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Decoration To Christmas Table

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A traditional decoration is evergreen boughs placed dramatically on the table. Miss Roth suggests grouping pine cones on the evergreen and perking the color scheme up with small red bows placed around on the boughs. She

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Something Different in Chicken, Beef and Chocolate

BY DOROTHY MADDOX

OF course, most people like chicken. But most people like to be pleasantly surprised every now and then. So why not give the family and guests a party special a chicken dish the likes of which they never tasted before.

This Fruited Chicken Curry recipe is just the thing for that

Fruited Chicken Curry
(4 servings)

Two tablespoons fat, 1 cup finely diced onion. 1 1/2 cups coarsely chopped, unpeeled apples. 1/2 cup seedless raisins. 1/2 cup shredded coconut. 1 teaspoon curry powder. 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper. 1 1/2 cups seasoned chicken broth. 1/2 teaspoon chicken bouillon. 2 cups diced cooked chicken. 1 firm banana, sliced diagonally.

Melt fat in saucepan over moderate heat. Add onion and cook about 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Add apple, raisins and coconut. Sprinkle with curry powder, salt and pepper, stirring to mix well. Continue cooking for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add chicken broth, chicken bouillon and chicken stirring to blend well. Cover tightly and cook over very low heat about 30 minutes. Correct seasonings if necessary. Add banana and continue cooking for about 3 minutes. Serve immediately with hot cooked rice. Suitable accompaniments are chutney, chopped green pepper or chopped salted peanuts.

There are times when you want a quick but substantial and good tasting main dish—something to stick to the ribs but won't take a lot of time in the fixing. Here's a pretty good answer to that problem—one my husband and two boys always want more of.

Quick Beef Casserole
(4 to 6 servings)

One quarter cup fat, 1/2 cup sliced onion, 1 small clove garlic, minced, 1/2 pound chopped beef, 1 teaspoon kitchen bouquet or other sauce builder, 1/2 cup rice, 1 No. 2 can tomatoes, 1 cup sliced green pepper, 2 teaspoons salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, 1/2 teaspoon chili powder, 1/2 cup grated American cheese.

Melt fat in frying pan over moderate heat. Add onion and garlic. Cook, stirring frequently, about 3 minutes. Add chopped beef pulled into small bits. Sprinkle with kitchen bouquet or other sauce builder. Cook until meat is lightly browned. Add rice, tomatoes, green pepper and seasonings. Bring to boil. Lower heat and cook, tightly covered, until rice is barely tender, about 25 minutes. Pour into shallow heat-



proof casserole. Sprinkle cheese evenly over top and brown lightly under pre-heated broiler. Serve immediately.

Now, just to add a sweet closing, let's make a few chocolate mergues. They are different and good, too.

Chocolate Mergues
(1 1/2 doz.)

One egg white, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup chocolate nuggets, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla.

Beat egg white stiff; beat in sugar slowly. Fold in salt, chocolate, vanilla. Drop by teaspoon on greased baking sheet. Bake in moderate (325 degree F.) oven, 15 minutes.

CUB

CAPERS



Cub Pack 45 will have its last pack meeting of the year 1952 on Thursday, December 18, at 7:45 at the Ten Mile School. This is the annual Christmas Party with a tree to trim by all the Cubs, carol singing, and refreshments. The Cub Scouts who will receive awards that evening are as follows: The Bobcat badge goes to Ford Olson, Den 16; Frederick McHugh, Den 6, and Larry Lynn Smith, Den 6. Wolf badges will be awarded John Wynn, Den 16; Michael Burke, Den 6; Joseph Updeger, Den 9, and Michael Tomlin, Den 10. A gold arrow on the Wolf badge will be awarded John Mullin, Den 4, and a gold arrow to George Hunt of Den 11. Dennis Ingh and Danny Herman, both of Den 17, will receive a silver arrow on the Wolf. The Bear badge is to be awarded to Dennis Ingh and to Stephen Green of Den 13. James McDonald, Den 16, has earned a gold arrow on Bear as have Jerry Hoard of Den 19 and Donald Youngblood of Den 3. Stephen Green, Den 13, will receive a gold and silver arrow on Bear. Donald Jack, Den 3, will receive a silver arrow on Bear. The Lion badge will be worn proudly by Jerry Knop of Den 16 and the arrows on Lion by Jerry Knop, one gold; Donald Youngblood of Den 3, one gold; Terry Kik of Den 13, one gold and one silver; and Donald Day, Den 3, two silver arrows on Lion.

