

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS FROM WEST PRINCE

1 B.C. And 1 A.D. Were Not A Year Apart

According to our calendar, one would naturally assume that between the year 1 B.C. and the year 1 A.D. there should be a year called zero. As a matter of fact, no such year exists, as far as historians are concerned and the year 1 A.D. follows directly after the year 1 B.C. A person born in B.C. would not be five years old at 2 A.D. but would be four years old when one is calculating data in that period. When adding B.C. and A.D. years it is necessary to always subtract one year to compensate for the year zero omitted between 1 B.C. and 1 A.D.

The Story Of The Chimes

I hear the chimes on Christmas Eve
In hallowed adoration.
Full twenty centuries they retrieve
And bear me back to Incarnation.
I hear the chimes on Christmas Morn
Their matchless praise begin,
Proclaiming Christ our Saviour born
In Bethlehem's rude inn.
I hear the chimes on Christmas Day
Their cadenced music tells
Of Christ the Life and Truth and Way.
Him all fullness dwells.

I hear the chimes on Christmas Night
In notes the angels sing.
My soul is filled with peace and light
And love for Christ my King.
—Pliney A. Wiley

Yes, Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus

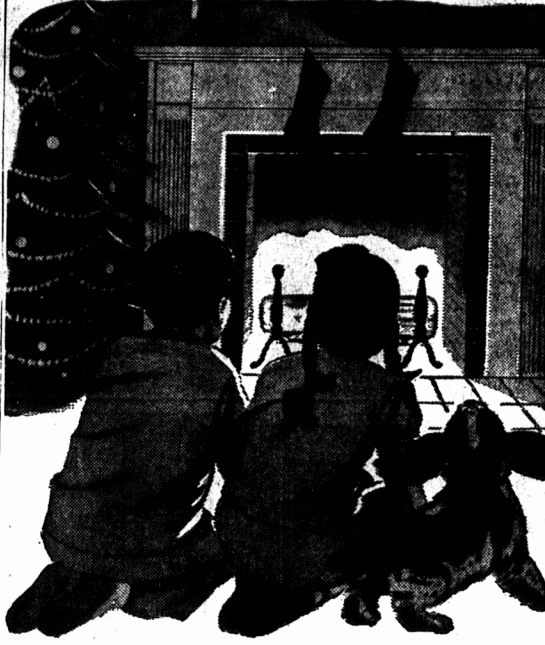
Is there a Santa Claus? Millions of children have asked that question, since visits from St. Nicholas began to be associated with the observance of Christmas. In 1897, one girl wrote to the editor of the New York Sun, asking him about Santa, and the next day an editorial appeared, an editorial that has been reprinted thousands of times since.

Here is that famous editorial: We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:
Dear Editor—I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, "If you see it in the Sun, it's so."

Please tell me the truth: Is there a Santa Claus?
VIRGINIA O'HANLON
115 West Ninety-Fifth Street
Virginia your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe unless they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours we are a mere insect, an ant, in their intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love, generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas, how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no joyment except in sense and sight.



This eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming, they would not see Santa Claus going. Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children or men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not. But that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive all the wonders there are unseen and unsee-

able in the world. You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the wisest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory behind it. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, may ten times ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

Letters To 'Santa Claus' Come From World Over

Postoffice officials in Santa Claus, Ind., are accustomed to overloaded sacks of mail during the pre-Christmas rush. Senders want their cards and gifts stamped with the famous Santa Claus postmark, plus thousands of wistful letters, "Santa Claus, Santa Claus, Ind."

And, then there is the annual crop of "Santa Claus" letters written by youngsters in far away places who haven't heard about Santa's permanent address in Indiana, U. S. A. At least a dozen versions of the time honored note-in-the-bottle story find their way into metropolitan newspapers every year.

The notes, sealed in small bottles and securely tied to Christmas trees, are discovered by Christmas tree takers, housewives, and even enlisted men at naval centers and military barracks; they come from places like Renous, a village in New Brunswick, Canada, boasting a total population of 85 inhabitants.

Bethlehem Sheep

(By Norman C. Schlichter)
The little sheep of Bethlehem
Were not afraid that night
When suddenly the angels sang
And all the skies were bright.

And when the shepherds went away
The Holy Child to see
I think the sheep knew well He would
Their Heavenly Shepherd be.

The peace that fell on earth that night
It fell on them, I know
And ever since He's shepherded
Dumb creatures here below.

The notes range from the wistful to the desperate, requesting such things as a mamma doll, a sled, a sweater, or a pair of over-shoes.

Christmas Greetings to all
J. ERSKINE CLARKE LTD.
John Deere Dealer
S/Side and Alberton

MERRY CHRISTMAS FOLKS!
Many thanks for your patronage during the past year.
Hardy's Men's and Boys' Wear
ALBERTON

We are delighted to take this opportunity to wish all our Friends and Customers a—
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
O'Leary Clothing and Footwear
O'LEARY

Greetings And Best Wishes For A MERRY CHRISTMAS From
Dean's Candy-Bar
Located at Carpenter's Jewellery Store
ALBERTON

Our Best Wishes
There is a time for every thing,
But now's the time to say,
The Merriest of Yuletides
Be yours this Christmas Day!
MATHESON'S DRUG STORE
O'LEARY

SEASON'S GREETINGS
—and to all of our friends and patrons the hope that we may continue to serve you for many a Christmas to come.
GORDON'S GARAGE
ALBERTON
Irving Oil Products

