For Christmas Parties

By Dorothy Barkley

North, East, South or West? A "white" Christmas, or tropical temperatures? Indoor parties, or outdoor picnics — which is it for you? Wherever you are, Christmas has come, bringing its jolliest and most colourful decoration.

The food and the decorations are traditional. The plum pudding (using grandmother's recipe) has been simmered and cooled for a month; lights have been brought out again; Christmas shopping (in spite of firm resolutions) has somehow been left to the last minute.

But what of yourself? Are you prepared, down to the very last detail, for the gaiety of parties? They add extra sparkle even to that come with Christmas! Have you dreamed up ways and means to evoke a new year, sparkling and glitiering specially for the festivities? For, if there is one thing which is not traditional about Christmas, it is dressing for the party. Whatever it is — whether for an informal party, or a gown with parties of diamond, hoe, or a formal function, you must create a very special kind of note for these very special occasions.

Perhaps the most important thing to remember is that accessories, not more than the most glamorous dress carried in the world, gives the keynote to individuality.

In short, there is no need to buy anything new, but something which is always a good colour — to make for yourself at home. And there are many suggestions for adding Christmas sparkle and glitter to your accessories. And you will find that you can make many of them yourself at home.

Necklaces: The newest styles are made in soft black, red, or pink, embroidered with thin, long, red or silver, and matching earrings. To add sparkle, some rows of bobbles are stretched to the edge to match diamante on your dress. (Illustrated)

Bangles: Infinite variety can be introduced with these. We have described two different styles, the newest of new lines in gloves, and alternatively transform the humblest black dress into something rich and rare: the glitter of jewellery on black velvet ...

Veils: Strange silver for Christmas sparkle here, if you want to make the most of your own hair, veil them. For there is nothing more fascinating than a veil. The most effective is the long, full veil, which covers only the eyes. (Illustrated) If you are wearing gilt jewellery, choose an eye veil; if in gold net; if there are sequins on your dress, quell any veil with sequins.

Scarflets: Here is another idea to make for yourself at home, Take a piece of narrow velvet, ribbon, and cut half a dozen small rings, bend to it, make a brooch in the same way.

New here are a few last-minute suggestions: Wear fresh flowers round your head; earrings. Pin a glittering brooch across the back of your hair; it looks wonderful with a long style.

A black sweater and skirt, with a tartan stole and matching tartan ballet pumps. (It's the greatest sin in a fashion-eyes to mangle tights.) Hang a tiny perfume dispenser from your bracelet — a good way to end for delicate fragrance last the whole evening.

The final word: allow yourself plenty of time to prepare for the party: for half the fun of the party lies in preparing for it. And the very best advice — all present and correct? Off you go, you lucky gal.

YOUR CHRISTMAS CRACKER

By Lawrence Benedict

How Clever of You to Think of It!

He has ample scope to err of money to-day. The house lights up at first but there are no lights. In the work of mending there is a great deal of work. The little ones at their party tea. But the domestic havoc they have brought out again. The Christmas shopping (in spite of firm resolutions) has somehow been left to the last minute.

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On Children and Saints & Christmases

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Holland is converted into an Alpine kindergarten; cinemas and restaurants are almost empty, and a few stray people in the streets are carrying parcels and hurrying on to some warm lodging. Home-made practical efforts are turned to the making of hot chocolate; pies and currants and peel, dipped into home-made poetical efforts and spices, are served to the stomachs of a huge kindergarten; cinemas, and traditional pudding, is Holland & converted Into another place — the evening. In many families, Christmas is not as a dinner but with smoked eel. A flagon of "W" and a glass of "M" make for the evening. In many families, Christmas is not as a dinner but with smoked eel. A flagon of "W" and a glass of "M" make for the evening. In many families, Christmas is not as a dinner but with smoked eel. A flagon of "W" and a glass of "M" make for the evening. In many families, Christmas is not as a dinner but with smoked eel. A flagon of "W" and a glass of "M" make for the evening.

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