

For 'Record' Joy Give Them Music

CHRISTMAS MUSIC
 Carols—St. Luke's Choristers (Capitol)
 Amahl and the Night Visitors (RCA)
 Arthur Godfrey Christmas TV Show (Columbia)
 Boys' Town Choir Christmas Music (Capitol)
 Christmas Magic—Hugo Winterhalter (RCA)

CHILDREN'S RECORDS
 Bugs Bunny and Alladin's Lamp and Henry Hawk (Capitol)
 Bozo at the Circus (Capitol)
 Christmas Songs With Rosemary Clooney (Columbia)
 Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer—Bing Crosby (Decca)

POPULAR INSTRUMENTAL
 Current Pop Instruments (Columbia)

Pop Parade (MGM)
 Frankie Carle's Piano Party (Columbia)

Popular Favorites by Stan Kenton (Capitol)
 Glenn Miller Limited Edition Album (RCA)

POPULAR-VOCAL
 Dream Time—Martha Lou Harp (Columbia)
 Eartha Kitt (RCA)
 Dinah Shore Sings the Blues (RCA)

OLD FAVORITES
 Banjo Bonanza—Art Mooney (MGM)
 The Anthony Choir—Ray Anthony (Capitol)

Romance—Frank Parker & Marion Marlowe (Columbia)
 Black Coffee—Peggy Lee (Decca)

MUSICAL COMEDIES
 "Me and Juliet" (RCA)
 "Can-Can" (Capitol)
 "Guys and Dolls" (Decca)
 "South Pacific" (Columbia)

JAZZ
 Barrelhouse Jazz—Turk Murphy (Columbia)

Benny Goodman Plays Fletcher Henderson Arrangements (Columbia)

Fats Waller (RCA)
 Premiered by Ellington—Duke Ellington (Capitol)

SYMPHONIES
 Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 4 and Beethoven Symphony No. 8 (Columbia)

Elgar: Symphony No. 1 (RCA)
 Cherubini: Symphony in D (RCA)

OPERAS
 "I Pagliacci" and "Cavalleria Rusticana" (RCA)
 "Tosca" or "Patience"—D'Oyly Carte Co. (London)

"The Rakes Progress" (Columbia)
CONCERT ARTISTS

Eleanor Steber Sings Mozart Arias (Columbia)
 "Melba"—Patrice Munsel (RCA)
 "Inca Tiqui"—Yma Sumac (Capitol)

Young, Old Enjoy Fun on Wheels

Wheel away that child's gift problem.

According to a survey of retailers by the Bicycle Institute of America, 40 per cent of American bicycles purchased as gifts during the year are bought in the six weeks before Christmas.

Four and five-year-olds will need a 16-inch (wheel diameter) bike. Six and seven-year-olds take a 20-inch bike. Boys and girls from eight to ten will be comfortable on a 24-inch wheel, and those from 11 on up should have a 28-inch adult wheel. All American bicycles have adjustable seats so the bicycle can "grow" with the child, and be used for many years.

The younger children need not wait too long any more for their first bikes, because first-timers' bikes come with extra demountable "outrigger" wheels which keep them in balance until the youngsters learn how to handle themselves on a two-wheeler.

From the angle of safe operation, the most recent figures available from the National Safety Council indicate there has been a 50 per cent reduction in serious bicycle accidents during the past ten years. And this despite the fact that the number of bicycle owners increases each year, and at present numbers some 21 million persons in the United States.

Volumes of Fun In 'Do It' Books

Adults who've been dismayed by the speed with which 8-to-12-year-old children skim through a new book that's intended to insure hours of quiet behavior will have special interest in a new read-it-and-don't-value found in juvenile activity books. They feature colorful stamps to be pushed out and pasted at frequent intervals in the text.

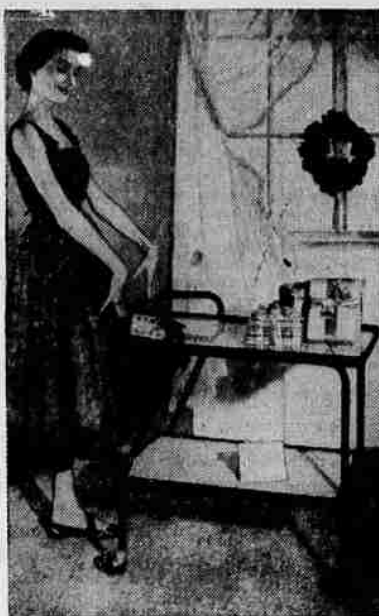
This play focus is found to insure much more careful reading and adds considerably to the time span of children's interest. "American Inventors," for example, by I. A. Lewis, dramatizes stories of famous American inventions, from the steam engine and the cotton gin of colonial times to the atom smasher and television set of today.

A book full of stamps of autos, illustrating the development of the horseless carriage, is another popular volume.



NEW NICHE in man's world for electric shavers: his lady's dressing room. A very personal gift, but a very useful one this Christmas.

