

### Holiday Menu Has Become More Simple—Some Easy Delicacies

Although the turkey still gobbles around Christmas time, we moderns no longer gobble up so much turkey—or other traditional holiday foods. The proverbial festive gorge with huge quantities of food followed by much after-dinner groaning by innumerable guests is no more. Since apartments, and especially dining rooms, are smaller and meals are no longer such time-consuming events, the annual menu has become simplified and the guests fewer.

The hostess of today need not tire herself out working and planning until the last minute for the gastronomic pleasure of her guests. The less elaborate and the fewer courses make it easier to prepare much of the food—cakes, pies, turkey dressing—a day or so in advance. Although the holiday desserts are more or less traditional, the hostess may surprise her guests with several different dishes. Some may prefer a new fruit pie with raisins and dates—favorites of Christmas time—to mince and pumpkin pies. Cranberry—date butter may also be a welcome change from old fashioned cranberry sauce.

**Mediterranean Fruit Pie**  
Pastry for 1 crust pie  
3-4 c seeded raisins  
1 pkg. (1 c) sliced citron peel  
1 pkg. (1 c) sliced orange peel  
3-4 c brown sugar  
1-2 t cinnamon  
1-2 t nutmeg  
3 c hot water  
3 t cornstarch  
1-4 c cold water  
Juice 1 lemon  
2 t butter  
Cook the raisins, peel, sugar, spices, and hot water for about five minutes. Add the cornstarch mixed with the cold water. Cook, stirring constantly, about 10 minutes longer. Remove from the fire, add lemon juice and butter. Cool, then pour into pie tin lined with rich pie paste. Cover with strips of pastry and bake on the lower shelf of a hot oven (350-375) until well browned. (15 to 20 min.)  
As pastry making is a fine art, the inexperienced pie maker will be more assured of success if she uses the following beginner-proof method rather than the old

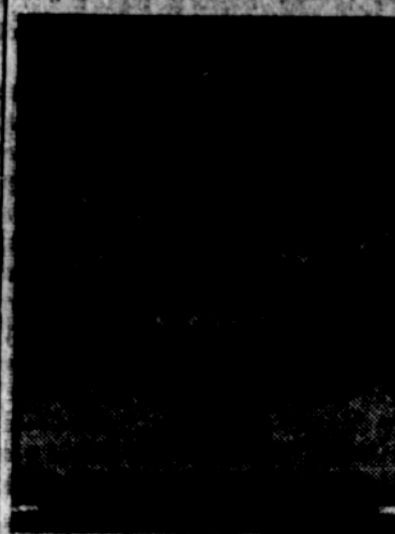
fashioned-cold water method:  
1 1-2 c flour  
1-2 t baking powder  
1-2 t salt  
1-2 c solid shortening  
1-4 c boiling water  
Sift dry ingredients and rub in fat with a fork until well-mixed, but not too fine. Add enough water to make a stiff paste. Roll out part of paste for a bottom crust, saving the rest to be cut into narrow strips for top.

**DATE AND CRANBERRY BUTTER**  
2 pkgs (1 1-4 lb.) dates  
1 quart cranberries  
2 c water  
2 c brown sugar  
Pit the dates and place them in a large saucepan. Examine the cranberries, rejecting the soft fruit and removing the stems; wash berries and add to dates together with the fruit. Simmer the mixture for 20 min. Rub the cooked fruit through a sieve, add the sugar, and stir over a low flame until the sugar is dissolved. Cook the mixture until it is of the consistency of thick apple sauce or apple butter. (The cooking period will be about 15 minutes.)  
Fill small sterilized jars with the hot mixture and seal immediately.

This recipe will fill 4 half-pint jars.  
**Biscuit**  
2 c flour  
4 t baking powder  
1-2 t salt  
3 t shortening  
2-4 c milk or half milk and half water  
Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt; add shortening and mix in thoroughly with steel fork. Add liquid slowly to make soft dough; roll or pat out with hands on floured board to about 1-2 inch in thickness; cut with biscuit cutter first dipped in flour; place on slightly greased pan and cover tightly. Set in ice box or cool place until morning; take out and let stand in warm room a few minutes; then bake in hot oven at 475 d. f. ten to 12 min.  
If a shorter biscuit is desired use 3 or 4 tablespoons shortening. Makes 14 biscuits.

The Dalles—Work began on new United Brethren church.

