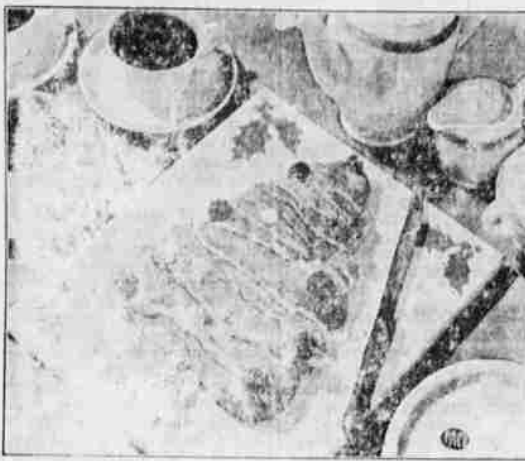




A first meal on the morning following a party calls for something both simple to make and good. Christmas Tree Coffee Cake calls only for fresh, hot coffee and plenty of butter and preserves.

Christmas Tree Coffee Cake Decorative, Simple

Serve a Christmas Tree Coffee Cake for those overnight holiday guests. It is a simple matter these days with the packaged hot roll mix and some spices you have on hand. It can be made the day before and warmed then for the late risers.

Christmas Tree Coffee Cake
Follow recipe for sweet rolls or refrigerator rolls on package of hot roll mix, adding 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg and 1/4 teaspoon allspice to the dry ingredients. After mixing with liquid, called for, work in 1 cup finely chopped walnuts. Let rise as directed. Shape dough in long rope

about 1/2-inch in diameter. Coil rope in shape of Christmas tree, starting with trunk. Brush with melted butter or margarine. Cover and let rise again until doubled in bulk. Bake as directed for rolls. Cool. Decorate with white confectioners' sugar frosting, green sugar and Maraschino cherries.

For Drop-in Guests
Be prepared for callers during the holidays with simple refreshments. Try tiny hot baking powder biscuits, split and filled with slices of ham, and serve salted filberts, sugared walnuts, hot punch and raisin layer cake with hard sauce frosting.

Christmas Event For Mill City Club

MILL CITY — The Christmas meeting of the Mill City Toastmistress club was last week at the home of one of the charter members, Mrs. Elsie Potter, with Mrs. Kenneth Crosier and Mrs. William Hutchison as hostesses. Dessert was served prior to the business meeting which was conducted by Mrs. Vernon Todd.

Toastmistress for the evening was Mrs. Gayle Lowery with her Christmas theme presented in rhyme. Toastmistress was Mrs. Al Nesbitt, with topics for each member on the subject she received in the gift exchange. Mrs. Ed Yarnell of Salem, former club member, was guest evaluator. Extemporaneous speeches were given by Mrs. Howard Means on "Toyland" and Mrs. Marshall Power spoke of "Trimming the Tree." Mrs. Ida Geddes talked on "Christmas in the Past." The invocation was given by Mrs. Noble Streeter. Timer was Mrs. Lowell Fleetwood.

Mrs. Arthur LeCours, Mrs. Kenneth Crosier and Mrs. A. T. Barnhardt were elected as the nominating committee to present a slate of officers at the next meeting. Following the meeting, holiday contest games were played under the direction of Mrs. Means and Mrs. LeCours. Guests for the evening were Mrs. Charles Kelly, Mrs. Melbourne Rumba, Mrs. G. B. Frost, Mrs. Wendell Weaver, Mrs. Darrell Crossler, Mrs. Ralph Fough, Mrs. John Muir, Mrs. W. W. Allen, Mrs. Ed Yarnell, Marion Peschick, Helen Kliever and Mary Ida Acheson.

Visits Relatives

SILVERTON — Mrs. Irene Roubal, member of the Silverton Union high school faculty, returned Sunday evening from a week-end visit in Milwaukee with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Theodore Roubal.
To be with Theodore Roubal, now a 2nd lieutenant in the 17th signal corps, on location at Pirmasers, Germany. Mrs. Roubal and the daughter, Diane, left Monday by train for Fort Hamilton, N. Y., and from there plan to fly to Germany.
Lt. Roubal is a graduate of Oregon State college and has an other year and a half of active duty in the service.

