

# HOUSEHOLD MEMOS

by Lynn Chambers



Home-made Presents Are a Pleasure to Receive (See Recipes Below)

### Presents From the Kitchen

Goodies of sugar and spice, quiv-ery, fruit-sweet jellies and citron and cherry flacked fruit cakes—all these make wonderful presents. Wrap them in gay Christmas wrappings and you'll have a gift that any one will be proud to receive.

A few days spent in the kitchen with a well-organized schedule will yield enough cookies, cakes and jellies to take care of any number of friends. They'll appreciate the thought and care you have taken in preparing something especially for them.

Many homemakers canned fruit juices last summer which they want to make into jelly now that they've saved enough sugar. A few jars of these colorful jellies will make excellent presents.

**Grape Jelly.**  
(Makes 11 6-ounce glasses)

4 cups grape juice  
3 1/2 cups sugar  
3 1/4 cups light corn syrup  
1/2 cup liquid pectin

Measure out the juice and place it in a large kettle with the sugar and syrup. Mix thoroughly. Bring to the boiling point and boil 3 1/2 minutes. Add liquid pectin, stirring constantly. Then bring again to a full rolling boil and boil hard 1/2 minute. Remove from heat, skim and pour into hot, sterile glasses. Paraffin at once.

**Apple and Orange Marmalade.**  
(Makes 10 6-ounce glasses)

1 lemon  
1 orange  
3 pounds tart apples  
3 1/2 cups sugar  
1/2 cup water  
3 cups corn syrup

Extract juice from lemon and orange and strain. Then grind the rinds of both fruits. Peel, core and slice apples 1/8 inch thick. Weigh out 2 pounds of the sliced apples, or measure out 2 quarts. Place juice and ground rind of lemon and orange together with sliced apples in a large kettle. Add sugar, water and syrup. Stir well, place over heat and bring to a boil. Simmer for 50 minutes, stirring frequently. Skim, pour into sterilized jars and seal immediately.

A tangy, well-flavored jelly is always handy to have with a roast or casserole. You will particularly like this one made with honey:

**Lemon Honey Jelly.**  
(Makes about 6 glasses)

1/2 cup lemon juice  
2 1/2 cups honey  
1/2 cup liquid fruit pectin

Combine lemon juice and honey. Bring to a full rolling boil. Add pectin, stir vigorously and boil about 2 minutes. Pour into hot, sterile glasses. Cover with paraffin to seal.

Conserves and fruit butter will give nice variety to the home-packed gift. In both of the following recipes, slow cooking is recommended to allow the mixtures to reach a thickened consistency:

**Baked Apple Butter.**  
(Makes 12 6-ounce glasses)

4 quarts quartered apples  
3 cups water

**LYNN CHAMBERS' MENUS**

Scalloped Spaghetti with Chicken  
Peach Nut Salad  
Brussels Sprouts  
Orange Bread Beverage  
Applesauce Cake

# Star Dust

STAGE SCREEN RADIO  
Released by Western Newspaper Union.  
By VIRGINIA VALE

IT SEEMS the report that Harpo Marx would speak in "Adventures in Casablanca" was false. According to late information, David L. Loew, who's producing the picture, has been offering Harpo more money, and



HARPO MARX

then still more, to say just one word. But Harpo feels that the reputation he's built up by remaining silent would be ruined if he gave in. The price finally reached \$50,000 (still according to the press agent's story) for one six-letter word, or \$9,166.67 per letter. The word? "Murder."

Twentieth Century-Fox has the material for quite a picture in the autobiography of Sol Hurok, which they bought recently. Mr. Hurok as one of our foremost concert managers has known scores of famous people; it should be easy to dramatize many of the incidents he tells. Chaliapin, Pavlova, Isadora Duncan—there'll probably be the usual to-do in Hollywood about who'll portray them.

Olivia de Havilland has discovered that work agrees with her. Against doctor's orders, she began Paramount's "To Each His Own"; she was underweight and tired, and as the result of a recurrence of a fever she'd caught while in the South Pacific. The doctor advised rest and quiet; Olivia didn't agree. And she was right; she stepped on the scales recently and found she'd gained 15 pounds.

After hearing about so many screen folk who've been "discovered" at parties, working in drug stores, etc., it's a change, at least, to hear that Count Frederick Leduc, playing a Nazi officer in "Notorious," was spotted by Alfred Hitchcock while playing polo.

It's good news that the "Harvest of Stars" radio show is all set for next summer. Raymond Massey continues as narrator, and Howard Barlow as conductor. The high standard of guest stars will be maintained; that means they'll be the best obtainable.

