing so much today to bring victory.

After the war, America is going to need more than ever men with the courage and enterprise to invest time, money, and hard work in the search for better things. And if America's producers understand each other, and each other's problems, we'll be able to do these all-important jobs better. General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

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