SILVERTON — At the George Christensen home for Christmas are to be the families of their daughter and two of their sons. Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Lindholm (Elin Christensen) and daughter, Pamela. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Christensen and Linda, Janice and Bruce, all of Salem; and Mr. and Mrs. John Christensen of Portland.

MUMFREVILLE — Newly elected officers of Knowles chapter, Order of Eastern Star, are Eileen King, worthy matron, and Tom King, worthy patron; Beulah Hubbard, associate patron; Shirley Werrell, conductress; Doris Davern, a s s o c i a t e conductress; Hazel Shumway, secretary, and Alberta Morris, treasurer. Public installation will be January 2 at 8 p.m. at the Masonic hall.

AUXILIARY YULE PARTY
WOODBURN — The annual Christmas party of the Woodburn auxiliary of the American Legion will be held at the sewing meeting Dec. 28, at the home of Mrs. L. B. Detweiler. Hostesses will be Mrs. Adrian Schoeller and Mrs. W. O. Green.

The Savannah River project where the United States makes H-bombs has an electric power system about the size of that for the state of Delaware and a water supply system about the size of that for Philadelphia.

DeArmonds Are Hosts

WOODBURN — Mr. and Mrs. Tom DeArmond entertained a group of friends at a Christmas party and late buffet supper Saturday night at their country home near Woodburn.

Thirty-six were present including Mr. and Mrs. Neal Butterfield of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Nibler of Hillsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bishoprick, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Coman, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lacey, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Ahrens, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Tweed of Monitor, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene F. Stoller, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Willeford, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Lester of Aurora, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Glatt, Dr. and Mrs. Gerald B. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ticknor and the host and hostess.

Stayton CDA Court Reports Meeting

STAYTON — Court Queen of Peace, Catholic Daughters of America, met recently at Forester hall.

At the recent initiation, these ladies were welcomed into the Court: Mrs. Herman Breitenstein, Mrs. Walter Breitenstein, Mrs. Theodore Peters, Mrs. Bernard Zuber, Mrs. Hubert Bones, Mrs. Maurice Adams and Mrs. Anna Mollenbier. Mrs. Anna Remillard of Court Marion, Mt. Angel and Mrs. Mariette Land of Court Capitol City, Salem were also initiated with new members. A food shower was also given at the meeting for the members of Stayton and Sublimity. The Juniors had Christmas decorations for sale at the meeting.

Mrs. Bill Nielsen, chairman of the Junior Consuls gave a report on the Junior Leader Institute. Twenty-five dollars was donated to the K.C. Christmas fund. A number of Christmas carols were sung, led by Mrs. Peter Etzel on her accordion.

A talk was given by Father Jonas, pastor, on Christ and Christmas. The December entertainment committee included Mesdames Henry Goscher, Pat Gorman, Sim Etzel, Mike Adams, Ed Bell, H. P. Wyman, the two Miss Margaret Domrowsky, Peter Mertz, Walter Dörler, Alfred Schneider, Joe Heubeger, Cletus Minten and Paul Dörler.

Toastmistress Club Meets at Stayton
STAYTON — Changes in the by-laws were given approval when Stayton Toastmistress club met recently in the home of Mrs. Stayton Union high school.

Elected to serve as a nominating committee for officers for the coming year were Hattie Samek, Marie Reynolds and Betty Jelaca. Topic mistress was Mrs. Reynolds, who conducted two-minute talks on Christmas decorations.

Betty Jelaca was toastmistress, introducing Marjorie Ware, whose talk was on "Christmas in Mexico." Second speaker was Anne August who talked about "The Republic of Israel." Marjorie Kerber was timekeeper and evaluators were Jeanne Norton and Jane Starr.

Tables were attractively decorated in holly sprays and red candles by Mrs. Norton. Hostesses were Mrs. Ware and Gladys Belden. Guests were Esther Johnson, Dorothy Humphreys and Miss Farness, student exchange teacher. Marie Hottinger, lexicologist, conducted a word drill.

