



ACCOMPANIMENT FOR HOLIDAY HAM - Choose Curried Rice as a dress-up accompaniment for a holiday ham with raisin sauce. The curried rice recipe, from the Uncle Ben's test kitchens, is a simple but delicious way to give holiday flavor to a family favorite ham and rice combination.

Parent Can Avoid Frustration Of Seeing Yule Toys Deserted

A parent can avoid the frustration of seeing his child's Christmas toys deserted in the corner by New Year's eve while the child clings to a ragged, but cherished doll or truck. The sophisticated battery-operated mechanism which climbs, walks, flashes, talks and whistles is not necessarily the answer to capturing the child's heart. According to a research study conducted by the National Easter Seal Society, simply pressing a button and watching a toy perform will not hold a child's interest for long. A toy with more enduring appeal is one in which the child actively participates in the toy's function.

Many of the inexpensive standards of the toy industry remain tops in the area of child appeal. In addition, many of these same toys are an effective means of developing motor skills in both handicapped and non-handicapped children.

Popular among the pre-school and early school set is the take-apart and put-together toy. This group includes the linker toy,

cones and pyramids, jigsaws and a wide variety of multi-colored soft plastic sets which allow the child to construct various objects according to whim. This type of toy is used by Easter Seal therapists in training handicapped children to reach, grasp and release objects and in developing hand opening and closing abilities. This is a preliminary step in teaching the child to feed and dress himself.

Time should be taken to examine the size of parts and the child's capability in manipulating the toy before the purchase is made. A toy which is too difficult will only exasperate the child, whereas one involving challenges which can be met will stimulate continued interest. Bright colors and large pieces are important to the pre-schooler or severely handicapped child.

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The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

PARTY-WHIRL IN NEW YORK: 74 CONSULATE U.N. OFFICES

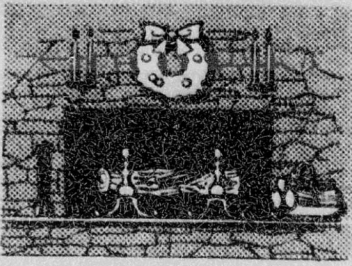
In Manhattan's diplomatic circles there are 74 consulate offices and dozens of United Nations missions. Hundreds of officials celebrate the holiday season in many typical as well as national ways that reflect the traditions of their homelands.

Though New York is famous as a city of great warmth and hospitality during the Christmas season, these little foreign centers give a special variegated glow of their own.

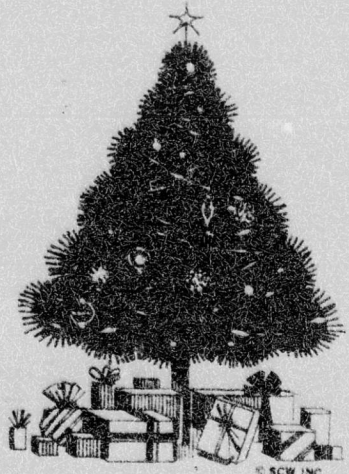
lates occupy many of the old town houses and mansions of the upper East Side, and the official entertaining that goes on in them is frequently on a grand scale.

The Consul General of Sweden, for instance, occupies the great gray 18-room mansion at 600 Park Avenue. The magnificent house, with its 18 rooms and seven baths, was built in 1912 by the architect James Gamble Rogers.

The house now decorated for Christmas with dozens of Swedish straw animals and stars and copper bowls full of greens and candles on every window sill is festive and beautiful, particularly with fires roaring in the great fireplaces.



Part of Christmas entertaining is the Lucia ceremony, traditionally held in Sweden on December 13, to commemorate the coming of Santa Lucia, the lady with the ring of lighted candles on her head. She comes on darkest night of winter to bring light and to announce the beginning of Christmas. It is a charming Christmas tradition that dates back to the end of the 17th century and is now enthusiastically observed in

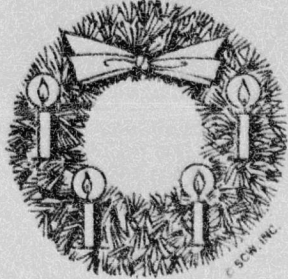


These days foreign consu-

Swedish homes, offices, factories, and cities.

The modern Greek Christmas echoes the country's seafaring past. Youngsters make paper boats to set adrift in the sea or on rivers. St. Basil, who distributes Christmas toys, makes his rounds in a boat... and pictures of anchors appear in countless windows. Decorative icons capture this spirit; they depict not only saints and religious symbols, but ships, anchors, and letters of the alphabet as well. Members of the family can make them of plastic clay imprinted with a pencil or swab stick, then painted with water colors and baked in an oven until they are firm.

Greek "welcome trees" are poles garlanded with evergreen and water-repellent bows, then topped with flaming torches.



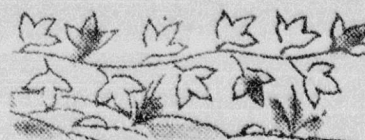
Greens and apples together, as in the tri-light tree, signify hope for the forthcoming spring. On Christmas Eve, the family gathers and sings carols. Father lights the first candle, and Christmas Eve dinner is served. The second candle is lit on Christmas Day; the third on New Year's Day when the festivities end.

Tart jam, a favorite with

St. Francis Tried to Awaken Christ-Spirit Among the Hedonists

Like all the stories about Francis of Assisi, the following story bears record of his faithful conformity to the example of humility and poverty personified in his Lord, Jesus Christ.

Long ago, in the 13th century when Francis went about doing his good deeds in a dark world, he and a few of his companions were celebrating the festival of Christmas in the friars' lodging at Rieti. Some of the monks thought it fitting, because of the presence of a high ecclesiastic, to lay out



Austrian cooks, provides unexpected holiday flavor in Linzer Cake, a plum jam filling in a bread-crumbs nut crust. The little Nut Butter Rounds are adapted from Zauner Krapfen.

"In with the good luck, out with the bad" is the spirit in which misfortune is smoked from house and stable in Austria. The sparkler man holds sparklers to be lit on Christmas Day. The felt Advent calendar has tiny gifts concealed behind walnut half-shells. Good children are allowed to cut off one each day during the Advent season.

a table "a bit special," and set out a table with white linen and glassware.

When Francis saw the elegance of the table he called one of the monks and told him to tell the friars not to wait for him if he should not come promptly at mealtime.

When the friars had got midway into the feast there was a knock on the door. Francis entered, leaning heavily on a beggar's staff and advancing meekly as a pauper. In a beseeching voice he called out, "For the love of the Lord God, give alms to this poor, infirm pilgrim!"

The visiting priest and all at the table gasped with astonishment. Finally the guest of honor broke the startled silence. "For the love of that Lord whom

thou hast named, we will

give you of the alms which the Lord has given us."

Francis humbly accepted the platter and bread the prelate offered him; he sat down on the dirt floor beside the table.

Again silence fell over all. The friars looked miserable and unhappy with their beloved leader squatting on the ground like a beggar, and could not eat. Francis at last spoke:

"When I saw the table worshipfully and sumptuously laid out, I thought within myself it was not the table of poor men of God who daily go from door to door for alms. For it becomes us, dearest, more than other men, to follow the example of the humility and poverty of Christ, because we are professed and called to this before God and men."

While a hearing test will not in itself alleviate a hearing loss, the Belton Crusade for Hearing Conservation points out that such a test is the first step most hard-of-hearing people must take on the road to obtaining help from surgery, medical treatment or a properly fitted hearing aid.

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