

WOMEN'S NEWS

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Women's Editor

From Here and There

BY BRENDA STOCKS
From now through January 1 you will have friends dropping in for a short visit. If you're looking for a quick and easy holiday cookie to serve them Mrs. Dale Wright, HD Club member from the home-makers club, has the recipe you're looking for. She had good luck with a batch she made recently for a Christmas

WREATH COOKIES
1/2 stick butter
32 large marshmallows
5 c. rice crispies
few drops green cake coloring
Melt butter and marshmallows in a pan, add cake coloring, mixing thoroughly. Add rice crispies, then shape in wreath form. Decorate in imaginative way.

Everyone seems to enjoy reading the classified ad section of any newspaper or magazine. I found two interesting ads in the wanted column of the North Carolina Agriculture Review. They read as follows:

Wanted: A few long handle dipper gourds. Will pay cash or exchange Martin gourds. (Clay County)

For Sale or Trade: White feed sacks. Will trade for turkeys or anything that could be used for Christmas gifts. (Catawba County)

You'll have to admit that the classified section carries many interesting items.

Christmas time is a happy time for most people. All types of people join in celebrating the birthday of Christ. More than any other time of the year, Christmas is a season people wish goodwill for their fellowman.

Even though it is a happy time with everyone exchanging gifts and greetings, let us not forget the real meaning of Christmas.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each of you!



Shown above is Mrs. Davis Bruton seated on an antique sofa. The entire Bruton home is furnished in antiques collected from various sources and each one possesses an interesting background. Recently, Mr. Bruton and her husband help open house. And, according to the general consensus, the decorations were "fabulous!" (Photo by Wicker)

Brutons Combine Imagination And Hard Work — And Produce A Unique Setting Of Beauty

By LEWIS SIKES
At the White House these days there is much going on in the way of a culture re-development program for the United States. An eminent French decorator has just made the Green Room char-trouse, the Red Room cerise, and the Blue Room indigo. Jacqueline Kennedy has concurred in these changes, as she will with several others proposed by the Fine Arts Commission, but Washington gossip has it that the President is opposed "with vigor" to making the Oval Room rectangular. No such problem exists with Marty and Davis Bruton. Undoubtedly their ideas "class" head-on at times, but the results show an unexcelled unity of creative expressions.

Witness the preparations made for the Christmas party given for one hundred and twenty-five school personnel during the holiday season. House and Garden requires six months to assemble the ideas presented in its Christmas issue. Marty and Davis spent only two weeks in transforming their house into the Christmas fairyland it is today. And bear in mind that both of them work full time.

A visit to the Bruton home is at anytime comparable to a visit to Old Charleston homes, the homes of the Eastern Shore, and those of the grander parts of Beeson Hill. Now this normally pleasurable experience is intensified by the magic of Christmas. Guests approach the house on a walkway lighted by five foot torches. At the door, a liveried porter ushers them in with a cherry

"Merry Christmas." Here Marty and Davis take over with true Southern cordiality.

Where to look first—will the eye light on the stained glass chandelier festooned with greenery or will it travel up the red ribbon wrapped banister? Will it see first the flickering candles in their raspberry red cups in the morning room at the end of the hall? Or, on entering the music room, will the eyes be more dazzled by the twelve foot living tree, a kaleidoscope of baubles, bangles, and beads? With all this glitter around, don't forget to look at the bejeweled Beethoven, benignly surveying the seasonal cheer from his lofty pedestal beside the Steinway.

In the next room, the library, there is the second tree. Flashing multicolored lights and spiraled designed balls make of it symmetrical perfection. Napping alongside in her wicker bed is the family cat, contented, well-fed, and completely unaware of the natural touch she adds to the scene. Overhead is the masterpiece. From what the Brutons describe as a "plain, ugly light fixture" they have fashioned a beautiful Della Robbia styled chandelier. Combining fruits, nuts, berries, and branches they have successfully created the thing so hard to achieve—a Christmas decoration a la mode for the entire year.

