



Mrs. Luly Minear, who celebrated her 93rd birthday December 4, shows some of the fancywork she has made although she entertains herself now by listening to the radio. Mrs. Minear lives at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. M. Kininger, 135 South Keene Way drive, and has made her home in Medford for 58 years. She attends the Medford Church of Brethren.

Stuffed Onions

For an interesting, edible vegetable garnish for roasts, fill partially cooked, hollowed out white onions with crushed pineapple, dot with a bit of butter, 1/2 teaspoon brown sugar and top with bread crumbs. Place in a shallow baking pan with a little water and bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for about 30 minutes or until tender.

Dessert To Delight All

New York—UPI—Here's fruit dessert the whole family will approve. Combine 1/2 pint of sour cream, 3/4 cup of diced marshmallows, 2 cups sliced bananas, 1 1/4 cups of green seedless grapes and 1 teaspoon of vanilla extract. Mix well. Chill, and serve in sherbet glasses. Top each glass with a maraschino cherry.

Soft dried figs dipped in melted chocolate then in chopped walnuts are a delicious treat to serve with ice cream.

You can prevent the caps on nail polish bottles from sticking by putting a little liquid or paste wax on the threads.

Potpourri

In spite of the unkind remarks made by the cynics about cocktail parties, sometimes one comes across interesting information. For instance, did you know that tomato juice will deodorize a dog after an encounter with a skunk? This curious fact Potpourri gleaned at the party which Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marble gave last week end.

Richard Watson related how the family spaniel tried to drive away a skunk which was helping itself to some honey (how the honey came to be in the yard is another interesting story) with perfectly frightful results. The distracted Watsons called a veterinarian who said wash the dog in tomato juice. This worked for the spaniel, but imagine how much tomato juice it would take to wash a St. Bernard.

At the party which the Phil Lowrys and Paul Havilands gave last Sunday, Potpourri learned about cameras so small they can be concealed in the palm of a hand. They even have flash attachments. We know, because John Snider stuck one in our face and took a picture. He promised, under oath, not to show it to anyone.

Trying to find Mrs. Snider in the press of guests, we inquired what she was wearing. "Peddle pushers, or maybe jeans," said John. This of course, was a joke, even though we had just met Hilding Bengtson coming out of the club wearing riding clothes and boots. (He mounted his horse and rode away down the hill). Mrs. Snider was actually wearing an attractive black knit suit with rhinestone and pearl trim.

We would have learned all about Volkswagen cars if we had let Mrs. Robert Shepherd talk. Mrs. S. says that whenever anyone asks her if she likes her little foreign car she always says "do you have an hour and a half to listen?"

The young marrieds, who drew duty in New York, didn't find any glamour or excitement the first week, or if they did, failed to write home about it. New York City is "big and dirty, just as Anna (Pellegrini) said it would be," was the first reaction.

But the letter was mostly about their struggle to find a place to live which didn't cost more than an Army private and his wife get from the government. "If rents were exorbitant in Seaside, where we paid \$60 a month for two small, moderately dirty furnished rooms and a bath, there are no words to describe the situation here," wrote the Army wife. "Our Seaside place would demand a \$100-\$120 in New York, and the landlord would demand a three-year lease with a month's rent and two months security in advance—and it wouldn't be furnished. Hotel rooms are correspondingly expensive.

"We hunted for an apartment from Thursday afternoon until Sunday. Most of them are advertised in the Sunday morning Times, so we waited to do most of our looking until Sunday. We found that it is impossible to find a place that can be moved into immediately. Some owners are advertising apartments that won't even be built until next spring. And they all want three-year leases."

The search ended in Brooklyn, where they joined forces with another young Army couple to rent an apartment in a new building—at \$130 a month. Both wives are now hunting for work, and hoping to make enough so they will be able to afford concerts and plays.

We hope the Christmas box we mailed to New York gets there in time. Feeling a bit bereft, and remembering the miserable first Christmas away from home way back in college days, Potpourri had an idea. We had pappy cut a small branch from an evergreen tree in the yard and we packed it in a box, along with a few of the bright Christmas balls which have been used on the family tree for years and years.

One of our Christmas letters came from Maccine Titus, who worked in the Medford library before going to Tucson, Ariz. M. T. wrote that her work at the Tucson library includes taking out the Bookmobile once a week and that she calls it "The Monster." She added "When I finally get it up to 30 miles an hour, and have to stop suddenly, wow! All 3,000 books fly off the shelves." Miss T. also does reference work.

