

**From the Kitchen Witch  
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Edible Christmas Presents  
The following recipes are made in my family every year. I particularly wish to share the cake recipe. It belonged to my grandmother and is a lovely alternative to the heavy and dark, traditional wedding cake. It keeps well and can also tolerate the addition of liquor wrapped cheesecloth.

White Gumdrop Cake  
Night Before Preparation  
(Remove black gumdrops)  
Chop fine and mix well:  
1 lb white raisins  
1/2 lb candied pineapple  
1/4 lb almonds  
1/2 lb red & green cherries  
1/4 lb citron peel  
1 lb gumdrops  
Next Day: Mix 1-1/4 cups white sugar with 1 cup of butter (or marg. good quality). Mix in well, one at a time, 5 eggs. Blend in 1/2 cup of milk with 2 cups flour that has been sifted with 1/2 tsp salt and 2 tsp baking powder. Add the fruit and mix well. Bake in tube pan (10") greased and floured, for 2 hours or so at 300 degrees. Put a can of water in oven for moisture. Cool inverted and wrap well to store.

Cranberry-Orange Liqueur  
Start this delicious ruby-red cordial a few weeks before you plan to give it as a gift. Makes about 1-1/4 quarts.  
1 pkg. (12 ounces) cranberries  
1 bottle (750 ml) vodka or alcohol  
1 orange (or 1/4 lemon & 1/2 orange)  
1-1/2 cups sugar  
3/4 cups of water  
Chop berries coarsely. Pare orange with peeler carefully as you use the skin only. Combine berries and orange parings and vodka in a glass or plastic one gallon container. Cover and let steep at room temperature for 3 to 4 weeks. Strain into a clean container; filter or siphon off clear liquid if cloudy. Combine sugar and water in a saucepan; bring to boiling and boil 1 min. then cool. Stir sugar syrup into berry liquid. Taste. For a sweeter liqueur, more sugar syrup may be prepared and added.

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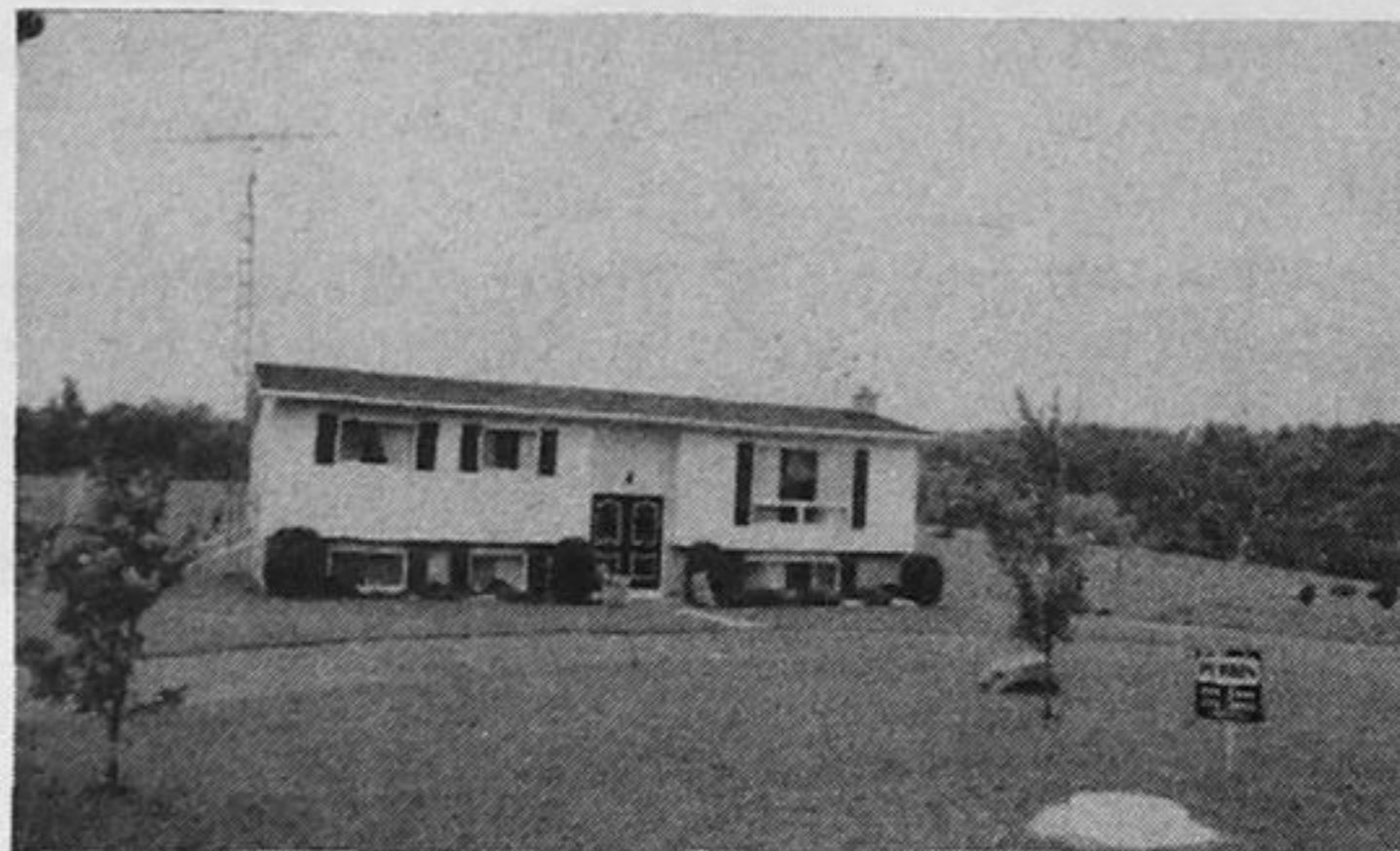


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