

Household News

By Eleanor Howe



FESTIVE TRIUMPH FOR CHILDREN'S PARTY
(See Recipes Below)

Children Need Parties Too

With all the holiday festivities for grown folks and for older sisters and brothers, it's not strange that the youngest members of the family beg for a party, too!

Children's parties must be colorful, the entertainment simple, and the refreshments very light. If the party is to be a success (and why give one if it isn't?) the activities of the youngsters must be wisely directed from the moment they arrive, until they leave.

Choose, to direct the entertainment, the wisest, jolliest, child-loving adult you know. Plan games that are simple, and make sure that all the children are included. Remember, too, that children weary quickly of any one activity, so plan a variety of games and get the new one under way before interest in the old one vanishes.

Party refreshments, of course, must be geared to the age of the guests. If they are very young, it's a good idea to serve the feast at the end of the party, so that it takes the place of the regular evening meal.

When Five and Six-Year Olds Get Together

Special Peanut Butter Sandwiches
Raw Carrot Strips
Peppermint Stick Tapioca Cream
Cocoa
Peppermint Stick Tapioca Cream.
(Serves 8)

2 egg yolks
4 cups milk
1/2 cup quick-cooking tapioca
1/2 red cinnamon candies,
crushed peppermint sticks, or
crushed clear fruit-flavored
candies
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 egg whites

Mix egg yolk with small amount of milk in top of double boiler.

Add quick-cooking tapioca, candies, salt and remaining milk. Place over rapidly boiling water and cook 10 to 12 minutes after water boils again, stirring frequently. Remove from fire. (Tapioca will be well distributed throughout, but mixture will be thin. Do not overcook.) Beat egg white until just stiff enough to hold shape. Fold hot tapioca mixture gradually into egg white. Cool—mixture thickens as it cools. Chill. Serve in sherbet glasses. Garnish with whipped cream and colored candies.

Special Peanut Butter Sandwiches.
(Makes 1 cup filling)
1 ripe banana
1 cup peanut butter
1/4 cup dates (cut fine)
1 teaspoon lemon juice

Mash banana with a fork and thoroughly blend in remaining ingredients. Use between slices of whole wheat bread.

Orange Ice.
1 cup granulated sugar
2 cups water
1 teaspoon gelatin
1 tablespoon cold water
2 cups orange juice
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 teaspoon lemon extract
1 teaspoon orange extract

Make a syrup of the sugar and water and boil for five minutes. Remove from fire and add gelatin, which has been softened in cold water. Stir until the gelatin is entirely dissolved and then add fruit juices and flavoring extracts, and pour into freezing tray of mechanical refrigerator. Turn cold control to lowest temperature for rapid freezing. Stir three times at half-hour intervals after the ice has begun to freeze. When almost frozen,

place the mixture in a chilled bowl and beat with a rotary egg beater; then return to tray and complete the freezing.

Little Silver Cakes.
3/4 cup shortening
1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
2 3/4 cups cake flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
3/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
4 egg whites

Cream the shortening, add the sugar, and beat well. Sift the flour, baking powder, and salt; add alternately with the milk and vanilla. Beat the egg whites until stiff and fold into the cake. Bake in greased muffin tins in a moderate oven (350 degrees) for approximately 15 to 20 minutes.

Grilled Bacon Sandwiches.
Remove crusts from slices of bread and toast bread on one side only. Spread untoasted side with peanut butter and top with slices of bacon. Preheat broiler to 350 degrees. Place sandwiches on broiler rack, 3 1/2 inches from flame. Broil until bacon is crisp and brown, approximately 7 minutes. Serve very hot.

Sugared Doughnuts.
4 eggs
1 cup sugar
4 tablespoons shortening (melted)
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 1/2 to 3 cups cake flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon cinnamon

Beat the eggs until light. Add sugar slowly and continue beating until foamy. Add melted shortening and vanilla extract. Mix and sift two cups of flour and all the other dry ingredients and fold into the egg mixture. Add just enough more flour to make a soft dough which can be handled. Place on lightly floured board and roll dough out to 3/4-inch thickness. Cut, and fry in deep fat (370 degrees) and drain on unglazed paper.

Hot Spiced Cider.
2 quarts cider
1 cup brown sugar
1 six-inch stick cinnamon
6 whole cloves
1 teaspoon allspice

Add spices and sugar to cider, place in kettle and let simmer over heat (not boil) for 15 minutes. Strain and serve hot in small glasses. Add a little grated nutmeg.