Household Presents Please the Family



HEARTH AND HOME deserve their share of gifts, too, especially when it eases the load of home-making. At left is a streamlined serving cart that doubles as additional work table for any room. At right is a combination washer-dryer that can shorten Monday to 68 minutes.

Among the best gifts at Christmas are practical presents for the home — gifts that a family can share, and use for years to come.

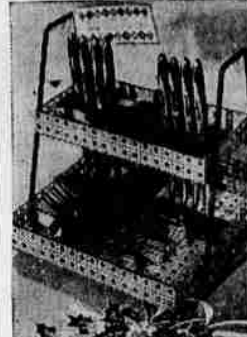
Every time the family uses the gift they'll feel "Christmas" all over again.

Everyone will benefit, for instance, from a new reclining easy chair. If you haven't been to your furniture dealers recently, you'll be amazed at recent improvements. The newest models, based on scientific principles, guarantee the best in relaxation and are sure to become the favorite spot in your living room.

Since the entire family has frequent clothes-mending needs, you can't go wrong with a modern electric sewing machine. The latest portable and cabinet models can do almost any type of stitch automatically. The new machines are very attractive, well designed and one type can even be installed as a kitchen unit in a gleaming pull-out cabinet.

Besides being so useful, this particular gift is economical in the long run. In many cases, with Mom or Sis learning to make their own clothes, it pays for itself in a year or less.

Also tailor-made as a Yuletide gift, as eating is a favorite household pastime, is a colorful serving cart. Useful, too, as a work table,



SELF-SERVICE or merely a carry-all for informal entertaining, this frame of detachable trays holds all the silver service you'll need at a party or buffet.

The cart is mounted on smooth-rolling casters and is stain, scratch and heat-resistant.

For year-round comfortable living, treat the family to that healthful room air conditioner that they dreamed about so much last summer. A novel and practical present, it ventilates, circulates and filters the air, with or without cooling and dehumidifying.

A family of music-lovers will spend many happy hours with a new three-speed phonograph. Some recent models feature high-fidelity units, and one model has a novel "moving light" arrangement that lets you see when the record isn't playing at its exact recorded pitch and tempo so you can make the necessary speed adjustments.

The family that includes school children will also appreciate a desk and matching chair. Well-worth seeing is a new styling in matched walnut woods, with double-size, partitioned bottom drawer and sturdy foam rubber chair seat.

Don't overlook extra foam rubber cushions and pads that add novelty to your gift-giving and comfort to your life.

Less expensive than these is a package of washcloths and towels that you can personalize by use of your sewing machine with the name of each family member. Or a practical electric home haircutting set — clippers, shears, comb and instruction book, all in a leather case — which will save countless barbering fees.

All in all, the number and variety of gifts for the home is tremendous. And the best way to find out exactly which ones will make your favorite people the happiest is to start right now to eavesdrop on family conversations.

Christmas Lore

Many of the customs observed at Christmas predate Christianity. They derive from pagan celebrations which attended the winter solstice, the time of year when about Dec. 22.

Early Christmas music, written and sung in Latin, was too solemn in character for popular use. In the 13th century St. Francis of Assisi is said to have influenced the rise of the Christmas carol written in the vernacular, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

Mistletoe was thought to have magic powers by the ancient Druids, and many a young man today believes the same at Christmas when he kisses his girl beneath the ancient symbolic plant.

An old tradition maintains that in the German Alps, the children have the gift of language at the time of the Nativity, because the words were present in the stable at Bethlehem on the first Christmas.

At one time in Ireland, candles lighted on Christmas Eve could only be snuffed by a woman who bore the name of Mary, as a mark of honor to the mother of the infant Jesus.

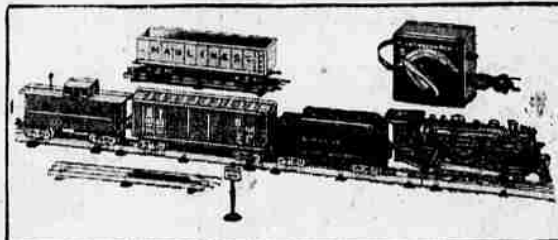
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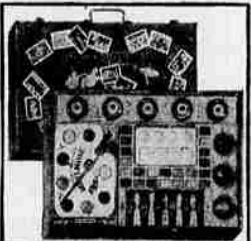
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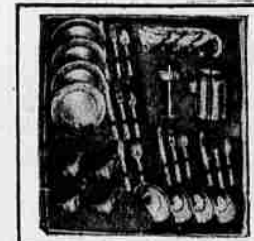
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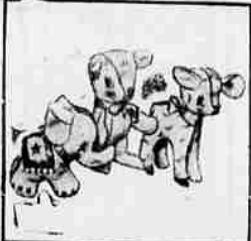
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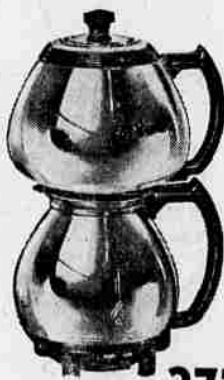
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