

Just for Women

Speaker Tells Local Group —

Pan-American 'Tables' Founded On Friendship

Knowledge, understanding and friendship are the cornerstones on which Pan American Round Tables rest, declared Mrs. Albert R. Davis, state director of the organizations, at the monthly meeting of the Bryan-College Station Round Table.

Introduced by Miss Sara Wiseman, Mrs. Davis told the members and numerous Latin-American guests present of the many Latin-American cities she visited last year.

She vividly described the modern architecture of Caracas, Venezuela; the magnificent view of Sugar Loaf Mountain in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; the sparkling cleanliness of Buenos Aires, Argentina; the miracle of a luxuriant vegetation wrested from the desert by irrigation in Lima, Peru; the contrasting beauty of old and new in San Salvador; and everywhere she went, the friendliness and hospitality of the people.

Miss Sadie Hatfield, director of the local Table, presided at the business meeting and greeted the members and their guests.

Dr. Silvio Navarro, program chairman, presented the new yearbooks, prepared by Mrs. Frank Gould, vice director.

A highlight of the program was a group of South American songs sung by Jose Luis Buentello from Mexico and Olive Barreler from Panama, who accompanied themselves on the guitar and maracas.

At the social hour following the program, coffee was served by Mrs. Navarro from a table gay with green pine boughs and red youpon berries. Serving cookies were other members of the committee—the Mesdames Frank Gould, John Ashton, Jose Pinero and J. S. Doane and the Misses Minnie Bell and Harriet Brigham.

The annual Christmas fiesta was announced for Dec. 6 at the St. Thomas Episcopal Parish House in College Station.

Put cheddar cheese, sweet pickles and pimentoes through the meat chopper; mix with mayonnaise and use for a delicious broiled open sandwich.

Christmas Joy Worth Work It Requires, Doctor Says

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AP Newsfeatures

Christmas is a lot of work, especially for the mother of a family, but it's an effort that pays high rewards in joy of living.

Not long ago I was picking up a quick lunch at a drugstore counter and an acquaintance of mine came along and had a cup of coffee with me. I made a few remarks about how difficult it was to practice medicine 12 hours a day and find time to decorate the house for Christmas, help the children with their gifts, to say nothing of getting and preparing my own gifts.

My acquaintance, who has two school-age children, said in a very smug tone of voice:

"In our house we have solved the problem of Christmas."

"Do tell me," I asked.

"We just do nothing," she said.

"Not even for the children?"

"Our children already have everything we can afford to get them. They don't need presents and we can't afford to buy them any."

There was little more to say but my heart went out to those two little girls who are growing up without the joy and excitement of Christmas, without the knowledge of what Christmas is all about.

Perhaps if they lived on a desert island where no one celebrated Christmas they might not know what they are missing; but living here, where all their friends were preparing for Christmas and living in happy anticipation of the big event, I knew they were cheated and I felt they probably were aware of it.

Christmas is not just a time of going out and spending a lot of money you can ill afford for presents. It is a time of letting your family and your friends know that you love them. It's a time when we pull aside the formal cloaks we hide in

most of the year. Because it's Christmas we feel free to express feelings that might embarrass us at other times to show.

The mechanics of Christmas are work and no getting around it, but the spirit behind it is one of the loveliest things in our civilization and many of us need this mass demonstration to help us throw off our inhibitions.

Help your children to appreciate the joy of giving as well as receiving. The preparation before Christmas can mean as much to the children as the big day itself.

Take time and plan with each child what his gifts are to be. Even quite young children understand that at Christmas time you do things for other people. A 3-year-old will be anxious to make a surprise for Daddy and on Christmas morning Alex is just as excited at watching Daddy unwrap the finger-painting he made for him as he is to find the big dump truck Daddy got for him.

As the children get older they make more elaborate gifts and may want to give more people presents. Help them with their execution, but don't take over the job and do it yourself and by all means don't go out and buy something for "Harry to give Dad." I have a piece of wood—plain—undecorated but sanded soft as satin. George, age 7 then, gave it to me at Christmas.

"It's to cut the lemons on, Aunt Dot, when you make us lemonade," he said. There have been a good many hundred lemons cut on that board.

