



Model Building One of Largest Hobbies; Big Choice Available

There are very few folks, young or old, who don't thrill to the excitement of "seeing something take shape" under their very fingers. For that reason, model building is one of the country's leading hobbies with youngsters, oldsters, and in-betweeners.

According to a survey made by National Family Opinion, Toledo, Ohio—there are over 23-million model builder hobbyists in the United States.

This includes 90 per cent of the nation's boys between the ages of 8 to 15; and nearly 26 per cent of the male adults over the age of 21.

It has also been determined that the hobby of model building is far and away the leading indoor leisure time activity of the young set.

In Education

Model kits today are also being used quite extensively in education. There's so much "knowledge" wrapped up in every kit package.

For example, the Revell company, Venice, California, the nation's leading manufacturer and developer of authentic model kits, makes available a wide variety of ready-to-assemble missiles and rockets that include such famous names as the "Snark," "Thor"

and "Jupiter."

Every motor-minded boy or man will enjoy assembling the fully detailed 16-inch Revell scale model kit of an actual Allison prop-jet aircraft engine. Just imagine, approximately \$150,000 was spent in the development of this kit which is available in both manually-operated styles and motorized versions.

Antique Cars

Collectors of antique cars can learn 60 years of automotive history while having great fun assembling such highway pioneers as the 1913 Maxwell and the 1917 Model "T" Ford.

There's realism too, in the

many racing cars, modern passenger cars and sport cars model kits.

Aircraft enthusiasts will find unlimited variety and fun in the prop, jet, helicopter and turbo-prop model miniatures available.

In addition, Revell features many, many model kits that reproduce antique planes, old-time sailing vessels plus an entire fleet of heroic and exciting modern ships, and many others.

History in Ships

There's history too, in every bit of "shop's timber" of the famous "H.M.S. Bounty," "Columbus," "Santa Maria" and "Old Ironsides," to name but a few of the exciting old timers.

Make a note to see the authentically-reproduced "Westinghouse Atomic Power Plant" . . . moon ships, space stations, lunar landing crafts and other new-as-tomorrow model kits of topical interest to active minds and eager hands.

It may be a good idea to start your shopping for those "difficult gifts" in the hobby shop. Dollars to donuts, you'll probably take home a kit to try yourself if you are or are not already in the ranks of the model builders.



PARTY FROCK—Gay balloons float on this sheer party frock with pretty lace-trimmed neck and puffed-out sleeves. It's designed for her very special holiday parties. By Arlene Aires.

Desirable Fashion Gift This Holiday Is Leather Boots

Looking for a highly desirable, high fashion gift for high spirited girls this Christmas? Then give a pair of high-stepping leather boots, suggests the Shoe Fashion Service of Leather Industries of America.

In brilliant shades an unusual texture of supple leather, boots make a practical as well as handsome gift. They run the gamut from boot-shoes, high only in the front to calf-height Russian-style boots.

There are dress boots elegant enough to team with lavish furs. Many are cuffed with mink and other luxury furs. Ankle-high boots in gloves-soft kid, calf or sleek suede comes in gold, silver and high key colors to brighten the holiday scene.

Contrasting Leathers

Contrasting leathers and colored leather linings on turned cuffs add color to neat suit boots. Many of these show colored fur or shearing cuffs as they keep ankles warm on chilly days.

Following fashion's slim silhouette, new leather boot shoes show tapered toes and shapely heels. Low-heeled, tailored boots set off walking suits.

There's a large selection of new flat-heeled casual boots too, to complement her slacks or slim-legged tunic-dress pants.

On lightweight, pliable leather soles, leather boots will give her a solid dry footing on rainy streets. She'll think warmly of your gift and of you when her feet are warm and dry in smart leather boots that brighten nasty winter days.



