

Todays Women

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Dorothy Simmons remembers Christmas at grandmother's house, the jingle of sleigh bells in the snow, the garlands of pine and holly in the great Victorian hall, the spicy odors of mince pies and fruit cake from the old-fashioned ovens, flames leaping in the old fireplace and, best of all, the wonderland of Christmas morning, with toys and packages piled high around the glittering Christmas tree.

All of these happy memories of the childhood wonder of Christmas she puts into her Christmas cards, which sell by the millions throughout the nation.

And that may be the reason that Dorothy Simmons is considered one of the foremost greeting card artists in the world today.

This dainty, sophisticated-looking little woman, with prematurely white hair and exquisite clothes, lives in an apartment in the heart of Manhattan, overlooking the East River and the glittering shops of 57th Street. She was born and raised in New York City, but the Christmas holidays of her childhood were spent at her grandmother's old-fashioned home in a tiny village in the Pocono Mountains. She says:

"I can close my eyes and see the sleigh and horses waiting at the little station, feel again the excitement of the jingling ride through the snow, see the lights in the old house as we drew near and hear the laughter in my grandmother's voice as she welcomed her family home."

Dorothy Simmons' most popular Christmas cards are her madonnas, which seem to have a special radiance. She says:

"I always read the Bible story of the birth of Christ before I start to paint a madonna card. I remember that the madonna was very young, and that she loved her baby."

The trend in Christmas cards today is toward the old-fashioned card with real Christmas sentiment, says Dorothy. She adds: "The era of the flippant angel is out. Nowadays people seem to want cards that express the traditional feeling of Christmas. At first my cards used to be purely decorative and sophisticated. Now I try to combine old-fashioned sentiment with a modern treatment. And my cards always say 'Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.'"

The best-sellers, year after year, are the madonna cards, says the artist. She started painting them years ago for her personal use, then did a few for friends, soon found herself in business.

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Four-H News

HENLEY A-1 SEWING

The third meeting was held at Henley High School. The first thing to be done was name it the Busy Hornet Sewers.

The club drew names for Christmas. Then the leader read a story from the Just So Girl on neatness of clothes. The club played a game called balancing books.

Sandra Roberts

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Home Extension News

CHLOQUIN

Darlene Wolff
Mrs. Walter Zimmerman was hostess Dec. 4 when the Chloquin, Modoc Point, Klamath Agency unit of home extension met for its December meeting. Women attending learned how to make etched aluminum trays or bowls under Mrs. Zimmerman's and Mrs. Paul Herron's direction. The group met again Friday to finish the projects. A few made the small six inch size which the leaders made at their demonstration meeting in Klamath Falls, and others made them as large as 15 inches.

Two members of the unit were absent Thursday as they had to attend a meeting in Klamath Falls.

where they studied a future extension project, which they will lead for the local unit later this winter.

The November meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gerry Wolff, led the demonstration on repair of underspring cushions. Many women had the idea that it was a man's job, one of intricate use of heavy string or rope to tie the springs together. At this time they learned it was an entirely different type of work, combining a use of measuring, sewing simple untied seams on a machine, and battling of wits against a spring which hates to lie flat.

An old cushion was ripped apart, springs removed from old casings and straightened. Muslin was meas-

ured for rows of pockets, into each of which were later pinned the springs. A final stitching, the pins removed and the work of sewing the rows of springs in their pockets is done with an upholstery needle, cotton stuffed in the gaps, and the whole unit recovered with cotton batting and the upholstery.

The January meeting will be on the subject of basic tools. If you are interested in learning to dress nails, set a screw or measure a board, plan to attend.



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