Last Christmas our youngsters—older now with allowances and with money they earn, all got together and bought Dad a much-needed suitcase. It was expensive and there wasn't much left over for other presents. So there was a can of leather polish for me.

"We are giving you pride in your husband," the kids said. Laughter, joy, warmth, went with that long-thought-out and planned gift.

Social Whirl

Members of the Electrical Engineering Wives Club planning to attend the Christmas dinner may make their reservations now by calling Dorothy Mills, VI 6-6297, or Gardner Osborn, VI 6-6664.

Petroleum Engineering Wives will meet at 7:45 p.m. Monday in the YMCA. A Christmas wrapping demonstration will be presented by Mr. Ambrister. Hostesses will be Lujana Ritch and Ella Tom.

Norma Lumpkin won high individual game and high individual series in Friday night's play by the Aggie Wives Bowling League. The group meets the second and fourth Friday of each month in the Memorial Student Center. All Aggie wives are invited.

Freshman wives of the AVMA Auxiliary held their monthly meeting recently at the home of Laine Allbritton, who was assisted by Irene Allbritton. Plans were made for the AVMA Christmas party.

Pretty cake topping: shaved chocolate and grated orange rind sprinkled over a white frosting.

Hold On! What Was That Again?

In spite of what The Battalion says, you don't bake chess pie 30 hours.

Thursday's "Family Favorites," contributed by Jeannie Crist, contained this overwhelming statement, for which The Batt hangs its head.

The chess pie recipe, as submitted by Mrs. Crist, should have read:

Ingredients: 1 cup sugar, 3 well-beaten eggs, 1 tablespoon vinegar, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1/2 cup melted oleo.

Method: Add sugar slowly to beaten eggs. Add remaining ingredients, pour into unbaked pastry shell. Place in 450-degree oven for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 325 degrees and continue baking for an additional 30 minutes.

Whew! Hope it's right this time. One more "whopper" like that and we could get a complex.

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Short Short Story Reflects Modern Age, Speaker Says

In this modern push-button age, even our reading is becoming streamlined, Mrs. J. C. Culpepper told the Campus Study Club at its regular meeting last Tuesday afternoon.

Speaking on the "Short Short Story," Mrs. Culpepper traced the evolution of fiction from the novel to the novelette, from the novelette to the short story, and from the short story to the short short story, the contemporary of fiction types.

Mrs. Culpepper pointed out that like other stories, the short story has a beginning, middle and end, but it moves much more rapidly than lengthier fiction.

She concluded her program by reading two short short stories—"That Certain Flavor" by Lee Garrow and "McGarry Joins the Easter Parade" by Matt Taylor. She was introduced by Mrs. B. F. K. Mullins.

Preceding the program, the president, Mrs. Bardin H. Nelson, conducted the business meeting, initiated by the reading of the Collect by Mrs. Leo Ogg.

Reports were given by the following committee chairmen: Mrs. W. S. Allen, federation committee; Mrs. W. E. Street, hospital, welfare and mental health; Mrs. John Ashton, international relations, and Mrs. C. W. Crawford, program.

The club voted to send a representative to the Brazos County Council of Social Agencies, and the members were also urged to support the sale of Christmas Seals by the Tuberculosis Assn.

Following the program, coffee and cookies were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Price Hobgood, and Mrs. Leo Ogg. The refreshment table was draped with a brown cloth and centered with a dried arrangement in a brass container. The speaker's table was highlighted by an arrangement of Joseph's Coat and yaupon in a copper pitcher.

When you are flouring chops before browning them, pour the seasoned flour into a sturdy brown paper bag that's a good size. Now put the chops in the bag and twist its top to close tightly. Shake the chops and flour together well in the bag. Easy and quick!

Dead Sea Scrolls To Be Discussed



Rabbi Bernard Lavine

Rabbi Bernard Lavine, associate rabbi of Temple Beth Israel, the oldest Jewish Reformed Temple in Texas, will speak on the Dead Sea Scrolls before the meeting of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 7:15 p.m.

His talk will include discussion of the contents of the scrolls, their authorship, dates of composition, and significance of their contents.

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