Stands for Vegetables.
To be sure, we all know that vegetables in one form or another are an important part of the diet. But when you're confronted with the problem of getting Junior to eat his carrots, just how will you get around that? Next week I'll give you my suggestions for solving that particular problem. Be sure and watch for them in this column next week.

Have you sent for your leaflet of "Holiday Recipes," by Eleanor Howe? Plum puddings, cakes rich with fruit and nuts, cookies for all kinds of parties, and confections, too—you'll find recipes for all of these, in this specially compiled leaflet. Send 10 cents in coin to "Holiday Recipes," care of Eleanor Howe, 919 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and get your copy, now.

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Electric Outlets Needed For Kitchen Efficiency

When electric outlets are being planned in a new house for lamps, clocks, and radios, the kitchen is often neglected. In reality, it has more uses for plugs than any other room.

Within reasonable limits, there cannot be too many appliance outlets in the kitchen. In this room electricity is used both for lighting and for motivating power. Consumption of current varies widely with kitchen appliances, and special attention should be given to the load the outlet is expected to carry.

Star Dust

★ Astonishing Youth
★ Well Done, Jane Bryan!
★ Well, the Queen Did It
By Virginia Vale

HOLLYWOOD casting directors are usually pretty hard-boiled; practically nothing surprises them. But Victor Sutner, casting director for Edward Small Productions, Inc., now filming "My Son, My Son!" for United Artists, was considerably startled when he got the answers to questions asked Schuyler Standish, who reported to be tested for the part of a young boy.

"How old are you?" asked Sutner. "Twelve."

"And in what grade are you at school?"

"The senior year at high school."

Sutner thought the lad was pulling a fast one. But he discovered that he had a prodigy on his hands. Young Standish is successful as an actor, both on the screen and radio, has won a scholarship as a violinist, writes plays and stages them for inmates of the Veterans' hospital at Sawtelle, Calif., and draws and paints and builds models.

"We Are Not Alone" is a picture you should be sure to see; the chances are that you'll remember it, not just because of Paul Muni's excellent performance, but because of Jane Bryan's appearance in the cast.

For Jane Bryan is being hailed as the new sensation of the motion picture world. Her last name is really O'Brien, and she's an American. When she was a member of



JANE BRYAN

Jean Muir's Theater Workshop, in Los Angeles, about four years ago, Warner Brothers discovered her. Bette Davis discovered her, too, and has done everything she could to help her along in her career. Perhaps you'll remember her from "The Old Maid." Certainly you're going to do it because of her work in "We Are Not Alone."

One hears that Norma Shearer made a short for the Red Cross, didn't like the results, and asked that it be abandoned, and that the picture had to be re-made, with Ann Sheridan in the leading role.

If so, Miss Shearer is in good company. For it is also reported that Queen Elizabeth of England was filmed while making an Armistice day broadcast, and that the film has been called in and will be made over again, with better make-up and lighting for the royal star.

"Flesh and the Devil," which introduced Greta Garbo to a great many Americans, is to be re-made. It seems fairly certain that she will appear in it again, with a new script, (the first version was a silent one,) and a new leading man—Melvyn Douglas.

Al Pearce claims that he got his "I hope, I hope, I hope," straight from life—his own life. While still in his teens he sold insurance, or tried to; it was the kind that calls for small weekly payments. Al was as timid as the salesman he portrays on the air, and when he'd ring door bells he often muttered to himself "I hope there's nobody home, I hope, I hope, I hope." When he was working on the character of "Elmer" for his radio program the line came back to him.

Highlights of the year 1939 and how they will vitally affect world civilization during the next 12 months are shown in the latest March of Time film, "Newsfronts of War—1939." It begins with a brief examination of the year's most important events, and shows how they were covered by the big press associations. It is a film record of history in the making.

ODDS AND ENDS—"Sky Blazers," a new half-hour dramatization of authentic daring exploits in the lives of famous airplane pilots, is a new Saturday evening program; it's written by Phillips Lord, creator of "Gang Busters" and "We, the People" . . . Three of the six girls who work in the Professor Quiz office have married since they began sorting the thousands of questions and answers which pour in every week for his Battle of Wits; each got a three weeks' vacation for her honeymoon, and then went back to work . . . "Four Wives," a sequel to "Four Daughters," is finished, and so is "The Secret of Dr. Kildare," the latest of the Kildare series.
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THIS FUNNY WORLD



Might Need Several Doctor—You should take a bath before you retire.