She added that among recent visitors in Tucson had been Miss Faye Woolley, who retired not long ago from her work as head of the Medford library, and the Thayer Tarvins and son, Terry. Mrs. Tarvin also works in the Medford library. Mrs. Paul Rothermel, the former Helen Hinc of Medford who at one time was on the library staff here, visited with Miss Titus not long ago. The round-up of library news included the fact that Mrs. Faye Bolleo of Medford is now working in the catalogue department of the Tucson library. Miss Titus wrote that from time to time she sees Major and Mrs. Raymond Pfium, who left Medford some time ago for Arizona, and invited Medford travelers to visit the Tucson library.

A Medford school teacher mailed a few pieces of student work the other day to The Tribune because she was very proud of the writers. As a lesson assignment the youngsters wrote letters to their parents, stating what they would like for Christmas. She was impressed to read in one letter "What I want most of all is that all the mothers and fathers in Hungary could give their children a nice, warm, safe Christmas. If all the orphans in the world could get a nice mother and father, and all the children in hospitals get well, it would be wonderful." One child wrote "whatever I get, I will be satisfied" and another asked for games, so she would have something to entertain her school friend callers.

Brides who plan weddings at Christmas should think twice. The William McAllisters know. Mrs. M. mailed Mrs. Nat Bender Jr. her attendant's dress—five days later it had not arrived in Seattle and Diane was about ready to leave for Medford. Frantic calls resulted in a search in the Seattle P.O. and the dress was delivered to Diane less than an hour before she left. The bridegroom's relatives from the east (who live on Running Pump road, Lancaster, Pa.) had to land in Klamath Falls because of fog in Medford, and arrived here by bus. One of the ushers, Lt. Stephen N. Cook, started out by plane from California, had engine trouble, landed in K.F. and arrived in Medford by bus only two hours before the wedding.

Looking at the serene faced bride, Kathryn McAllister, and her calm and gracious mother during the wedding and reception, one would not have guessed at the worry which had gone on for the past few days.

Mrs. Sam Richardson, trying to stamp Christmas cards and keep an eye on two-year-old Sam Jr., remarked that boys certainly do get into mischief. About that time little Sam showed up lugging an arm off the big Marine corps sign.

Finally arriving at the P.O. window we were politely greeted by Paul Kurovsky who inquired "How are you today?" Since the place was jammed, and confusion reigned, we inquired "Do you still find time for the amenities during all this?" He smiled slightly and said "We try to—but sometimes it's a little difficult."

Although Potpourri's name is on the front page of this section most of the time, we'd like to point out that it isn't all our doings. The page is our responsibility, and we work hard at it, but we get lots of help, too. When we run out of ideas and suggestions, they are forthcoming from other staff members. Bob Vroman takes

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7122 by Alice Brooks

French Fried Shrimp

For each pound of cooked shelled shrimp, allow 1 cup drained pineapple chunks. Dip both shrimp and pineapple in thin fritter batter and fry in deep fat (375 degrees F.) until golden brown. Serve tender shrimp and juicy pineapple immediately with potato chips.

California Fuerte avocados, a most prized winter fruit, are in season again. You'll know them by their shiny, smooth, green skins. Use them often in tempting salads. Start off the season with crisp greens and diced Calavo avocado tossed with Roquefort cheese dressing.

When cellophane bags used in freezing food become brittle, roll them in a wet towel and let stand for several hours. They will absorb moisture and not break when used.

the pictures, and Peg Hutchinson does the layouts. Orchids they deserve, too.

Have a Merry Christmas, everyone—but remember to make the drink for the road coffee.—O.S.

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Mrs. Claude Alexander, 110 Almond street, shows off a festive fireplace that she and Mr. Alexander have at their home during the holiday season. The fireplace, actually an upright Chickering piano, is made of plywood and is covered with red brick patterned paper. The front section lifts off so Mrs. Alexander is able to continue giving piano lessons to her 15 students the year round. Except for this time of year the Alexanders do not have a fireplace in their home.

Chore List Saves On Holiday Rush

New York—UPI—Let's face it—most of us end up with a last-minute rush when we're having company for the holidays.

But you can save time, embarrassment over something overlooked, and your own temper, with some advance planning.

The Gas Appliance Manufacturers' Association consumer service offers this "practically fool-proof" method.

First, write out the Christmas or New Year's menu from soup to nuts—leaving out nothing. Then, study each course carefully, mentally rehearsing every operation. And, on a second sheet of paper, list the reminders of things to be done before the big day.

This way, going through each item on the menu calls to mind some chore to be done in connection with it—such as "have carving knife sharpened" because the man of the house threatened after Thanksgiving

Shelled walnuts are packed in many sizes of cellophane bags. Keep in mind that a cup of walnuts weighs 4 ounces. When you buy a large quantity of shelled walnuts, store them in the refrigerator or freezer.

Not to carve the turkey again until there was a "decent" knife in the house.

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