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Grow-ups, like children, occasionally like favors to "dress up" a lunch or luncheon for a party. They help to carry out a color scheme as well as the theme of the party. Many clever favors can be purchased but when a large number is required, they become rather expensive. This circular gives ways of making some simple favors which are easily made.

Leaf Girl
(For Fall of Year)

Paint and cut a face from a white card paper which will fit a lollipop. Paste face on the wrapper of the lollipop. Add hair by making two layers of fringed brown crepe paper, cut with the grain. Wrap the stem of the lollipop in green crepe paper and place in a green gum drop on a button mold. Paste on bright colored fall leaves so as to form a cap and bib. A place card can be tied in place on the stick of the lollipop or the button mold set on the card. Fig. 1

Candy Stick Girl
(For St. Patrick)

Gather a full skirt of green crepe paper around the top of the candy stick and tie in place with green thread. flute the bottom of the skirt with a thumb and fingers. For the arm use medium weight wire which has been wrapped with white crepe paper. To shape the arms wrap the wire, corkscrew fashion around a pencil. She can be made to hold a place card, if desired.

For the head and shoulders, use either a shamrock gum seal or a homemade shamrock of heavy green paper. Use white ink to make the face. Place the shamrock at the top and wrap on the arms. Place the stick of candy on a gum drop or on a flat cream mint. Fig. 2
Candy Hat
A hat made from candy makes a clever favor for a spring party. The brim of the hat is made from a fondant cream mint. For the crown use an opera cream. With a hot knife warm the bottom of the cream enough to melt it then set on the mint. Fig. 3

Easter Bunny
A small candy Easter egg is used for the head. Use ink to work eyes, nose, and mouth. Paper ears are pasted on the back of the head. A medium sized Easter egg forms the body. Small gum drops may be used as arms and a flat gum drop is used as the bottom which gives the rabbit a sitting position. A ribbon bow at the neck makes the rabbit quite complete. Fig. 4

Spoon Bunny
Invert a paper spoon, color a bunny face on the bowl with crayon and India ink. For whiskers wrap very light wire with white crepe paper. Place these above the mouth and tack in place with black thread. Just below the bowl of the spoon, fasten medium weight wire for the paws, bending them outward and tips downward.

Attach the spoon now to a wax paper nut cup. Cover cup and rabbit with festooning (or fringed narrow strips of white crepe paper). Cut ears from white paper and line with pink paper. Paste on head.

Spoon Doll
Invert a paper spoon and paint a face bordered with painted hair on the bowl. Gather in a frill of crepe paper on the handle just below the bowl. This forms the dress for this little lady.
Flapper Lollipop
(for Valentine)

On the wrapper of a lollipop paste a face which has been painted and cut from white paper. A smart straight bob may be made for her by cutting brown paper into a fine fringe. Cut two heart shaped pieces from heavy red paper and tie near the bottom with a red ribbon. Wrap red crepe paper about the stick of the lollipop and tie a ribbon under the lady’s chin. Slip the end of the stick into a red gum drop or a button mold, first covering it with red crepe paper. Fig. 5

A Sport

This lady is made by using a gum drop lollipop for the head and the short stick inserted in a button mold. This is then set in the center of a square piece of cellophane or glassive paper, gathered in at the neck and tied in place with a ribbon. The bag is filled with small colored candies. Fig. 6.

Christmas Tree

Cut from green paper two pieces to represent a tree. Paste a piece of green wire on one and then place the second tree over it. Paste together. Dot glue over each side and scatter tiny colored cake candies over it. Insert the wire in a gum drop for support. (The size of the tree will depend upon where and how the tree is to be used.)

The Fig Chap

Take a fig and shape to represent a child’s dress. Use a blanched almond for the face which may be decorated with ink or chocolate. Pull a seeded raisin about the top to represent the hair. Place a nut and raisins on tooth picks for arms and legs. A tooth pick added to the back helps to form an easel so that the chap will stand. Fig. 7
A Monday Party

Monday lends itself for clever ideas for a party luncheon. The invitations may be written on starched ironed pieces of muslin which have been cut to fit into a neat sized envelope. The edges may be fringed.

On the center of the table a square may be formed by a clothesline. Sticks of candy set on gum drops or mints will serve as the poles for the line. The line is formed with a string running to each pole. On the line tiny paper water colored garments may be held in place with small clothes pins. Fig. 8.

Clothespin Doll

Ink a face on the clothespin head and blacken the end of the sticks for shoes. Wrap a strip of paper about the part of the pin which will represent the waist. Gather on a crepe paper skirt. Paste two matches on for arms. Fold a square piece of crepe paper or cloth into a triangle and use as a shawl around her shoulders. Take a piece of cotton, slightly dampen and adjust about the head for a wig. Push the feet thru the top of a small round pill box which will assist the lady to stand.

