Tips for survival in holiday toyland

NEW YORK (UPI) — Here you are out shopping for Christmas gifts. You're single — unmarried uncle, aunt, cousin, or friend of a family one or two on the gift list.

You walk into a toy department and you're surrounded by dolls that talk, airplanes that fly and toys that just sit there. You look and touch and listen and suddenly you know any more than you did before.

The president of a toy producing company, provides the following guidelines to selections that please:

Consider the children for whom you're buying. If you have a chance to talk with them, find out their interests. Kids are aware and are familiar with what's available.

Talk with parents and ask them about what toys interest the children.

Another big help is the clerk in the toy department. He can tell you what toy is the best seller for a child of any age. You'll be on the right track. The best sellers usually are good toys.

If you want to please the mother of the recipient, consider storage. Many toys have built-in storage that this is always a big help for Mom.

Check for durability. Will it withstand a tug of war? Check for safety. No heating elements that can burn. No parts that come off and be swallowed. No toxic paint. No cutting edges or parts that can cut or pierce the body.

Also, look for ease of cleaning. If it is a big plush toy can it be washed or cleaned and do pre-school books and puzzles have pages and parts that can be wiped clean?

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Many toy manufacturers mark age groups on toy packages. Age brackets are one to three, three to five, five to eight.

The first bracket usually includes infant type toys and are made for eye and touch appeal and coordinating ability. The three to five toys are for the most part educational and challenge preschoolers to learn.

In the five to eight category, toys are made for children who have advanced motor capabilities and have developed definite interests. In this age group it is particularly important to find out what appeals to the children.

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When buying an educational toy, buy one that is complicated enough to challenge a child, but not so complicated that it will only frustrate him. If it's too complicated, it may also frustrate his mother who will have to help him play with it.

Adoptions on increase in Md.

Maryland courts completed adoption proceedings for 2,774 children during 1969, according to statistics released today by the Social Services Administration of the Department of Employment and Social Services.

This was the third consecutive year that completed adoptions have increased. After a drop from 2,363 in 1965 to 2,035 in 1966, there were 2,133 processed in 1967 and 2,305 in 1968.

During the five years covered by the report, public agencies increased the number of children placed in adoptive homes from 421 in 1965 to 698 in 1969, and child placement by private agencies decreased from 412 in 1965 to 331 in 1969.

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The proportion of completed adoptions for white and non-white children during the period remained constant. In 1965 there were 2,016 white children placed and only 347 non-white. Approximately the same differential applied to 1969 when 2,344 white children were placed in adoption homes compared to 430 non-whites.

In 1965, 615 of the 749 children under one year of age adopted by non-related persons were placed by agencies, and 134 were placed independently. This compares to 811 of 954 placements by agencies and 143 placed independently in 1969.

The statistics indicate that completed adoptions by non-relatives have decreased slightly, year by year, from 49.8 percent of the 2,363 adoptions in 1965 to 47.2 percent of the 2,774 in 1969. Conversely, the proportions of children adopted by relatives has increased from 49.1 percent in 1965 to 52.4 percent in 1969.

Star studded cast at Md. U. game

Three of barnstorming basketball's top showmen will return with the Harlem Globetrotters when they oppose the New Jersey Reds in the closing game of a basketball doubleheader at the University of Maryland's Cole Field House December 11.

St. Mark's and St. Andrews, eighth grade teams of the Catholic Youth Organization, meet in an opening 7 o'clock contest while a variety floor show will complete this pre-holiday attraction that benefits the Maryland M Club's athletic scholarship fund.

Player-coach Leon Hillard and Fred "Curly" Neal, speedy forwards, alternate as dribbling and ball handling specialists while Meadowlark Lemon, versatile center-forward, is his team's Clown Prince.

The feature game will be preceded by a lightning fast table tennis exhibition involving two of the world's greatest players in Japan's sensational Norikazu "Can nonball" Fujii, and England's Jack Bender.

The half-time intermission of the Harlem-Jersey contest will spotlight a combined trampoline and juggling act that will headline Mike Pickering and his family group comprised of his wife, Carol; a son, Mike, Jr., and a daughter, Chris.

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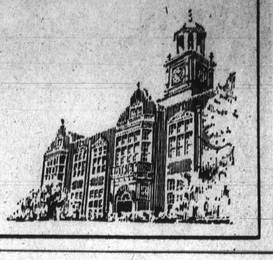

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'Christmas Carol' on TV channel 11

Charles Dickens' timeless yuletide classic, "A Christmas Carol," will be presented on WMAR-TV during the coming Christmas season.

