

Packing, Wrapping Packages Important For Mailing Gifts

If you want that Christmas package to arrive at its destination—and all in one piece—pack and wrap it well. Use a double-faced corrugated cardboard, not a shoe or other thin cardboard, box. Leave at least two inches between the merchandise and

the container and pack it with crumpled newspaper or other material to absorb shock. Wrap the outside with heavy plain wrapping paper and tie with strong cord. If the package is sealed, it must contain the notation that it can be opened for postal inspection.

Extra Assurance
For extra assurance, purchase low rate postal insurance on every package. Also, insert a small piece of paper with the recipient's address as well as your own. If the outside is damaged, your package may still be delivered.

Fragile items should be packed individually with some absorbent material, especially if they could leak. Most anything can be sent through the mail except liquor, firearms, explosives, inflammable materials and obscene articles. Don't forget that there are new postal rates now.

Three Cents
Any package weighing less than one pound goes at three cents for the first two ounces and one half cents for each additional ounce.

There is a 20-pound limit on parcel post sent between first class post offices. Packages cannot exceed 72 inches in combined length and girth. Packages sent between other than first class post offices can weigh up to 70 pounds and can be as large as 100 inches in combined length and girth.

If in doubt about whether you are sending from and to a first class post office, or about any other postal requirements, be sure to check with postal authorities.

Deadlines Set
To help decide when to mail your packages, deadlines have been set up for various parts of the country and are displayed in the post office. Should you miss a deadline use air parcel post and special delivery.

The postal service does everything possible to see that your packages arrive in good shape on time . . . but you must do your part, too.

Carols Express Joy, Solemnity At Christmas

What would Christmas be without carols? How well they express both the joy and solemnity of Christmastide, when even the least musical among us is awakened to the spirit of the season through traditional songs.

"And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the Highest . . .'"

Beginning with this "first carol," as the years went by, each people and each nation contributed to the music of Christmas.

Traditional folk songs were set to music and passed by word of mouth from one generation to the next.

Other carols were the work of great writers and composers who found inspiration for their creative genius in the always-new story of Christmas.

Musicians such as Felix Mendelssohn, Friedrich Handel, and Franz Gruber composed some of our best known carols, while Martin Luther, Charles Wesley, Isaac Watts and Phillips Brooks are listed among the more famous of the lyric writers.

Carols are usually either religious or convivial. The religious carols are often included in church services, and hail the birth of the Holy Child. The convivial exalt the fun and festivities of the season.

Just about the best known and best loved Christmas Carol, "Silent Night" is comparatively recent, having been composed in the early 19th Century by Franz Gruber and Fr. Joseph Mohr in Arnsdorf, Austria.

Popular Diamond Cuts Reviewed for Holidays

If this Christmas you are going to buy a diamond ring for a "special some one," this brief review of the more popular diamond shapes and cuts used in ring design should be of interest to you.

You may already know that one of the most popular of all cuts of diamonds, often chosen for engagement rings, is the brilliant cut. The fiery lights of the diamond are enhanced by 58 tiny planes, or facets, cut on a perfectly

round stone. Unlike a brilliant cut which is always the same shape, emerald cuts come in a variety of shapes. Usually they are oblong, but some are long oblongs and others are almost square. It is so named because the diamond is actually cut and faceted in the same way as are emeralds.

The marquise is another popular cut of diamond and, as a matter of fact, is one of the most popular diamond cuts which it is cut.

that is growing in popularity, along with the heart-shaped diamond.

The marquise is boat-shaped and, like the brilliant cut, also has 58 facets. The proportion of the boat-shape depends upon the shape of the rough diamond from which it is cut.

cut with 58 facets and are in the exact shape of a Valentine heart, with a notched top.

The baguette is frequently used to flank larger stones in rings. This is an oblong stone with 25 facets and sometimes is tapered at one end to fit the curve of the shank of the ring.

Forest Grove Women won't sing in competition at the annual Barber Shop quartet contests here Feb. 27-28. The women's division is being dropped for economic reasons.

If you want to give him something very stylish to wear, try the white bulky knit, with color trim. This is a big season for white in sweaters.



LOWBACK—"Flashback" interest is so important to the holiday's low-back party fashions. And here is a brilliant combination . . . a rich multi-strand pearl necklace paired with a glittering pin worn low on the back neckline. Long earrings and pearl bracelets, one on each wrist, accent.

29 Million Amateur Musicians to Usher In Holiday Season

Keeping in tune with the Christmas spirit is an easy matter this year for some 29,000,000 American amateur musicians.

They'll usher in the holiday season with every instrument from the humble harmonica to the concert grand piano.

According to the American Music conference, more children and adults are playing as well as singing Christmas carols than ever before. In fact, many amateurs greet the holiday season with more than one instrument.

Popular Instrument
Most popular single instrument for the center of family caroling sessions is the piano, says AMC. Approximately 20,500,000 homespun pianists will furnish the lead for such old favorites as "Silent Night" and "O, Come All Ye Faithful."

Adding to the swell of instrumental Christmas music are more than 3,000,000 violins and other strings. Approximately 4,500,000 guitarists will chord carol accompaniment.