The morning room is dominated by a hundred-year old square grand piano of elaborately carved rosewood. Topping this, and other antique pieces, are Christmas scenes specially devised for their settings. The room further boasts a flocked white tree decorated with a bushel of beads from a theatrical supply house in New York City. Marty fully intends to use them on a dress someday.

Silver and gold gleam in the dining room. Cascades of giant gold tinsel drape from the ceiling to the four corners of

the dining room table framing a silver punch bowl. On the mantel is a silver tree with gold bows. The enormous sideboard's sterling and gilt complete the theme of the room. From here it is one step into the soft pink of the adjoining bedroom where a crystal chandelier from the Governor McLean mansion in Lumberton twinkles on an early 18th century bed.

These are just a few of the marvels of the Bruton home as seen through the delightful spectrum of Christmas. Words inadequately describe the play of light of a hundred candles on mellowed wood, the banks of sweet smelling greenery, and the decorative bits in each corner of the house. All is the work of these two artists who so graciously share their time and talent for the enjoyment of everyone. The real art in art is to make it look easy. In this respect also, the Brutons excel. Witness Marty's observation to one guest—"I hope no one sneezes, for thumb tacks and Scotch tape will fly everywhere."

FB Garden Club Makes Wreaths

The Magnolia Garden Club of Fair Bluff held its regular monthly meeting last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Sam Scott, Jr.

The program was a workshop to prepare Christmas wreaths for the doors of the Fair Bluff Baptist and Methodist Churches.

During the business session it was decided to purchase an American Holly tree to be placed on the right side of the approach to the Lumber River bridge as a memorial to the late Amanda Coleman Eure, a beloved member of the club who passed away recently.

The tree will be similar to the one placed on the left side of the approach several years ago by the club as a memorial to the late M. S. Turner.

Later, appropriate plaques will be placed on both trees.

FB Methodist Men Dine On Duck

The Fair Bluff Methodist Men's Club held their annual Duck Supper, last Wednesday evening, Dec. 19 in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Hosts for the occasion were the Rev. Neil Thompson, Bob Waddell, and Jim Rabon. They were assisted in the kitchen by their wives.

A check was presented to the Rev. Neil Thompson, pastor, as "a Merry Christmas gift from the club."

The Rev. Fred Davis and B. T. Bordeaux of Elizabethtown were guests of the Club.

L. B. Graham

L. B. Graham, 420 48, died Sunday, December 16 at his home on route 1, Loris, S. C. Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 19 in the Dogwood Baptist Church at 2 p. m. Officiating were Rev. Clyde Prince and Rev. Dayton Fowler.

Survivors are one son, Mr. Arthur (Buddy) Graham and one daughter, Sandra Graham, both of Wilmington; a step son, Sammie Spivey and a step daughter, Patricia Spivey, both of Wilmington; his mother, Mrs. M. D. Graham of Loris; three sisters, Mrs. Junior Soles, Rt. 1, Tabor City; Mrs. Mildred Mishoe, Loris, Rt. 4; Mrs. Jessie Sarvis, Niagra Falls, N. Y.; two brothers, Lacy (Shorty) and J. P. Graham, both of Rt. 1, Loris.

Fair Bluff Rotary Holds Ladies' Night

The Fair Bluff Rotary Club held its annual Ladies' Night

Christmas dinner party at the school cafeteria last Monday evening.

The Rotarians were 100 per cent in attendance.

In addition to their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Carwell Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powell of Fair Bluff; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Camping and Dr. and Mrs. Roscoe MacMillan of Red Springs were guests of the club.

Local Club Makes Church Wreaths

All Tabor City Churches will have wreaths on their door this holiday season due to the efforts of the Tabor City Garden Club members.

A wreath workshop was held in the basement of the Baptist Church December 12.

Garden Club Has Christmas Party

On Wednesday night, December 19 members of the Tabor City Garden Club and their husbands held their annual Christmas party at the Fine Lakes Country Club, Myrtle Beach, S. C.

There were 35 present.

George Bonnie Cribbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bonnie Cribbs has accepted a position with the Bell Telephone Co. in Greensboro. He reported for duties Monday.



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Here's hoping that you and your loved ones will know every joy at this Yuletide season.

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