The first showing will be Sunday, December 20, at 12:2 p.m. on "The Sunday Afternoon Movie." Second showing will be Christmas Eve at 8:30 p.m.

The feature-length English film is a memorable rendition of the story of Scrooge and the Spirits of Christmas Past, Present and Future. Alastair Sim stars. Kathleen Harrison and Jean Murray.

Leads You Astray. Basic radio and industry course is good writing. Classroom: Television. 3:30: Classroom Television.

4:00: Sesame Street (C) Sound. 7 (C) A Look at Sound.

5:00: Civilization No. 10 (C): The Smile of Reason. (C) Command Performance (1953) (C) Desert Legion (1953) (C) Sound. 9:00: Civilization No. 10 (C): The Smile of Reason. (C) Bernard Berenson: Connected in painting of David, sculptures of Houdon. The and the Encyclopedists reflected in painting of David.

10:00: Fanfare No. 10 (c) Jazz Festival: Norfolk and Monticello Virginia.

10:30: Sesame Street (C) San Francisco Rock at the Fillmore. Jerry Lewis, Connie Stevens.

11:30: The Jack Paar Show (C) While The City Sleeps

1:30: Weekend News (C)

1:45: Public Answers (ABC DB) C

12:00:1:00 p.m. College Football 70

1:00:1:30 p.m. Oral Roberts (R) Gospel Time

1:30:2:00 p.m. Gospel Tabernacle Hr.

2:00:2:30 p.m. O Happy Day

2:30:3:30 p.m. Family Channel

3:30:4:00 p.m. Linden Heights United Methodist

4:00:4:30 p.m. Project 24

4:30:5:00 p.m. Pattern For Living

5:30:6:30 p.m. Baltimore Orioles: "Bill, Tilly, Bill, Tilly." Bill Hoblitzell, who is this week's major preparations

6:15: Education (C) Psychology No. 24 (B) The Drop-Outs. Community College of the Air: Euclidean Geometry. Community College of the Air: Mathematics No. 24 (R) Fundamentals of Data Processing No. 24 (R) Advanced Programming. College of the Air: Personnel Matters (R) Absenteeism and Overtime.

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11:30: Dialing for Dollars (C) Bullwinkle (ABC) C Cottonwood Cats (ABC) C

12:00: NBA 1970 Champions No. 24 (R) NAACP. Africa No. 24 (R) NAACP.

12:30: 1970 USGA Hall of Fame Golf Classic (ABC) C

1:00: Newsmakers (C)

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2:00: Sesame Street No. 153 (R)

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4:00: Hodgepodge Lodge. Pony Horse, Jumps.

7:00: The French Chef (B) 7:30: Making Things Grow. Holiday Decorations.

8:00: World Press. International correspondents analyze one week's major stories appeared in newspapers of five continents.

8:30: The Idea of North. Rugged beauty of the Canadian northland unfold in the dreams of a young man who wants to be a Canadian Rock at the Family Dog at 2. NBC Pro Football: Pittsburgh at Cleveland. The Rock at the Fillmore. Jefferson Airplane and Santana.

(R-Sun.) 10: Newsmakers. WETA's journalists review and discuss their significance.

11:00: Jazz Alley. Pianist Gene Harris performs the sonatas of Beethoven and Prokofiev.

12:00: Newsroom Final.

Networks feature Christmas shows

By JACK GAVER

NEW YORK (UPI) — Although you needed a reminder, at this late date, ABC-TV presents a Sunday special commemorating the coming of Christmas.

Also, NBC gets into the Christmas act on Wednesday when "Santa Claus is Coming to Town."

"Santa Claus is Coming to Town," presented in a unique animation technique. The musical fantasy is about an abandoned baby who grows into Santa Claus. Michael Bond wrote the script. Fred Astaire, Mickey Rooney, Keenan Wynn and Paul Frees are featured.

Actor Telly Savalas is Red Skelton's guest on the latter's NBC show at 7:30 p.m. Debbie Reynolds is the guest on "Bonanza" at 9.

Actor Dolly Sarafian is guest on the Dean Martin show at 10:30 p.m.

Actor Cliff Robertson is the host and Tom Jones is the guest on "Dean Martin's Laugh-In" on NBC at 10.

"NFL Monday Night Football" at 9 has the Detroit-Los Angeles game.

