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## CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Office of the Postmaster General,  
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 To the BOYS AND GIRLS OF THE UNITED STATES:  
 Christmas is almost here. Your great Post Office Department has a big job ahead and needs your help. Think what it means to be Santa Claus to our 100,000,000 people and

to deliver Christmas parcels to every family in this great country within the short space of a few days and without disappointment.

It can be done, and we're going to do it if we may have your help. I want to enlist the active assistance of every boy and girl in the schools of our country in getting parcels mailed THIS WEEK to relieve the rush that comes directly before Christmas.

Will you go home today and take this message to your parents and

friends: "Our postmaster has asked us to mail our Christmas parcels THIS WEEK, for, unless we do, Uncle Sam's load may be so heavy the last few days before Christmas that he won't be able to deliver all the presents by Christmas eve."

The parcels must be well wrapped and tied and addressed plainly in order that they may arrive in good condition with their Christmas appearance unspotted. You can put on your

Your name neatly printed on a beautiful card will be cherished by all who receive them.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Everyone in our house—wishes everyone  
 in your house—a very  
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packages. "Do not open until Christmas."

And, there must be a number on your house and a mail receptacle, too, for, if there isn't, Santa Claus's messenger, your letter carrier, may not be able to find the house where the present belongs.

There are some other things, too, in which you can all assist in improving the mail service and in saving our great Government millions of dollars a year that is now wasted because of our carelessness—your and mine.

Every day that you drop a letter in the mail box 4,000,000 other letters are already pushing and jamming through the postal machinery. One letter a day for each family of five persons in the United States is given to Uncle Sam to deliver.

When you send a parcel to the post office for mailing any day there are about 8,000,000 other parcels ahead of yours passing through the postal hopper. This is a busy day; at Christmas time it is much busier than

any other day. One letter carrier has to make a badly addressed parcel every day. This takes up over 2,000,000 half-addressed letters with the 30,000,000 fully-addressed letters. That means that the fully-addressed letters must wait on the slow moving postal machinery just like the larger boys and girls are delayed by a bunch of "bad little" tagging along.

You boys and girls can help the Postal Service and save your father some money, because he has to help pay the cost of searching addresses on letters and parcels sent out by this one careless and thoughtless family in every town.

First find out if your family is the careless one, then bear in mind that your letters must be handled by skilled mail distributors standing in post offices and on swaying postal cars of a mile-a-minute mail buses, often under poor light.

The address on every letter, card or package must be correct, complete and legible, including the house number and name of street, and the "From" address should be in the upper left-hand corner so that the mail will be returned to you in case it is not delivered. Do not abbreviate names of States, because so many look alike when abbreviated.

Put the proper amount of postage on your letters and wrap the parcels carefully. Avoid fancy writing, which causes post-office clerks and letter carriers to stop and study, and thus lose time. Make the address plain and easily read, and always use pen and ink or typewriter and light-colored envelopes, so as to save the eyes of the post-office clerks. Do not use envelopes of unusual size. The little ones that are so frequently used for cards and notes at Christmas and other holiday times cause an untold amount of trouble and labor, as they will not fit our cancelling machines and must therefore be canceled by hand. Because of their size and tendency to slip out of a package, these small envelopes are more likely to be overlooked or lost.

Mail your letters and packages early in the day, because this avoids overloading and delaying mail at the end of the day.

Your local postmaster and your teachers will tell you more about the Postal Service.

Do these things, and you will win the grateful appreciation of the people in your post office and especially of

Your Postmaster General  
 WILL H. HAYS.  
 P. S.—Don't forget to mail Christmas packages THIS WEEK.

## WHY THE CHRISTMAS KISSES?

Occulation, Allowed by Custom, Celebrates One of Most Charming Events in Tradition.

WHY should men kiss girls who stand under mistletoe? Because they like it and because custom allows it. Every kiss under the mistletoe, however, is a kiss which celebrates one of the most charming events in Christmas tradition.

The romance goes back to the days of the gods of Scandinavia, when Balder the Beautiful was shot by Locke, the Spirit of Evil, with an arrow of mistletoe. But his mother, Venus of the North, restored him to life by saluting with kisses all who passed beneath a branch held aloft in his hand.

Thus it became an emblem of love and happy celebration. Ancient races held the plant in great veneration, particularly the Frisians, who went in procession into the forests to collect it.

After New Year's day it was distributed among the people as a sacred and holy plant. If any part of the mistletoe touched the ground it was regarded as an omen of impending evil.



A FULL STOCKING

Hock—Santa Claus apparently has gifts to please everybody.

Rock—Yes it seems that there is nothing he doesn't keep in stock. He brought one woman of my acquaintance a divorce with alimony and the custody of the poodle.

Don't fail to see the handsome line of personal Holiday Greeting cards at the Courier office. The selection is good just now and the earlier you order them the more certain you will be of getting them on time. All cards we offer for sale we have in stock.

**GRAND!**  
 MONDAY, DEC. 26



Wesley Barry in "DINTY"

Why not solve that Christmas Gift problem now?  
 a photograph

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**M. J. Farabaugh,**  
 PHOTOGRAPHER  
 Carrolltown, Pa.

## THE 1800 CHRISTMAS

FIRST YULETIDE DINNER SERVED IN THE WHITE HOUSE

Haunch of Venison Graced the Table Presided Over by the Wife of John Adams

THE first dinner at Christmas given in the White House was that which took place in the year 1800, when John Adams was President and Abigail, his wife, sat at the head of the table as hostess. It was not a comfortable meal, although a splendid haunch of venison, the gift of Mrs. Washington graced the board, and the country people of what Mrs. Adams called "the City in the Wilderness" had generously contributed gifts of all sorts to make the feast as toothsome as one could well wish.

The reception after dinner took place in the oval room, which is now the library, and was at that time barely habitable, though furnished, as Mrs. Adams wrote, in "warm crimson." The view from the windows on that first Christmas day would have disclosed what John Cotton Smith describes as "a deep morass, covered with siber bushes." The sidewalks were laid with chips from the stoves with which the capitol was built. A wooden bridge spanned Black Tiger Creek, and low houses, also built of wood, were the residences of the congressmen.

The only brick dwellings were those that stood in Pennsylvania avenue, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second streets, six in number and built with money derived from the sale of lottery tickets. These were the surroundings of the first Christmas day of the Chief Executive of the young nation whose policy in government has been more Christlike than any other nation on the face of the earth which keeps the holidays.

Those Toothsome Apple Pies. The origin of the toothsome variety of pastry known technically and practically as apple pie has long been shrouded in mystery. That it has had a long, if not eventual history is evidenced by the distinct recollection of men now approaching the period of the mere and yellow leaf of the apple pie "mother used to make," and which formed such a prominent place in the dinner parl menu at the midday recess of the old-fashioned district school.

## WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS

CHRISTMAS is far other than a vision, a poetic rendition of the facts of life; it is an event set deep not only in the history of men but in their faith, their worship, and their way of life. They have never risen to its level; they have never by united effort, given its spirit the tremendous effectiveness of concerted action; but even in their indolence of intention and their feebleness of practice Christmas has given their life on earth a deeper meaning and a sterner habit. It has enormously increased the value of that life; it is increasing the spiritual content of the thought of life in the minds of men; it is giving it a sweeter savor, a softer grace, a warmer atmosphere as men more and more interpret life in the light which streams from Bethlehem. — Hamilton Wright Mable

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