FUR FASHION—Jaguar fur fashion news in this important "spotted" season. Here it is dramatically emphasized by this casual, yet elegant hip-length jacket. Below-the-elbow sleeves and a flattering collar which can be worn up or down, give the extra feeling of ease and chic to the lucky "gifted" gal. —By Fredrica Furs.

Hallmark Makes All Kinds of Party Items

For your holiday parties, you'll find new supplies and decoration—ranking all the way from paper cups and plates to guest towels, and hostess aprons—styled and designed by the makers of Hallmark Cards.

Comprising more than 300 separate items, the new party kits are planned to provide a suitable decor for home entertainment for children and adults on virtually every known informal party occasion.

More than 30 coordinated sets have been provided, including seven that are designed for children's parties. The latter include not only the usual invitations, place mats, cups, plates, napkins, table cover, centerpiece and nut cups, but also party favors, hats or aprons and special decorations.

Party Sets

The adult party sets go so far as to include coordinated

Wreath Making Can Be Simple, Fun

It's fun and easy to make your own Della Robbia wreath. You can buy evergreen roping in the length you desire. Form a circle with it. Then with wire attach fruit and nuts that have been dipped in white shellac.

Good to use are crab apples, Seckel pears, lemons, tangerines, kumquats, grapes and cranberries. Wash the fruit before you shellac them.

New Hosiery Has Sparkle in Dark

She shall have sparkle wherever she goes—from above the knees to her twinkling toes—in fashion's spectacular new inspiration for after-dark enchantment in hosiery.

Destined to be the prime watchword on the festive holiday scene is a glittering gold and silver seamless stocking of sparkling nylon from top to toe in sandalfoot styles.

The subtle glint of this new kind of glamor stocking complements the new glitter shoes and blends seductively with the opalescent brocades that highlight the most elegant holiday fashions.

Best of all, the "precious metal" look will not wash out.

Floral Gift Adds Personal Touch

Gifts of flowers, plants and decorative greens are always expressive of the Christmas spirit and no matter what other gifts may be given and received, a floral gift adds a warm and most personal extra touch.

Christmas would not be Christmas without the traditional wreath, fir, holly, evergreen, cedar leaves, ivy and mistletoe in and around the home.

This holiday season choose an unusual outdoor wreath for your home, or as a gift for someone else.

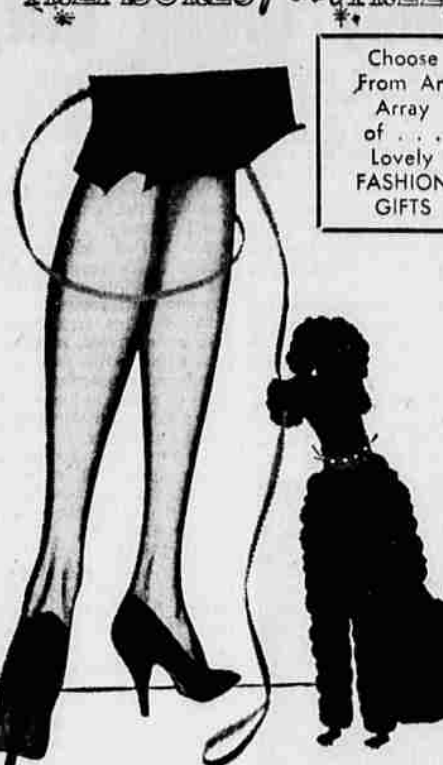
Florists have on hand a large supply of ready-made Christmas corsages of holly berries and sparkling, lovely ornaments all ready to give as extra gifts.

Daintily inexpensive corsages can be purchased and stocked at home to pin on your holiday guests. They'll be flattered by your thoughtfulness!

Men might note that no matter what other gifts a woman receives, she'll always welcome a gift of flowers!

Here's an interesting idea for decorating your home this year—fill it with Christmas trees! Have one fresh-cut tree, the traditional one, but then decorate your mantel and tables with artificial trees which you can either make or buy. The effect is lovely.

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