

EXPLAINS HOW TO DECORATE DINNER TABLE FOR XMAS

By Mrs. Alexander George

How shall the Christmas dinner be decorated?

Bits of evergreen, pine cones, tiny Christmas trees and other winter greenery and berries add Yuletide charm, of course. They are always good.

Bowls of radishes and nuts, interspersed with all tapers in low holders placed at regular intervals, increase the festive air.

Tolly wreaths laid flat with candle sticks placed in their centers, make a decorative table. If the table is long, the center wreath can hold a candelabra with three or more candles, and at either end the wreaths can hold single candle sticks.

Tall ivory or white candles are suggested when used with holly decorations. A delicate shade of green also will harmonize.

A low bowl, filled with red apples and surrounded with pine cones and greenery, is a simple

attractive center piece. Red candles can accompany this.

A bouquet of winter berries arranged in a wicker basket is unusual and yet attractive, and goes well with other Christmas decorations.

But cups and favor baskets of various colors to fit into the decorative scheme can be put at each place. Miniature Santa Claus and 'elf' figures.

The silver for at least two courses should be on the table when the Christmas dinner guests are seated. Of course, the water glasses should be in place and filled and the bread and butter on the plates. Jelly, relishes, candy and nuts may be on the table.

If cocktails are served, they should be in place before the guests are seated. If the fowl course is the first one, it and its accompanying vegetables should be on the table. If there is a main service, part or all of those can be

served after the guests have been seated.

The fowl, of course, can be served in the kitchen and then brought to the table; but the family method of having the "head" of the fowl at the head of the table and carve and serve, seems preferable and a little more hospitable and informal.

Salads may already be placed if they are served with the main course or may be served as a separate course, this latter method taking more time. Salad may be the first course, part of the main course or follow it.

Wood for Toothpicks

White birch is used most extensively for the making of toothpicks. The seat of the industry is in Maine, but some are imported from Japan and Portugal. The Portuguese toothpicks are made of orange wood and are smaller and tougher. Those from Japan are made from fine reeds.

Meat Youngsters Know It

Ants, we are told, can lift weights which are tremendous compared with their own. Wasps, too, have been known to raise quite large lumps.—Detroit News.

Glad Rags Reflect Revival Of Romance

By Barbara Beaufort
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(Associated Press Feature Service)

PARIS (AP)—Romantic clothes are back in fashion.

Psychologists of the haute couture explain it by the theory that post-war depression, which made women want to appear as inconspicuous as possible, is finally ended.

Now, they say, things are going to swing the other way and every woman wants to dramatize herself in her clothes and intensify her personality to the utmost.

Paris, always obliging, provides plumage for some high-powered personalities in its latest offerings.

Velvet and fur concoctions, labeled "5 to 8" ensembles look like models made for the Princess of Tonnant, at one of the most conservative old establishments in the Rue de la Paix.

Skirts are toe-length, fur bordered and full, on such costumes. There are wasp waisted little

velvet jackets, bordered with fur, to wear with long velvet princess frocks having fur hems. The same type of ensemble, also fur bordered, is made in chiffon and georgette crepe.

The designer responsible for these romantic clothes, reminiscent of the days when there was such a thing as "carriage trade," says that he hopes such words as "sensitive, enchanting and stunning" will be revived in smartly dressed women's vocabularies.

He wants to see women revive good dressing to a full time occupation.

Colonial National Debt

The national debt was \$30,000,000 when the United States government was formed and the debts of the Colonies brought together.

St. Louis loses between \$25,000 and \$25,000 daily to racketeers and commercial swindlers, it is estimated by the better business bureau.

A complaint in a Detroit newspaper says the motorists are chusing them.

Yuletide Trees Begin To Move Toward Homes

BOSTON (AP)—Down from the green New England hills the army of Christmas trees has begun its annual march.

More than 7,000,000 trees are starting out this year for families scattered all over the nation, according to an estimate by officials of the Boston and Maine railroad, along whose lines the Christmas trees grow.

Mr. and Mrs. Spruce will find their way as far west as Chicago and Kansas City, far to the south—to Dallas, to New Orleans—while the great eastern metropolitan centers about New York, Philadelphia and Boston will absorb hundreds of thousands.

The Green mountains of Vermont are contributing more than 2,000,000 trees; Maine is shipping 4,000,000; New Hampshire has shipped 500,000 on their way, and western Massachusetts adds 300,000 to the total.

Preparing this "happiness crop" is a tremendous task. For weeks the rings of axes has echoed through the forests. All sizes and shapes of evergreens are felled.

Some are tall and stately spruces destined to go to schools, churches, hotels and other public places. Down the line they go, to the tiny fir that will adorn tables in apartment houses.

The crop this year, woodsman say, is especially good, well-touched and attractive.

When the axes are stilled, trucks and horse drawn wagons roll to and fro over the rough hill roads, hauling the trees to the railroad lines. There government inspectors scan the trees to prevent possible spread of insect pests. Everywhere is heard the sound of saws, trimming and squaring off the bases of the trees to fit the householder's stand.

They are sorted according to size, in bundles of three to five, and tied with ropes. About 600 bundles, or approximately 2,500 trees, can be piled aboard each flat car.

Chilly London Theaters Defy All Save Robust

LONDON (AP)—It must have been impossible for Americans to realize what it meant to Englishmen when King George attended a theater for the first time since he fell ill a year ago.

In New York an evening at the theater may be expensive, and often uninteresting, but seldom is attendance at a play regarded as a feat of strength.

The situation is different here. At this time of the year in London only those supremely confident of their health think lightly of spending a whole evening in a theater.

For London theaters do not coddle their customers. They are supposed to be sufficiently interested in the play not to notice the absence of heat or the presence of a few draughts.

