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THE NEW YEAR

Another year along life's way. Another chance to do our best. More striving for the higher things. Leaving to Heaven all the rest.

Time has a way of passing on. We cannot halt it or go back. But of the time which we possess. Our course of action must not lack.

Another year to make amends. Not grieving for the past. Looking ahead content and staid. Where e'er our lot is cast.

Cora D. Holmes

Fail to Heed Sign

Richmond, Va.—Highway workmen, putting up "Warning—Soft Shoulder" signs along a road under construction, failed to heed their own warning. They had to call for a tow truck—their own truck was stuck in the mud of the "soft shoulders."



Nearly 78 square miles of county land suitable for recreation are now publicly owned and under development reports the Oakland County Planning Commission.

Parties Original

By VIRGINIA COLE

The purpose of this column is to give you ideas for your parties and to help you know some of the tricks and techniques that will make your parties outstanding.

Give your children lots of parties. They will love you for it and always remember the fun they had. Their friends will retain fond memories of you and the fun they had at the parties you gave if you exert your self a little and really show them a good time.

This is not hard to do and children's parties need not leave you utterly exhausted if you know how to select the activities for a particular age group and how to manage the group psychologically.

HERE ARE SOME SUGGESTIONS:

For pre-schoolers, keep the party short and keep the group fairly small. There should not be more than six or eight guests and the party should not be longer than an hour.

These little ones tire quickly with the strain of excitement. Keep them busy from the minute they arrive. Games should be simple and not more than three activities presented.

BEAR IN MIND that children at this age are great mimics and will enjoy pretending they are animals, dolls, trains, musical instruments, or anything with which they are familiar. They love a little parade with noisemakers, pots and pans for drums or a pull-toy parade.

SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN are very energetic and need a mixture of active games and relaxing games.

When these guests first arrive, throw them right into some game that will wear them out and get rid of a large share of their excess energy the first thing.

Follow this with a sitting-down game so they rest a while but are still occupied. Next, another very active game and then a quiet one. Have about five good games and let no time elapse between them.

When the time is over, do not be afraid to tell them that now the party is ended, you've enjoyed

having them, know they've had fun and see them off.

★ Smile A Minute

These children will do a lot of giggling while eating. This is to be expected so best to see the funny side and laugh too.

Provide each guest with a large paper bag bearing his name in crayon in which he can carry home his prizes and loot.

Book forward to your children's parties. They are fun if you make them so.

Person (meeting a neighbor bringing home a load of hay)—Jenkins: Wouldn't it be better if you attended services instead of working this way? Jenkins—Mr. Dawkins, I don't know whether it would be best to sit on a load of hay and think of religion or sit in the church and think of the hay.

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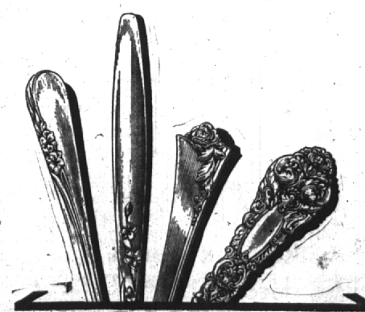
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