Clothespin Butterfly

Use a small clothespin for the body of the butterfly. It may be lacquered black if desired. Insert two black headed pins at the top of the pin in position of antennae (feelers). The wings are cut from gold, silver or any fancy colored paper and are inserted between the prongs. They should be glued in place. Fig. 9.
Candy Flowers
Candy flowers are made by cutting wire covered with green covering, into various lengths. On the end of each insert tiny colored gum candies. These may be tied together with ribbon or tulle and inserted in the center of a paper doily to represent a corsage bouquet. Or, a flat gum drop may be made to represent a basket of flowers. Insert both ends of a 
inch wire opposite each other in flat gum drops. This represents the handle. Tie a tiny tulle bow on this. Stick the candy flowers about the candy drop. Fig. 11.

Candy Daisy
Cut a gum drop crosswise and slightly heat the cut surface so as to become sticky. Place a row of candy corn about the edge to form the petals. Drop a piece of melted chocolate in the center. Insert in a wrapped wire for the stem and support the flower on another gum drop. Fig. 12.

Candle and Holders
Insert a cake candle in the top of a gum drop. At the side make a tiny slit and insert a life saver which will serve as a handle. Color combinations may be used to carry out ideas for various occasions. Red candles with green gum drops make an interesting combination for Christmas.

Football Boy
Different shaped gum candies can be used to make clever football boys, a favor which is appreciated by old and young. A small round flat gum drop is used for the head, a face is painted on one side. Three tiny gum drops are flattened and placed on the top of the head to represent the head gear. One flat one is used for the neck. Two oblong shaped gum drops are shaped with the flat sides together and used for the abdomen. Four gum strips are used for arms and legs and one gum drop forms the base. A hazel nut is placed under one arm to represent a football. Fig. 10.
Elephants

The flat part of two gum drops placed together will form the body of the elephant. On a third gum drop mark a face and insert two halves of tooth picks to represent tusks. The trunk, tail and four legs may be held in place with tooth picks. Fig. 14

Umbrellas

Tiny umbrellas may be made by tying a frill of paper at the end of a wrapped or painted skewer, wrapped wire or opera stick candy. The end is inserted in a gum drop so as to stand. Fig. 13
A Menagerie

Animal crackers always please every child. They may be placed in tiny decorated boxes or tied in the center of colored napkins. They always furnish a variety of entertainment. Fig. 15.

Fig. 15

Owl

On a peanut, ink the eyes, beak and wings of an owl. Sew this to a twig dividing the stitches forming each foot into two toes.

Hobby Horse

A hobby party or luncheon can be made interesting to all. A paper hobby horse may serve as place cards or invitations. Sometimes during the party each guest is called upon to tell of their hobby.

Fig. 16

A butterfly cut from crepe paper may also be used as place card decorations. Many other suggestions for place cards may be worked out following this idea. Fig. 16.

Place Cards

Clever place cards to be used at festivals for an approaching bride are made by gluing small cupids on a card on which the names of the individuals are printed. The cupid may be partially dressed by the use of an organdy apron and a triangle piece twisted in the back for the head gear.
Radio Party

A radio suggestion may be carried out by using nut boxes which represent a radio and the top used for name cards. See Fig. 17. To make box fold a rectangle piece of paper in the center crosswise. Unfold and bring each end to center, fold and crease. Unfold and then fold and crease paper lengthwise through center. Again unfold and bring edges to center, fold and crease. Unfold and hold paper in left hand. Cut on solid lines as shown in Fig. 18. Fold short ends to inside and paste. Trim so as to be same width as longer pieces.

Flower Basket

Two or three small pieces of candy are wrapped in glassive with twisted ends. These ends are in turn placed on a button mold. The two ends of a covered wire is inserted in the mold which represents the handle of the basket. The button mold is placed in the center of a square piece of glassive, which is brought up over the mold and tied, holding the pieces of candies which represent flowers in place. Fig. 19.
Graduation Favors

Graduation: Small doll face is pasted to a lollipop and the stick wrapped with crepe paper. The hat is cut from black cardboard and crepe paper twisted for the tassel. The lollipop is inserted in button mold covered with crepe paper. The cap may be used as a place card.

Narrow ribbons in school colors are tied to stick. Fig. 20.

Aeroplane

Near the end of a small stick of candy wrapped in glassive, place two life savers, one on each side. Across the top of the stick of candy and the life savers, place a stick of gum at right angles. Put a rubber band through the holes of the life savers and loop each end over the stick of gum so as to hold in place. Fig. 20.

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