When the king went for a walk several months ago his people were glad to hear his health was improving. When, a few months later, they read in the newspapers that the king had resumed his regular horseback rides and was enjoying an occasional short train, they were pleased to hear his recovery was continuing.

But when they learned he had been to the theater they looked at one another with real enthusiasm and exclaimed:

"What settles it. The king MUST be well!"

Actually the functionalities of the royal household find their best to reduce the risk to a minimum.

Members of his majesty's staff went to the theater in the afternoon and inspected the royal box, checking the arrangements which had been made to keep it free of the draughts prevalent in other parts of the house, and making sure that the retiring room adjoining the box was as comfortable as possible.

The king himself is not over particular on such occasions, but he does insist on one thing: an evening paper to read between the acts.

As for the fashionably gowned women in the stalls on such a night, well, they have their fur coats which can be pulled up over bare shoulders when the curtain rises and the lights are dimmed.

And if they feel chilled at the end of the act their escorts can, and usually do, see that they get something warming to drink at the theater's conveniently located bar.

But generally speaking only Londoners in a position to brag about their robust health take a chance on sitting through a play in November.

WOMEN FAVORED TO STOP STRIKES

Labor Heads Believe Knotty Problems Give Way to Feminine Leads

WASHINGTON (AP)—Because he believes women often are more valuable than men in the field of labor conciliation, James J. Davis, secretary of labor, entrusts some of his most knotty strike problems to feminine solution.

He argues that a woman is very likely to be best able to handle woman strikers and that a woman certainly can handle men.

"Sometimes the smile of a woman can do more to settle a strike than all the arguments a man can make," said the secretary. "Sometimes a capitalist very 'set' in his mind looks at a woman's smile and says 'maybe I'm wrong'."

"A woman has the same soothing way of analyzing the problem, the same mind as a labor leader that she has in managing her business employee. She is used to taming the wild beast at home, and wherever we men are she sets us right."

As an example of the able way in which a woman commissioner of conciliation adjusts strikes in which men workers are concerned, Secretary Davis cited the record of Miss M. Emmeline Pitt of Pittsburgh.

A woman of independent means, an ordained preacher of the United Presbyterian faith, Miss Pitt entered conciliation work six years ago because she was interested in its humanitarian aspects.

Her ability to deal with men workers was discovered through an error. A telegram to Washington told of a "fabric workers' strike," Department of labor officials thought the fabric workers were women. They sent Miss Pitt, who promptly settled a strike of men making steel fabrication for street cars.

In the last five months, Miss Pitt has adjusted six strikes, all involving men workers.

Entering government service at almost the same time as Miss Pitt, Miss Anna Welnscock of Boston, who was once a member of a neck-weave women union, devoted her time to women strikers. She was hailed a heroine when she was instrumental in settling the Elizabethtown, N. J., textile strike.

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"BEEZLE BUG" MADE BY BOY AGED 18 YEARS

By Oscar Letting
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(Associated Press Feature Service)

WICHITA, Kan. (AP)—"The Beezle Bug" may be just another airplane to the public, but to Ward (Scrapp) Braley it is the god of flight.

Scrapp is only 18 years old, just out of high school, but he is a pilot in his own right, has designed and built four "Beezle Bugs" and is completing a fifth.

Back in barnstorming days, Scrapp received his baptism in the air and few lance pilots gave him "quick work." He was 15 years old when he soloed.

There wasn't money enough to take him to a flying school so he drew up blueprints, spread them before his father, and sought permission to construct his own plane.

Weeks passed until one day the craft was completed with a grinning demon, "The Beezle Bug," painted on one side. When Scrapp's big brother tested the plane, the father became so excited that he formed an aircraft company and named the young son as chief engineer.

The name for the plane came from an alteration of "beetlebug," prince of demons in the Bible and destroyer of flies and insect plagues.

"Beezlebug was a god," young Scrapp said, "and my plane was as near to being a god of flight to me as anything ever could be. That's why the first one carried the name and all the rest will!"

Recently the young engineer and his assistant, Shirley Campbell, who is 21, went to Washington to secure a satisfactory rating from the department of commerce on the newest "Beezle Bug." They are probably the youngest builders in the nation.

FINLAND PREFERS BUSES HELSINKI, Finland (AP)

—Finland's motor bus routes traverse seven times the mileage of state railroads. Nearly 1,500 buses are in operation.

SEAPLANE "FIELD" DESTROYED

WASHINGTON, Pa. (AP)—Seaplane accommodations, destroyed by a hurricane here, have not been restored, but temporary facilities are afforded until future rebuilding.

Hard and Soft Rubber

Soft rubber contains about 2 to 4 per cent sulphur, hard rubber about 30 per cent. A relatively longer period is required for vulcanizing hard rubber.

Flag Etiquette

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Specialist Scores Military Demands

WASHINGTON (AP)—Aircraft engine designers of the whole world are too greatly influenced by military requirements, says F. Gosslau, German research specialist, in a report to the Naval Advisory Committee for Aeroplanes.

"Commercial aviation is suffering," he said, "because it is compelled to use very light, high-powered engines whose structural parts are too highly stressed."

"There is no reason for joining in the pursuit after extreme lightness, which leads to more forced landings than commercial aviation can continue to tolerate."

Temperance Slogan Adorns Paris Bars

PARIS (AP)—The cocktail fans have stolen French temperance workers' slogan and made it their own.

"Attention a Falcoholicisme," the phrase which appears on stickers in French restaurants, saloons and buses, is interior decorators' pet motif for the household bar.

Cocktail napkins have the words embroidered in the corner. Cocktail cozy corner pillows warn against alcoholism and there are light colored worsted cross stitch motifs to hang above the bar bearing the temperance reminder.

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