Almost 500,000 harmonicas, 1,500,000 accordions and 1,600,000 ukuleles - popular recreational instruments in any season - will once again provide holiday harmony.

Special Groups
A host of the nation's school children - youngsters who make up the bulk of the 4,625,000 brass and woodwind players - comprise special instrumental caroling groups. These brass choirs and woodwind ensembles make presentations at regular school pro-

grams and in house-to-house tours.

Primary benefits of this wealth of musical activity at Christmas time, says AMC, is worthwhile recognition for the youngsters, creative use of holiday leisure time for adults and closer family ties built by bringing both children and parents into joint participation.

Bracelet Makes Good Present Now

A bracelet of a simple link chain and a single charm makes a gift that will grow with significance and sentimental value as the years go on and on, incidentally, which will provide you with plenty of gift ideas for the future.

Fill her bracelet with a series of symbolic charms, or with a collection of one kind of charm, or with charms to complement her interests and activities - a chain of miniature dogs, for instance, or a fleet of tiny boats, a golf bag, a dressmaker's dummy, a diminutive typewriter with keys that push down, or a tiny heart set with a ruby, or one of many, many more.

Bracelet charms are available in sterling silver as well as in karat gold. Some are set with tiny pearls, diamonds or colored stones. For every occasion that you want a charm, you'll find several from which to choose at your jeweler's.



GIFT FOR LEISURE—Every Christmas eve will feel joyously gifted when she's presented with the heavenly luxury of leisure pajamas in gaily printed, softly quilted Chemstrand nylon. Feminine, flattering—these pajamas will look glamorous and new-looking even after countless washings.

Gardening Tools Make Good Gifts

Nothing could be more appreciated by the gardening enthusiast than a gift that reminds - spring is coming!

Anything from a package of seeds to a power tool, such as electric hedge clippers, is sure to make a hit.

But, the indoor gardening gift is one any gardener can enjoy right now . . . so it should be included as a part of the outdoor gift:

A gift-wrapped azalea, laden with buds, will decorate a home all during the holidays. Choose one in white, rose or Christmas red. Next May, the gardener can plant it outside to be enjoyed for a long time.

Or, why not fill a gardening basket with small but very useful items, such as insecticides, soil, food, stakes, pots, and a gardening book!

Remember, the pleasure from a gardening gift grows year after year!

Jewelry Plays Role In Holiday Giving

Ideal matchmates for the big bulky knit sweaters are classic or jeweled bar pins, worn in pairs parallel to each other or in a staggered design. Bright pin dazlers also appear on the head, either fastened to a velvet hairband or worn in the hair itself.

Pins go glamorous for evening as pearl, crystal or brilliant pins appear at the bottom of low-cut evening dress V-backline.

Whatever her taste in clothes, you'll find a fashion pin to match it, for an excellent Christmas morning surprise.



BUSINESS "SUITS"—A brief case for the businessman is a professional accessory, to be chosen with an eye to his work habits. Among types most favored are the slim envelope with tuck-lock flap; the continental attache case (rear) and the underarm zipper case with handles which disappear. In leather or vinyl coverings.

In Holiday Season Fashion Pinpointed

Fashion is literally "pinpointed" this holiday season as new dressed clothes call for rich jeweled accents of pins in new and different places, the Fashion Coordination Institute reports!

Big new pins dripping with jewels score a bright fashion note worn smack in the bodice center of the new high-rising bustlines, while some pins pair off in two's and three's on sleeve cuffs, collars or at low-cut back lines!

Don't Miss The—
CHRISTMAS TREASURE HUNT
and Opening **FRIDAY NIGHT** In Medford!

Jorgensen's join with Medford Merchants in inviting YOU to take part in the big Treasure Hunt and Opening from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Santa Claus will be there in PERSON to greet the children . . . Medford High and Junior High Bands will be featured . . . brilliant Christmas window displays unveiled!

SANTA-IN PERSON!

for a Joyous Christmas Season ENJOY—
Jorgensen's
fiesta
ICE CREAM

Christmas season is PARTY TIME . . . and that means you'll want to serve your family and your guests the luscious ice cream that makes EVERY occasion a festive one - Jorgensen's FIESTA! Fortified with that wonderful nutrient—NUTRIMIX—to make it even more tasty and good, this palate-pleasing ice cream comes in YOUR favorite flavor. Make it a MERRY CHRISTMAS SEASON - Make it a FIESTA Christmas!

TOPS IN TASTE!

At Your Favorite Fountain or Grocer!
● Ask for the bright colorful cartons of FIESTA just right to pack into your refrigerator. Keep it on hand for every time you want a refreshing snack or when holiday guests arrive.

THERE IS A SANTA—

When You Come To . . .
DEMPSTER'S
FOR HOME GIFTS!

Santa has us chuck full of gifts that make home smarter, more comfortable or convenient for someone in the family, whether it be Mom, Pop, or offspring! Gifts that really please because they're dreams come true — at prices that'll please you because they're amazingly moderate! Come in and shop now!

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