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Merry Christmas from Betty Barclay

Here's a tip for harried mothers who find it difficult to get excited youngsters away from their gifts long enough for breakfast on Christmas morning. Instead of dragging the children away from their presents, serve tall glasses filled with Christmas punch from a tray in the living room.

The recipe goes like this: For each serving, beat one raw egg until thick and lemon colored, add one tablespoon sugar and a drop of mint extract, continue beating until sugar is dissolved. Pour into a very tall glass and add one cup canned unsweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice. Stir and serve at once with crisp, hot, buttered slices of whole wheat toast.

Then sit back and relax because, nutritionally speaking, one glass of Christmas punch is well-fortified with minerals, protein, and vitamins and makes a fine foundation for an active day. Canned unsweetened Hawaiian pineapple juice is a good source of vitamins B₁ and C, and an egg supplies protein, minerals, and vitamins A, B₁, and B₂.

You can take time out to open Christmas gifts with the family, even if you're chief cook. If you take advantage of quick-frozen foods, for they're ready to cook or serve just as they come from their cartons.

Peas and Carrots
Drop 1 box (12 ounces) quick-frozen peas and carrots into 3/4 cup water. Boil 5 minutes. Drain, bring again to a boil, and boil 5 to 7 minutes until just tender. Drain if necessary. Season with butter, salt, and pepper. Serves 4. (Use any liquid left after cooking in sauces, soups, or for other suitable dishes.)

Serving suggestions: Quick-frozen peas and carrots may be served with butter or cream, or with a cream sauce; or they may be served in creamed dishes with eggs, mushrooms, or chicken, or combined with other vegetables and with meat, fish, and eggs in salads.

Orange Cranberry Relish Salad
2 oranges
1 lemon
3 apples
1 pound (4 cups) fresh cranberries
3/4 cup sugar
Quarter unpeeled oranges, lemon

and apples, remove seeds and core and put through food chopper. Put cranberries through food chopper. Combine, add sugar and blend. Let stand a few hours. Use as a relish with meats, hot or cold.

Lima Manhattan
2 cups cooked, dried Lima
1 medium onion, sliced
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon paprika
1/4 teaspoon mustard
1 cup dried apricots
1 cup milk

Mix ingredients in order given and turn into a buttered dish and bake 1 hour in a moderate oven (350° F.).

All American Cheese That Helps in Holiday Entertaining

Whether your holiday plans call for a party or not, you'll want to be prepared for informal entertaining. A stock of assorted dessert cheeses with "made-in-America" labels is a smart and thrifty way to guarantee effortless hospitality on a "help yourself" basis. No matter how many friends you drop in, in spite of the emergency, you'll find an abundant stock of Camembert, Swiss, Erie and Lieders cheese this season. This cheese has been recently perfected in this country to take the place of Brie—without the price tag. It's a real find. Spreads include a Brie cheese as well as sharp American, Limburger, pineapple, pimento and relish.

If you serve a decaffeinated coffee every day at your Christmas celebration, you'll find a new favorite. Here's one combining coffee and chocolate flavors.

Party Mocha
3 cups hot chocolate
1 cup strong decaffeinated coffee
1/2 cup whipped cream
1/2 cup chocolate shavings

Combine chocolate and coffee and mix well. Top each cup with whipped cream. Sprinkle with chocolate shavings. Refrigerate for 15 minutes before serving. Serves 4.

These Magic Cookies
Please Boys at Camp
Even a belle who has never cooked

before can be sure of scoring a hit if she uses these recipes for crisp, crunchy cookies made by a magically failure-proof recipe with sweetened condensed milk when she packs a gift box for boys in the service.

Magic Peanut Cookies
1 1/2 cups (15 oz. can) sweetened condensed milk
1 cup dried apricots
2 cups shelled peanuts
2 teaspoons lemon juice

Blend sweetened condensed milk and apricots which have been washed and put through food chopper. Fold in chopped peanuts and lemon juice. Drop by spoonfuls on buttered baking sheet. Bake in moderately slow oven (325° F.) 20 minutes or until brown. Remove from pan at once. Makes about 24.

Peppermint Rennet-Custard
1 pkg. raspberry rennet-powder
1 1/2 cups milk
1/4 pound peppermint stick candy
Crush candy into fine crumbs and stir stand in milk in refrigerator for one hour. Make the custard according to directions on the package. But out 4 or 5 dessert glasses. Put milk with the peppermint into a saucepan. Warm slowly, stirring constantly. Test a drop on inside of wrist frequently. When COMFORTABLY WARM (120° F.) not hot, remove at once from the heat. Stir contents of package into the milk until dissolved—not over one minute. Pour at once, while still liquid into individual dessert glasses. Do not move until firm—about 10 minutes. Chill. Serve in same glasses. When ready to serve garnish with chocolate sauce or whipped cream and sprinkle with crushed peppermint candies if desired.

Games that all the family can play are an essential part of Christmas holiday fun. A new favorite in Santa Claus' pack is Thumbs Up, the new V-match tile game. The object is to match tiles so that the code symbols V... are assembled in sequence. The first to accomplish this turns his thumb up. Another favorite family game is Dig, played with a "roll" of alphabet letters and miniature mine's picks. Monopoly, the real estate trading game, is a classic favorite that children can enjoy with their parents.

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Six Patients Enter Hospital

Six patients were received at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past week. They were: Lewis Carothers, Los Angeles, Dec. 21 for medical care; Mrs. Anna Davidson, Los Angeles, Dec. 19 for surgery; and Mrs. Edna Keim, San Pedro, Dec. 20 for surgery.

Satoru Okada, Redondo Beach, Dec. 19 for treatment of gunshot wounds in the back, received from unknown gunmen as he entered his home; Mrs. June Townsend, 2207 Andrea ave. Dec. 17 for medical care, and Mrs. Mary Whiting, 1719 Arlington ave. Dec. 22 for medical care.

Pigs get big faster and make better bacon if fed certain amounts of high protein feeds along with their corn or cereal rations.

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 - Ass't. HARD OR GAN. 29c
 - 90° CANDIES, lb. bag 25c
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Maritime Commission Wants Young Men; Offers Good Pay

The Torrance office of the California State Employment Bureau, located in the County Health Center, 2300 Carson st., is now equipped to furnish information and application blanks to young men interested in the free courses in seamanship and in radio telegraphy being offered by the United States Maritime Commission.

America Faces Fate of Athens, Professor Says

LOS ANGELES — Athens was destroyed because the great mass of her citizens let political control slip from their own hands into the hands of those who used it for selfish gain. America in 1941 faces the same threat to her democratic liberties. So thinks Dr. Gordon S. Watkins, professor of economics and dean of the College of Letters and Sciences on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

"The rapidly expanding functions of government in the United States, however necessary and legitimate they may be in the current national emergency, present a problem of vast proportion to those who cherish freedom of thought, expression and enterprise as a cornerstone of democratic freedom," he said. "If the willing sacrifice of freedom in times of national crises is a preface to the continued sacrifice of that freedom in normal times, the end of the democratic way of life is not far distant."

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