

Toys Are For Children

Toys are designed to please the hearts of children, and they do. But all toys are not always completely safe for children of all ages.

eyes. Toy archery sets can also cause injury. If your child receives a missile-throwing toy for Christmas, for his own safety, and for the welfare of other children, set down rules for safe use and be sure they are enforced.

Candlemaking Among Oldest Professions

Candlemaking is one of the world's oldest professions. Anton Will, a German immigrant, was one of the first candlemakers in the United States. He made candles over a kitchen stove in Syracuse, New York, about 1855, founded a firm which now makes candles for the Vatican.

Another American firm in the likeness of Lillian Russell and also made the world's biggest wax lights, an 18-foot memorial candle lit once a year at singer Enrico Caruso's tomb in Italy.

Did you ever wonder how famous people celebrate Christmas? Eleven celebrities were queried on the subject. Each marked the day in some different way, there was a sameness in each instance. The quality of sameness that developed in each interview was "family."

Haley Mills' idea of the perfect way to celebrate Christmas is to be with her family. Other youngsters her age take this for granted. But not Haley. Her family's careers often demand they be separated and when, at her mother's instance, the family unites for the holiday it constitutes the perfect gift as far as Haley is concerned.

Walter Cronkite, CBS' outstanding newsmen, and his family spend the holiday together in their Manhattan home. Tradition for years with the Cronkites was a pageant-written, staged, cast, costumed and acted by the children. However, as they have become teenagers, their interest in amateur pageantry has waned.

Follow Rules For Safety

Modern outdoor Christmas lights, with lacquered or rubber-jacketed cord, make it safer than in years past. But lights and electrical shrubs around a house, but there are still some important guidelines. Never let the bulbs get too hot. Bulbs of 15 wattage are sufficient. Needles of pine, fir, spruce, yew, chamise and hemlock are sensitive to heat. Excessive heat could scorch them.

Have the sockets downward to keep out snow and water. And periodically check the position of the lights for winds may shift them.

All People Like Holidays At Home

When you shop for toys this year, avoid toys made of lead or colored with lead-based paints. Small children sometimes chew off the lead paint and swallow it, and serious illness could result.

Be careful, too, about small toys that can be swallowed. Flammable toys and toys with rough or sharp edges.

Electric toys are for older children—and be sure that these bear the UL (Underwriters Laboratory) label on the cord and the toy itself.

Misile-throwing toys, particularly air rifles and sling shots, are dangerous, particularly to the

It Happened On Christmas

Dec. 25, 1776—George Washington led his troops across the Delaware River to Trenton, N. J., for a surprise attack on the Hessians.

Dec. 25, 1818—"Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht" ("Silent Night, Holy Night")—composed the day before by Franz Gruber—was sung for the first time at Oberorf, Germany.

Dec. 25, 1821—Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, was born in Oxford, Mass.

Dec. 25, 1868—President Johnson proclaimed an unconditional pardon and amnesty to "all who

directly or indirectly participated in the late rebellion." (Civil War)

HELP RESEARCH SAVE LIVES



Fight TB and RD With Christmas Seals

Drawn By STEPHEN KIMBERLING
Compliments of GILL'S FURNITURE CO.

Merry Christmas

Drawn By JUNE SMALL
Compliments of William Dollins, Sheriff
Maurice Cameron, Deputy

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Drawn By LINDA CRONAN
Compliments of Dorsey Bros. & Fisher

Drawn By STEVEN MINTON
Compliments of The C. C. Cole Co.

Drawn By MIKE BOONE
Compliments of Standard Oil Co.
William B. Parker, Agent

Mathers-Sheaver

"Resolution Charades" Is Good Party Game

A New Year's party game might be "Resolution Charades," an adaptation of the old Chinese Custom of telling fortunes with bamboo sticks.

Pass a circular box (an oatmeal container) painted red and filled with straw, each containing a tightly rolled New

Year's resolution written on thin paper. Have at least as many straws as guests. Each player then draws a straw and acts out his resolution.

At the conclusion, he apologizes profusely for his miserable performance, while the others try to guess his resolution. You might award a fan of chopsticks for the best dramatization.