### Glass and Crystal Sets



Glass flowers strike a most modern note in smart decoration. Transparent, luminous, lovely are these flowers made all of glass even to their slender stems. Only in the most exclusive shops are they to be found, which is directly in their favor if you are seeking a gift for some fastidious friend. Not only flowers, but exotic birds whose plumage is a solid setting of glittering glass jewels and who are posed on sparkling crystal pedestals, are among these decorative elegancies. The glass and crystal vogue includes most beautiful glass ships for table centerpieces. Crystal trees, too, are in evidence.

### Of Gay Enamel Cloth



A cushion of colorful enamel cloth with bas-relief of realistic-looking gay flowers is warranted to bring a real thrill on Christmas morn to the friend who entertains as the subject of interior decoration, and who would almost enter "a note of error" in the scheme of things. Do not confuse enamel cloth with glass cloths or cretonnes or anything of that sort. It looks rather like colorful patent leather and it is produced in every lovely shade, both pastel tints and acidic colorings, also black.

Portland — New Rose City Upholstery plant on Sandy will employ 35 men.

### When Phillip Received That Christmas Gift

PRISCILLA was making pumpkin pies. The fruit cake had been ripened and the turkey lay in festive state, stuffed with sage and onion. Although it was really a chicken, one didn't mention that, no more than one mentioned the fact that daddy was Santa Claus, or that the little black stockings which hung before the hearth fire would not be very full.

There was only one blot in Priscilla's Christmas joy. "I can't give Phillip anything," she said to her mother, worriedly. "It isn't as if he were a youngster and satisfied with red-yeared knitted mittens, or as if he were a poor boy, even, but when he sends me another mother, I—I don't know what to do." Phillip was the young man from the city who had been exceedingly attentive to Priscilla. Flowers he sent, and fruits and dainty candies, but not the simple, homely kind to which she was accustomed. It was not this air of richness, though, that made Priscilla's heart beat quick and thrilly. It was the simple, boyish way of him. Dear? Yes, she had just admitted it to herself.

And now he was coming to Christmas dinner with her and her happy, humble family and Priscilla, in her unweddedness, felt that she had no gift for him. Her mother, though, was wiser. She looked with a tender, wistful pride at her fair young daughter, the daughter with soft eyes shining, with hair curled gayly in the steam of the front kitchen, with rose-petal cheeks, blushed warm by young love and by Christmas. She finished her cooking and set the long white table where the hearth fire glowed and the Christmas tree was festive with red and tinsel.

Then Phillip had come and the dinner was progressing, fluffy potatoes and gravy all brown, the roasted turkey which was a chicken, really, the old fruit cake and, last of all, the spicy pumpkin pie. The mother watched and smiled, but her eyes were moist a little, for every bit of food Priscilla served was as a gift. If only Phillip could know.

But no one could explain to Phillip. After the meal was over and extravagantly praised, the rich boy from the city seemed comfortably at home. He and Priscilla took a walk through the crisp, snowy Christmas starlight and still she could not tell him that she had no gift for him. Back to the front steps they came, then out of the shadows Priscilla jumped and ran into the house. Phillip saw the mistletoe first and suddenly there was no need for explanations. The stars and the snowflakes saw him take the sweetest gift of all.—Maxine Chapman.

### The American Turkey

PERHAPS the most distinctive feature of our American Christmas dinner is the turkey. This noble bird is a Christmas feast requirement, whether the dinner be prepared in Texas or Wisconsin, New York or California. It is interesting to recall the origin of our national Christmas bird. The story of Capt. John Smith, from his wars with the Turks, surveying the wild fowl in the forests of Virginia and of his uproarious laughter upon seeing the turkey gobbler strut proudly before the hens is perhaps fresher in the minds of our school children than in our own. At any rate, we agree with his comparison of the proud gobbler, for he "is exactly like the proud Turk showing off before his harem." So the name turkey is no longer familiar just to Americans; but has fast become an international medium of celebrating the happy Christmas season.—Frank H. Sweet.

### Mistletoe and Kissing

The mistletoe and kissing are always inseparably connected in the minds of Europeans, and as far back as tradition and history can go the quaint berried plant and kissing have always gone hand in hand together.

### Christmas Day

Christmas is the sweetest day of the year, for the reason that it is, in its proper observance, utterly unselfish, and because it is the golden link of time that serves to bind heaven and earth in a closer understanding.

### Songs Sung by Angels

Christmas carols were sung as far back as 1521 and were said to be the songs sung by angels at the birth of Christ.

### First Christmas Observance

The observance of Christmas began about the Fourth century. It became a general custom only in the Thirteenth century.

### Holly Unlucky

In some parts of England there is a superstition that it is unlucky to take holly into the house before Christmas.

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