## **CROSS OF HOPE**

One of the oldest religious symbols is the cross. Countline variations of this ancient mark can be shown among almost every race, far earlier than its use as a badge by in the World War by an the early Christians. A American division which atudy of crosses as they appear in history and art is an extremely rewarding hobby; there is much of interest known about

\_\_\_AND AGAIN we have an opportunity to tell our

friends, our customers in the communities served by

us, that we wish them the MERRIEST CHRISTMAS

they ever had. We wish we could visit each one of

you to greet you personally . . . to tell you how much

we appreciate your patronage, your good will, and

your unfailing courtesy-but since this is impossible,

we are using this space as a means of expressing our

sentiments. Though the ad may not be large, the

spirit behind it is - every member of the management

and sales force of our stores sincerely wish you and

yours the merriest Christmas ever and a Happy New

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Year.

The double-barred cross. which appears on every Christmas Seal, is called the Lorraine Cross. It has been a symbol of peace and hope since the Middle Ages when it first appeared on the insignia of the Duke of Lorraine, the first Christian ruler of Jerusalem. It was used by his family for generafraternal organizations, and even American division which included Pennsylvanians. It was in 1902, at the First International Conn Berlin, that the double barred cross was adopted as the insignia of the world-wide Crusade against tuberculosis.

Those enrolled under the double-barred cross in the First Crusade believed they had a sacred mission to perform. Those now enrolled under the same eross are fighting on another high crusade, but they are fighting a bloodlets to bring healing to young and old.

## Santa Claus Gets Around

 Busy Kris Kringle doesn't fight modern inventions-he uses them!



Doson Florida way where the chambers of commerce require that everything be different, Santa goes to work on an aquaplane.



Donner and Blitzen can't fly through the air like a plane, so old St. Nick tries a new wrinkle.



Here he pops up in a railroad



Then, again, he abandons his toy bag and travels in an automobile—



But in the end he goes back to





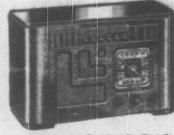
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## Sun's 'Virginia' Still Has Faith In Santa Claus

"Yas, Virginia, there is a Sonta Claux. He exists as certainly us love and generonly and deviation exist, and you know shot they abound and give to life its high-est beauty and joy."

Forty-two years ago an editorial writer for the New York Sun penned these now-famous lines in answer to a scrawled letter from a little girl named Virginia, whose faith in San-

ta had been shaken. Today Virginia is grown up, mar-ried, and serves as assistant principal in an east side New York school. Her name is Dr. Laura Virginia Douglas and this Christmas she's playing Santa Claus not only to her pupils but her own daughter.

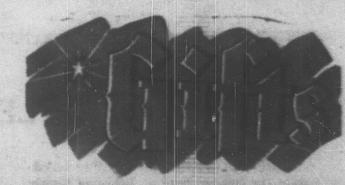
Pink-cheeked, vivacious, yet shy and hesitant in speaking of personal matters. Dr. Dauglas is not in favor of breaking the news baidly to a child that there is no Santa Claus. He will learn naturally, she says, as he turns from the free, imaginative stage of early childhood to an interest in the world around him.

When she first became old enough to realize the full meaning of the Sun's editorial, she felt hadly be-cause poor children were not able to have Christmas gifts as tangible evidence of Santa's existence. Later, she says, she grew to realize that material gifts were not so impor-tant as the faith which even the very poor child could have in something

After U. S. Diplomat
Thank an early American diplomat the the poinsettia plant you receive for dan't receive? Christmas maching. The faming fower whose vermillins-red towns are mistaken at a distance for the petals of its doner, was brought to the United States about 189 by Jos Roberts, Poinsett, minister to Mexico, who discovered it growing there. Poinsett, who had stadied both has and coefficies abroad and served many years in the diplomatic nervies, ended his career in the American bears of representatives from 1824 in 1825 that were it not for the plant he brought head from Mexico, his name would now be entrieved. Yule Flower Named

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