Lost and Found: Oscar Hammerstein II, Ethel Merman, Ken Berry, Robert Merrill and Carousel. Hammerstein, Merman and Berry are in a Broadway musical, "Carousel." Merrill is in the area of their choice in the area of their choice.

Mr. Skerven also stressed while at the same time helping his clients arrive at the same time.

Mr. Skerven also stressed law and emphasized "that buyers' rights under the law are in a position to be equal to those of the discrimination in home buying because of race, creed, color or national origin."

Mr. Skerven also stressed the significance of settlement for coverage, the contract of sale and how Realtors and commissions are negotiated.

Mr. Skerven also stressed the roles of multiple listing and Realtors and explained how various services to sell properties listed by other

Realtors explain their role

Charles A. Skerven, speaking on the "Role of Realtors" at the Western YMCA, said Catonsville Fair Housing Council, said recently "Realtors are in a position to influence the attitudes of people in the area of their choice to live in the area of their choice.

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Sunday, December 13

WMAR-TV (2) 6:30: Sunrise Semester: (F.r.e.d Astaire, Leslie Caron) (c)

7:30: Sunrise Semester: "Urban Man, His Work and His Society"

8:30: The Adams Family

9:00: Jonathan Winters Show

9:30: Tom and Jerry

10:00: Penelope Pitstop

10:30: Lassie

11:00: Lamp Unto My Feet

12:30: Face the Nation

1:00: Press Conference

1:30: Issues and Answers

2:00: Meet the Press (c)

3:00: Hour of Decision

3:30: Lamp Unto My Feet

4:00: Look Up and Live

4:30: Issues and Answers

5:00: Pittsburgh at Boston

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6:00: Gunsmoke

6:30: Lassie

7:00: Hogan's Heroes

7:30: The Ed Sullivan Show

9:00: The Glen Campbell Goodtime Hour

10:00: Green Acres

10:30: Petticoat Junction

11:00: Newswatch

11:15: Weather Watch

11:30: Merv Griffin

1:00: Late News

1:05: Bible Reading

1:10: Sign Off

WBAL-TV (11)

7:00: Sunrise Semester: "Urban Man, His Work and His Society"

8:00: Hazel (All Mixed Up) (c)

8:30: Dobie Gillis

9:00: Danny Thomas Show (c)

10:00: Dinah's Place (c)

10:30: Concentration (c)

11:00: Hollywood Squares (c)

11:30: Jeopardy (c)

12:00: Who, What or When

12:30: Talking Wagons

1:00: Lucy (First Stop)

1:30: Miss Jean and the Toys

2:00: Days of Our Lives (c)

2:30: The Doctors (c)

3:00: Another World (c)

3:30: Bright Promise (c)

4:00: Another World — Part II

4:30: Perry Mason (Missing Melody)

5:30: TV 11 News: Final

6:00: Dickens and Dollars (c)

6:30: NBC Nightly News (c)

7:00: TV 11 News: 7 Hours

7:30: Renaissance Art in Italy

8:00: CBS News with Roger Mudd

9:00: Man on the Move (c)

10:00: Bonanza

11:00: Hawaii Five-O

12:00: Movie: "Blondie in the Dough" (Penny Singleton, Arthur Lake)

11:00: Sunday Afternoon Movie: "Daddy Long Legs" (Fred Astaire, Leslie Caron) (c)

1:00: Pro Football (Baltimore at Miami) Bill Dwyer (c)

4:00: Man on the Move (c)

5:00: Meet the Press (c)

5:30: Hee Haw (Hee, Hee, Hee, Haw) (c)

6:00: Rap-In (Hard Drugs) (c)

6:30: Movie Star (c)

7:00: TV 11 News (c)

7:30: Wonderful World of Disney (c)

8:00: Bill Cosby Show (c)

10:00: Bay Committee

11:00: TV 11 News (c)

11:30: Eyewitness News

12:00: Movie: "Knights Gamble" (Eleanor Parker, Chester Morris, Roger Smith) (c)

12:45: Sign Off

WJZ-TV (13)

5:55: This is Life (C)

6:00: International Zone

6:30: NBC Nightly News (c)

7:00: TV 11 News: 7 Hours

7:30: Bewitched (c)

8:00: CBS Friday Night Movie: "Town Without Pity" (Kirk Douglas) (c)

10:00: Carol Burnett

11:15: Weather Watch

11:20: Sports Watch

11:30: Merv Griffin

1:00: Bible News

1:10: Sign Off

WBAL-TV (11)

6:15: Sign On and Devotions

6:30: Learning to Read

7:00: Today Show (c)

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