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THAT MAN'S IN HER HAIR



Unlike her new mother-in-law, musical comedy star Mary Martin, this bride's not-trying to wash that man right out of her hair. U. S. Air Force Sgt. Larry Hagman, 23-year-old son of Mary Martin, reaches to keep his bride's veil from being gone with the wind after their wedding Dec. 18 in the Swedish Church at London. The bride is the former Maj. Irene Axelsson, Swedish dress designer. Hagman is stationed with the air force in London. The couple will visit the bride's family in Stockholm on their honeymoon. (AP Wirephoto via radio from London)

Otto John, ex-FBI Chief, Out of Work in Red Zone

BERLIN — Otto John, unemployed, that seems to be the status today of West Germany's former FBI chief who fled to the Soviet zone last July. He was a propaganda jewel for a few days. Now, he's a political white elephant.

East German sources say John, ex-head of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's top security office, is living in complete obscurity in Potsdam.

He is working on memoirs. The rent on his little house is paid by the East German Communist government. He has a pension to pay for his food and incidental expenses. A car and chauffeur are provided.

John is expected to be available for an occasional propaganda broadcast as his contribution to the regime. He has made a total of six in the five months since his disappearance from West Berlin. All are pegged on the same theme—against West German alliance with European defense.

John has no contact with the Eastern press unless government agents are on hand. The Communists extracted every ounce of propaganda value possible out of John when he defected to the East. Then the East Germans searched around for ways to use him. Informants now say the search was fruitless.

1. He turned out to be sincere, however misguided, in his attacks on the West and was equally sincere in maintaining that this did not make him a Communist.

2. A high-tension intellectual, he demonstrated a stubbornness toward Communist methods and ideas that made him untrustworthy by Red standards.

The net result is that he is not allowed to make any public speeches nor are any of his writings being circulated. His work on his memoirs merely gives him something to while away the time without any sign the East intends to let them reach publication.

Two small boys told police they saw a man put something into the can—and officers found \$23.890 lying in it loose, hidden only by an overturned paper box.

A six-state alarm was sent out for the bandit.

Weight Worries Given Several Ways to Reduce

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK (UPI)— Anybody planning a New Year's austerity program after a holiday filled with calories will find plenty of company.

So many people want to help us get in shape in 1955 that a fat man should feel as sought after as a debutante.

Three separate events, illustrating three different outlooks on the problem, will show the way for weight worriers. In the order these events occurred in a single week here, they are:

1. A young businessman returned from Europe with the news that he had taken 4,500,000 pounds off 800,000 American women, and it was only the beginning. (Let's see, now. Eight goes into 45 five times, carry the five. Oh, that's only five and five-eighths pounds per woman.)

2. A new series of television programs entitled "It's Fun To Reduce" went into production here. They're produced by Guild Films, the same people who put on Libby's television program, in case that seems significant.

3. A man telephoned to proclaim ominously, "If American women don't start exercising regularly to maintain their figures we'll have a sluggish race instead of a beautiful race. When you get in a physical rut you are only one-third the woman you should be."

In each case, the method advocated for keeping slim and shapely is different, but the purpose is the same.

Lawrence L. Mack, a former Navy officer and official in the small loan business, heads a chain of figure salons known as the Slennerella System. He's the fellow who just came back from Europe after setting up a Paris branch to start whittling away at the figures of European women.

Diet, Passive Exercise
Mack's system of slimming customers combines diet and passive exercise, which means that instead of bending and bouncing to take off inches you just lie on special tables and let various gadgets exercise muscles for you.

The man with the dire forecast of national sluggishness is Al Room, an exercise specialist who believes that 15 minutes a day of the right kind of exercise can mold a good figure. But he insists that every man and woman must put out some effort to get the results.

"There are screen stars in their forties who have much better bodies than girls of 19 and 20," Room said morosely. "They look after themselves. Those television programs will be 15 minute filmed exercise sessions starring Margaret

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Firth, a former physical education director who has done the exercise program locally on a Pittsburgh, Pa., television station since 1951 January.



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