

# Hobby Or Craft Ideas Can Help Solve Gift List Problems

Whether it's Aunt Helen, Cousin Tom or Sister Sue, there's always someone on your holiday gift list who has every-

thing. What to give, especially if that someone with everything is extra special? Many are solving this peren-

nial problem with a gift they've made themselves from a hobby or craft kit. Time may have dulled the old saw about the feeling about the gift, but it's still true. What could show love and affection more than a gift you've spent hours creating?

Last Christmas, one 10-year-old boy scored a direct holiday hit by presenting his father with a model of the fighter plane he had flown in World War II. Looking through the family photo album, the lad discovered a picture of his dad climbing out of his pursuit ship after a mission. The hobby store had a model which was authentic from prop to tail. The only thing missing was the plane's pet name, "Belle," which the photo showed painted with a flourish midway between nose and cockpit. Junior fixed that.

And for the man who has served "alfoaf" what could be more appropriate than models of U.S. Navy fighting ships? Also available in model boats

and ship kits are sleek cruisers, motor boats and old-time sailing vessels.

Dad was thrilled on Christmas morning. Mother looked at the name on the plane and then looked at Dad. Her name was Margret. Everyone got a big laugh when "Belle" turned out to have been the name of Dad's favorite cow when he was a boy on the farm.

Model train kits — that all-time favorite — will be occupying a large number of hobbyists before Christmas. Last season, a grandparent spent a year making a model railroad, which rivaled in miniature the merger of the Pennsylvania and Grand Central. The whole "railroad empire" was shipped to grandson in time for Christmas.

Model auto builders will find a full line of styles and vintage in kit form. Giving someone a new car for Christmas needn't be expensive... not if you make it yourself. Practically anything that can be done to a "live" auto is being done in miniature. Road racing in miniature has come to the fore these past few years. With the sets now available a duplicate of the famed Indianapolis Races can be run on the living room floor.

Handicrafts are still a most popular general make-it-yourself gift. For the lady on your list who takes special pride in her home furnishings, there are sand or pebble pictures, tile ashtrays, candy dishes, serving trays and paint-by-number tearware pieces. Copper-enamel ear-

rings and cuff links, made from materials found in a wide variety of costume jewelry kits, are ideal gifts for fashion-minded friends and relatives.

Leather crafts offer hobbyists a great gift-making opportunity for the outdoor man on the list... quiver or arm guard if he's an archer, gun and map cases, belts, even a rugged woodsman's jacket.

Handicraft kits are not only easy and inexpensive, they also afford the maker a chance to display creative talents.

Giving gifts with a personal touch is nothing new to the American scene. In Colonial days and later on the frontier, isolated families exchanged Christmas presents which had been spun, sewn, woven, cut and carved right under the noses of the recipients.

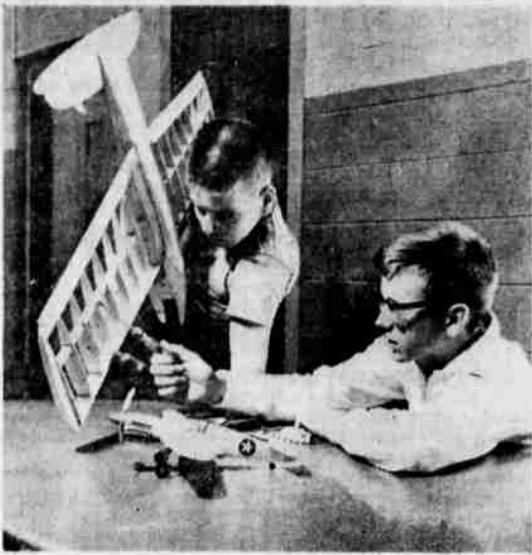
Even today, making a gift for members of the immediate family may pose security problems. But with a little imagination and a little cat-and-mouse maneuvering, you can pull it off. Besides, a little intrigue adds to the fun.



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By CLAY R. POLLAN  
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