Season's Greetings

Frank Weaver's Grocery

Drawn By HENRY ALLEN MARSHALL
Compliments of J. Berry Burnaw
County Clerk

A Happy Christmas To One And All.

Sexton's Grocery

Christmas Greetings

The Nicholas County Health Department extends to you a Christmas greeting with their own version of an old, familiar poem.

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS
Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse,
When down through the chimney, an ugly fellow came,
Came the "spirit of fire", all covered with soot.

His eyes glowed like embers, his features were stern,
As he looked all around for something to burn,
What he saw made him grimble; his anger grew mightier,
For there wasn't a thing that would start a good fire.

No door had been blocked by the big Christmas tree.
It stood in the corner, leaving passage ways free.
The lights that glowed brightly for Betty and Bob,
Had been hung with precaution so none touched a limb.

All wiring was new not a break could be seen,
And wet sand at its base kept the tree nice and green.
The tree had been trimmed by a mother impatient
That the ornaments used should be fire-resistant.

And mother had known the things to avoid,
Like cotton and paper and plain celluloid,
Rock wool, metal icicles, and tins of glass
Gave life to the tree, it really had class!

And would you believe it? Right next to the tree,
Was a suitable box for holding debris,
A place to throw wrappings of paper and string,
From all of the gifts that Santa might bring.

The ugly galoat was so mad he could bust,
As he climbed up the chimney in utter disgust.
For the folks in this home had paid close attention
To all the rules of good "fire prevention".

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CHRISTMAS AND ITS CUSTOMS, By Christina Hole.

One of England's leading writers on folklore tells the whole fascinating story of Christmas the world over, from the beginning to the present day. The book includes a wealth of information about Christmas customs and traditions with answers to questions such as the following: Where did the Christmas tree originate? Who invented the Christmas card? How

many faces has Santa Claus? How long does the season properly last? When is Shrove Tuesday, Plow Sunday, Twelfth Night?

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD, ed. by Herbert H. Wernecke.

Celebrating Christmas is a varied collection, truly from the Land of the Midnight Sun to tropical areas of South America and Africa, the reader is led to see Christmas observances that are becoming increasingly significant in the lives of people. Includes accounts of the celebrating of Christmas at Annapolis and West Point and a Christmas Broadcast from the Trenches, 1959, by William L. White.

THE COMPLETE CHRISTMAS BOOK, ed. by Franklin Watts.

A Christmas manual on how to give, entertain, decorate and celebrate. Offers ideas on gifts to make, new ways to wrap them, handmade cards, recipes for old and new Christmas dishes, house and tree decorations to be made at home and Christmas music on record.

A Christmas Blessing
We pray that the holidays are joyful for you and yours.
Sim's Jewelry

A Little Yappin' BY NELLIE CRUMP

OH GOD, FORGIVE ME WHEN I WHINE!
Today on a bus, I saw a lovely maid with golden hair—she seemed so gay and wished I were so fair—
When suddenly she rose to leave, I saw her hobble down the aisle,
She had one foot, and wore a crutch, but as she passed a smile,
Oh God, forgive me when I whine, I have two feet—
The world is mine.

And when I stopped to buy some sweets,
I talked with him—he said to me, it's nice to talk to men like you,
You see, he said, I'm blind,
Oh God, forgive me when I whine, I have two eyes—
The world is mine.

Then walking down the street, I saw a child with eyes of blue,
He stood and watched the others play,
I stopped for a moment, then he said, why don't you join the others dear,
He looked ahead without a word, and then I knew he could not hear,
Oh God, forgive me when I whine, with ears to hear what I would know, the world is mine.

With feet to take me where I'd go,
With eyes to see the sunset glow,
With ears to hear, what I would know,
Oh God, forgive me when I whine,
I'm blessed indeed, the world is mine.
—Author Unknown.

Drawn By MARIE DORIS WILLIS
Compliments of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Campbell
Campbell Plumbing & Heating
Sales & Service, Carlisle, Ky.

Merry Christmas

Drawn By MARY BURDEN
Compliments of Coe Oil Service
Stewart Moore, Agent