Denner stripes go to Charles Thompson of Den 5, Joseph Wynn of Den 5, Dennis Ingh of Den 17 and George Green of Den 13. Assistant Denner's stripes to William Stephens of Den 5 and Terry Wix of Den 13. James Orr and Stephen Ridal, both of Den 4, will receive their Webelos badge. Den Mothers Mrs. Herman, Mrs. Jack, Mrs. Nathan and Mrs. Wynn of the Maybury Sanatorium in Northville on Saturday, December 13, to find at first hand what small gifts would be most pleasing to the children for whom the Cub Scouts are decorating and filling boxes. These boxes will be on display with other handicraft at the Pack meeting December 13.

Mrs. Jack of Den 3 called to tell us that the Cubs of that den had the privilege recently of being shown colored slides of Japan and Korea brought back by a soldier home on leave. The boys enjoyed it very much.

A Merry Christmas to the Cubs of Pack 45.

Don't waste space in your cupboards — racks for spices and extracts can be fastened to almost any cupboard door. And hooks for measuring cups and spoons can be put on cupboard doors, too, recommend Michigan State College home management specialists.

Candles that have been thoroughly chilled in the refrigerator will burn more slowly and last longer, say Michigan State College extension specialists.

Shirley Snow To Represent Novi
At All-States Scout Encampment

The Senior Girl Scouts of Novi will be represented at the 1953 All-States Encampment by Shirley Snow. It was announced this week by Mrs. Robert Schellenger, acting Neighborhood Chairman. Shirley Snow will be one of four representatives from Michigan at the event, which will be held next August at the Buffalo Bill Youth Camp near Cody, Wyoming. Campers will come from every state in the Union.

Official notification of Shirley Snow's acceptance was received from Girl Scout National Headquarters in New York City, which holds the encampment.

Mrs. Robert Schellenger said that this will be the third All-States Encampment and the largest, at the number of girls who will attend will be double that of the previous two years — nearly 100. The encampment is the gift of Glenn E. Nielson, president of the Husky Oil Company, and Paul Stock, independent oil dealer, both of Cody. They provide funds that cover the basic costs of operating the camp.

The site of the encampment is in Shoshone National Forest near Yellowstone Park, about 40 miles from Cody, and provides unique opportunities for the Scouts to explore the countryside, take trail trips, camp out overnight, and study wildlife of the area. The general program of activities for the two-week get-together is planned by the campers with the help of their counselors. In selecting Senior Scouts for the encampment, much consideration has been given to their skill and knowledge of camping techniques as well as to their qualities of leadership, knowledge of Girl Scouting, and ability to represent their own communities. According to Mrs. Schellenger, one of the greatest values of the

NEW ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Lindall Pare of Middlebelt Road announce the birth of their twins, a boy and a girl, at Mt. Carmel Hospital on Saturday, December 13.

Mrs. Pare is the former Ella Rouse.

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Methodists To Offer Special Program

Elsie A. Johns, Pastor of the Clarencville Methodist Church, Mr. Arnone Goldkette. Mrs. Leon Newman will do a Christmas reading.

The Sunday School on December 23 will meet as usual at 10:00 a.m. and the Youth Groups at 6:30 p.m. On Monday evenings at 7:30 will be a program by the Sunday School.

There will be a service on Christmas Eve from 7:30 to 8:30.

Mr. Purser, who operates the Davis County Store on Farmington Road, has returned from a vacation trip to the West. His daughter, who was with Mrs. Purser during his absence, has now gone back to her home at Phoenix, Arizona.

In the evening service at 7:30 the senior choir presents a service of music. Many selections from Handel's "The Messiah" will be sung. Soloists will be Mrs. Paul

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