Patient—But, doctor, I don't expect to retire for another five years.

So She Said
"But your wife said she'd forgive and forget."
"Yes. She's forgotten she'd forgiven."

Thinks Better
"Daddy, what's a bachelor?"
"It's a man who thinks before he acts—and then doesn't act at all."

Child at keyhole: "There must be company. Mother's calling daddy 'dear.'"

Willing to Chance It
"Dad, do my homework for me."
"Now, son, you know that wouldn't be right."
"Pr'aps not, dad; but you might have a go at it."

ON THE GO



He—I'm wondering what the young women are coming to. She—And we're always wondering where we are going.

Counterpart
"Six weeks old and just like his father!"
"Yes—yells for everything he wants."

His Trouble
Johnny had been asked by his hostess to have a second piece of cake and had declined.
"Suffering from loss of appetite?" she asked.
"No," replied Johnny, "from politeness."

ASK ME ANOTHER ?

A Quiz With Answers Offering Information on Various Subjects

The Questions

1. What does being sent to convalesce mean?
2. What is the national language of Brazil?
3. Is there any difference between savor and flavor?
4. What is meant by a country's favorable balance of trade?
5. A procurator, a peregrinator and a promulgator. One is a lawyer, one a publisher, and the other a traveler. Which is which?
6. Is a silverfish a member of the finny tribe?
7. Why are macadam roads so called?
8. Can any person in the United States obtain a patent?

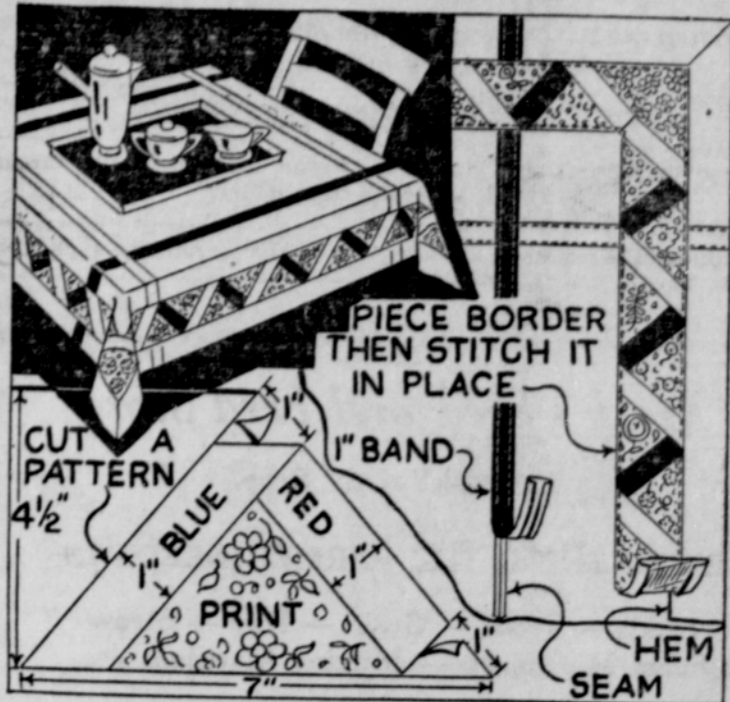
The Answers
1. To be excluded from the society of the people to which one belongs.

Our Thoughts

Every thought and feeling is a painting stroke, in the darkness, of our likeness that is to be; and our whole life is but a chamber, which we are frescoing with colors that do not appear while being laid on wet, but which will shine forth afterwards, when finished and dry.—Henry Ward Beecher.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Patchwork border for lunch cloth.

THE new uses for crazypatch stitches in Sewing Book 3 have aroused so much interest that it set us to thinking of smart new ways to use pieced quilt block designs. This border pieced of small patterned cotton prints of all kinds and colors put together with red and blue strips is the result. It is very striking and decorative for lunch cloth shown here which, by the way, is made of unbleached muslin bags. The seams where the bags are joined to make the cloth the desired size are covered with straight 1-inch bands of the red and blue material as shown at the right.

The diagram at the lower left shows you how to make a pattern for the blue, red and print pieces. Cut a triangle of stiff paper 4 1/2 inches high and 7 inches wide at the base. Mark the blue strip 1 inch wide along the left edge as shown and then the red strip joining it on the right edge. Now cut away the top and lower right corners as shown. Cut the red, blue and print sections apart and use them for patterns in cutting the

fabric pieces adding 1/4-inch seam at all edges.

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