

### 'What to Give' People Presents Problem of Gifts

It's wonderful, but very unusual, when there is no one on your Christmas gift list who presents a problem of "what to give."

Quite often it is the "senior citizen" who is most difficult to buy for — but it needn't be so.

Gifts that "look ahead" are always appreciated... gifts such as a subscription to a magazine or book club, or a roll of postage stamps in a pretty container.

Two types of gifts to avoid for this age group are (1) any gift that points to the fact they are old or have a disability... such as a cane, shawl, smelling salts, etc. And, (2) any gift that shows you think they are lonely... such as one fancy cup and saucer (always give two), or for that matter one of anything where most people would be given at least two!

#### Second Problem

Second problem group is often the teenager... too old for toys, too young for many grown-up gifts. But, if you select something in the way of a "fad" gift, you can't go wrong. The best idea is to check through several current issues of one or more of the "young set" magazines.

One of the most satisfactory ways to do your Christmas shopping, no matter who you are shopping for, is to plan on paper first. List about three possible gift ideas for each person, unless you are certain of what you want to buy, and that you will be able to find it for the price you want to pay.

Lastly, carry along a list of clothing sizes when you go shopping. The best memory can sometimes fail in the midst of the hustle and bustle of shopping.

### Holy Thorn Trees Bloom in Dec.

An unusual Christmas phenomenon, of which a great many people have not heard, may be witnessed in the Cathedral of the Close in Washington, D.C. or in Glastonbury, Somerset, England.

In both places may be seen a tree, called the Holy Thorn, which blooms faithfully in the ancient English town every Dec. 25. The tree in Washington, an offshoot is not quite so reliable, always blooms in December however.

Legend tells the story of the Holy Thorn thus: two days before Christmas, sixty-three years after the birth of Christ, St. Joseph of Arimathea arrived outside Glastonbury. He carried with him the Holy Grail, the chalice used at the Last Supper. He and his followers were fleeing from Palestine, looking for a place to settle.

As St. Joseph came toward Glastonbury, he stopped to rest on a hill overlooking the town. He drove his staff into the ground and it took root right then. The next day, Christmas Eve, it had become a thorn tree and was covered with blossoms.

### Tree Cutting Said Good for Forests

Some people think the cutting and selling of trees and evergreens at Christmas is a wasteful practice. Forestry experts, however, disagree.

Sales of Christmas trees put millions of extra dollars into circulation each year, and do not deplete our natural forests. Most of these trees are grown on farms especially for the seasonal purpose.

The others are trees which have been thinned out of logging stands. Their growth there takes up space that the larger trees need. And, these small trees would probably be eliminated in the struggle for earth and breathing space anyway.

The biggest selling tree for Christmas is the balsam fir, which comes from New England and the Northeastern United States.

Douglas fir is the second choice, followed by spruces (the black, cedar and white).

Combined, these five trees constitute about two-thirds of all sales. The other popular trees are Scotch pine, Southern pine, red spruce, Virginia pine, white fir, Norway spruce, hemlock, cypress and juniper.

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