Leo Pape, the author of the comic strip, "Little Benny," has been engaged by Walt Disney to work on a story. Carl Carmer's writing one for Disney that unites four American folklore tales, and Aldous Huxley is preparing a Disney "Alice in Wonderland."

William S. Paley, president of CBS, was awarded the Legion of Merit by Brig. Gen. Robert McClure. He supervised radio broadcasting activities in North Africa and Italy, then became chief of radio at supreme headquarters in London, and was transferred from OWI to the army last March as deputy chief, psychological warfare division and information control division.

Harry Conover's debut as a movie actor in Republic's forthcoming super-musical, "Conover Girl," is a case of the master following his pupils, his model agency has produced a number of girls who've gone on to movie careers, including Jinx Falkenberg, Georgia Carroll and Anita Colby. During their model training he used to give them instructions; now they're ready to turn the tables on him.

"Justice Comes to Germany" is the title of the new March of Time; in pictures taken in the courtroom, it shows the trial of Frank Strasser, accused of murdering a U. S. airman who was a prisoner of war. It shows the fair workings of the U. S. military tribunal, and for sheer drama cannot be outdone. It is especially interesting and important now that the German leaders are being tried.

**ODDS AND ENDS**—Jean Acker, first wife of Rudolph Valentino, has been signed by RKO for a big role in "Lady Luck." . . . Teasie McCarthy, featured in the corps of skaters in "Suspense," is the girl who taught the Dionne quintuplets how to skate. . . . Fibber McGee and Molly still lead the Hooperatings for evening radio shows. . . . Ginny Simms is going Mohammed one better when it comes to mountains; the entire crest is being sheared off a small mountain so that the home she and her husband are building can stand there. . . . Diana Lynn gets fashion ideas from the movies; she copied a dress Dorothy Lamour wore in "Masquerade in Mexico."

## How Christmas Is Celebrated In Peacetime

### Most Countries Will Honor Day With Their Local Yule Pageants.

Christmas is Christmas from one corner of the earth to the other. This year the day means something special, a period of thanksgiving for the end of a long bitter struggle. While most nations will celebrate the day in reverence to Christ, the customs vary in different countries and different regions.

#### RELIGIOUS PARADE



For eight evenings before Christmas, there is a religious procession held in Mexico at the head of which the figures of Joseph and Mary are borne. A lighted taper is carried by each member of the group, and they go about the streets singing Christmas songs. Admittance to a home is sought every night. On the ninth evening they are admitted and a religious ceremony conducted about the straw-filled manger of the Christ Child.

#### 'CRAZY COW' FIESTA



For weeks prior to Christmas, the children of Colombia thrill to the painstaking preparations for a glorious fireworks celebration. "Vacas Locas," — "Crazy Cow," is the fireworks on the Christmas fiestas in each village square, when men don fireproof garments and crawl into the wooden framework of a cow loaded down with sizzling firecrackers and glittering Roman candles.

#### PARADE OF MASKS



In the regions of Unrasch, Switzerland, young people go from house to house wearing masks and elaborate headresses, representing houses, ships and biblical scenes. Enormous cowbells are worn on a leather harness. These merry-makers dance and yodel until they are thrown a few coins.

#### POLISH WIGILIA

The Polish Wigilia, or Christmas feast, symbolizes "The Last Supper," and is the feature of their Christmas celebration. Twelve types of dishes, prepared in their individual style, are served only once a year and at this time. After the feast, the lights are put out and bowls of nuts, raisins and fruits and Christmas cakes and candies are passed around and eaten by the tree in the flicker of the candles.

#### SAINT SINTER KLAAS

The boys and girls in Holland look upon St. Nicholas as their very own and call the good Saint, Sinter Klaas. Sinter Klaas visits the children Christmas Eve to determine if they are worthy of presents. After Sinter Klaas leaves, each youngster places his wooden shoes before the fireplace. In them he puts hay and carrots for Sinter Klaas' great white horse, then he retires to spend a restless night.

## ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz  
The Questions

1. Is arsenic a metal, salt or plant?
2. Is the governor of Alaska appointed or elected?
3. Does a nickel or a cent contain its market value in metal?
4. The largest number of Indian tribes are found in what state?
5. How many colors are visible in the rainbow?
6. Why are stenographers among the highest paid workers in Russia?

#### The Answers

1. A silvery, brittle metal.
2. Appointed.
3. No.
4. Oklahoma.
5. Seven — violet, indigo, blue, green, yellow, orange and red.
6. They must know about 180 dialects that are spoken in the U. S. S. R.

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