DISTAFF DEEDS

By JANICE CHRISTENSEN hands of Mrs. Ruffin Johnson of Smithfield.

tobacco oil Eurners, are being The Johnston county home-turned into treasures at the maker found some discarded to-tive Christmas decoration.

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bacco burners on a trash pile, took them home, sprayed them black and added her artistic

touch to them She hand painted various designs on the side of one burner and added a large candle and

She accessorized the other burners with artificial fruit, vegetables and live plants so they can be used year round.

"Making obsolete items into a thing of beauty is Mrs. Johnsons' wa; of recycling materials," adds Mrs. Josephine Cawthorne, associate home economes exten sion agent.

JUNQUE TABLE It takes talent to turn junk into beauty, but the Wayne County Extension Homemakers organization did just that.

In response to a request from the Wayne Beautification coordinating council to help finance rose rushes on the new 70 fm. pass, the group thought of ways to earn enough money so each of the 25 clubs could donate two ose bushes.

The Council added "junque"

table to their up-coming bazaar to "recycle" a no-longer needed items, explains Evelyn Raper, home economics extension agent. Business was brisk and it the end of the day the club witnen had the money for the feautication project and a little more.
"It was the most fun table at the bazaar," commented Mrs. Alendon Gurley, "It was certainly an easy, yet effective way to raise a little money at no over-head."

HORSE TO COW

Can a horse turn into a cow? For a Johnston county family, the David Stadlers, Zebulon, Rt. 1, the enswer is "yes."

The Stad'ers planned to give The Staders planned to give their daughters a horse for Christmas," explains Mery Kay Cox, assistant home economics extension agent. "But due to ris-ing food prices, the family deide I to buy a milk cow instead." The Stadlers love milk so they an ole fashioned milk cow would be a good pet and a good way to economize.

Feast Of Lights In Merrie England

Over 1,400 years ago, the Council of Tours decreed tha the celeoration of Christmas should coninue on for 12 days through Epihany, which falls on January 6th. This day, also know as The Feast of Lights," is still ob

erved by many churches. It became customary, through the centuries, for the reigning King of England to open Twelfth Night revels by throwing dice. In the 17th century, Charles II played for high stakes, winning 150 pounds one year and losing 100 pounds the next, both tre-mendous sums for that period. Festivities included choosing a

King and Queen of the feast. Slices of a plum cake containing a pea were served and the man who got the bean and the women who got the pea were women who got the pea ware crowned King and Queen. With toasts to the royal pair, the par-ty got into full swing. Revelow wound up with final kisses under the mistletoe. Before sunrise, all the Christmas greens had to taken down because of the pre-vailing superstition that a gob-lin would appear for each leaf that was not removed in time.

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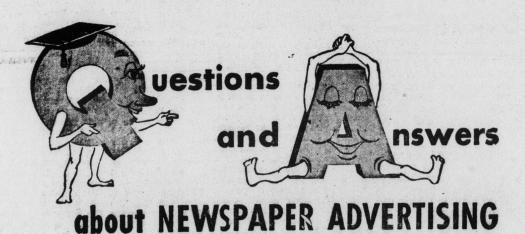
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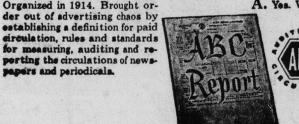
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