GREETINGS TO ALL!
To one and all may Christmas morn bring real happiness to every home and individual.
E. C. GAUDETTE & SONS
S. A. GAS AND OIL
TIGNISH

ALL THE BEST
All the best to all our Friends and Customers during the holiday season.
BARBOUR'S "Imperial ESSO" SERVICE STATION
Atlas Tires, Batteries and Accessories

Compliments of The Season
And may Good Health and Happiness be yours during the coming year.
Bud's Restaurant and 4U Dress Shop
ALBERTON

Merry Christmas
Many thanks to our Friends and Customers — and for their patronage during the past year.
Oliver's White Rose SERVICE STATION
ALBERTON

The Best Christmas ever is our sincere wish.
E. A. McCUE
ALBERTON
Dealer and Exporter of Farm Produce, also Coal

May your Christmas be filled with joy and happiness to last you throughout the coming year.
Matthews Meat Market
ALBERTON

Season's Greetings and our thanks for your patronage.
Callaghan's Variety and Fashion Shop
ALBERTON

With warmer, truer sentiment, These words have never been penned...
MERRY CHRISTMAS
CARPENTER'S
Jewellery Store
ALBERTON

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In Scandinavian countries the observance of Christmas often begins with an elaborate supper on Christmas Eve, followed by family worship and singing. Then gifts are distributed.

FRIENDLY GREETINGS EXTENDED TO ALL and may Christmas Day be filled with real joy
MATTHEW'S TURKEY FARM
ALBERTON

Season's Greetings
We extend a special wish to all our Friends and Customers for the Happiest Yuletide ever.
FOLEY'S STORE
ALBERTON

MERRY CHRISTMAS and may the NEW YEAR Be filled with Health and Happiness
J. W. DON CAMPBELL & STAFF
ALBERTON

BEST WISHES TO ALL
On every side glad greetings ring
But none are more sincere Than Merry, Merry Christmas, friendly And Happiest New Year.
K. R. MATTHEWS
Fresh Meats, Groceries and Feeds
ELMSDALE

Merry Christmas
The greeting falls from every tongue,
The dear old welcome words so sweet,
By far-off angel chorus sung
From baby lips in earthly street.
One message glad in heart and voice
Makes all the wide, wide earth rejoice:
Peace, "Peace on earth, good will to men!"
YOU CAN MAKE A BIG CHRISTMAS CANDLE
You can make a big, long-burning candle to fit into your Christmas decorations if you have a number of odds and ends of partly burned candles around the house. Melt them and pour into cardboard containers and remold. Use ice cream containers, oatmeal containers or others. Use plain cord for a wick. When the wax is beginning to set, tie the wick to a pencil and suspend it in the wax. Let set hard, remove carton and there is a nice candle for your table.

Let us wish you happiness once more the good old way
MERRY CHRISTMAS
Jelley's Dept. Store
O'LEARY

May We Wish You . . .
A Regular Old-Fashioned MERRY CHRISTMAS
O'Leary Farmers Co-operative ASSOCIATION LIMITED

Our Very Best Wishes — for a — Happy Holiday Season
E. C. PERRY
TIGNISH
Meats, Groceries, Christmas Candy and Fruit

An Age Old Wish Merry Christmas
No end of good wishes Or no end of good cheer At Christmas and for all the year.
MYRICKS SERVICE STATION
Irving and Irving Plus Gasoline
TIGNISH

To Old Friends and New Friends, it is our sincere wish Christmas will bring you every joy.
J. A. NOONAN
ALBERTON

GREETINGS!
Along with all the wonderful goodies in your Christmas stocking are our sincere wishes for a happy holiday.
B. & M. SUPER MARKET
Quality Meats and Groceries
ALBERTON

TO ONE And ALL A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
ROONEY FUNERAL HOME
ALBERTON

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Christmas Greetings
And a sincere thank you to all for past favors.
CYRIL and ROY LEARD
ALBERTON

TO ONE And ALL A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
ROONEY FUNERAL HOME
ALBERTON

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Irving and Irving Plus Gasoline
TIGNISH

GREETINGS FOLKS!
With sincere hope that the holidays be joyful, and a New Year of good fortune.
Robert E. Campbell
Dealer in Cattle, Shipping Hogs Every Tuesday.

Christmas Greetings
And a most sincere wish That 1936 be good to you and yours.
NICHOLSON'S PHARMACY
ALBERTON

TO ONE And ALL A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
ROONEY FUNERAL HOME
ALBERTON

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TIGNISH
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MYRICKS SERVICE STATION
Irving and Irving Plus Gasoline
TIGNISH

To You and Yours
We extend Yuletide Greetings to all
H. D. CORBETT
ALBERTON

Christmas Greetings
And a most sincere wish That 1936 be good to you and yours.
NICHOLSON'S PHARMACY
ALBERTON

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ROONEY FUNERAL HOME
ALBERTON

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TIGNISH
Meats, Groceries, Christmas Candy and Fruit

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MYRICKS SERVICE STATION
Irving and Irving Plus Gasoline
TIGNISH

We join good old St. Nick in wishing one and all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
MORRELL'S ICE Company
ALBERTON
Serving Western Prince County

Our wish to all our friends and Customers
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
REVILO DAIRY
ALBERTON

YULETIDE GREETINGS
May the Peace and Happiness of Christmas color all the New Year for you and yours.
MYRICKS ALBERTON LTD.
ALBERTON

Christmas Cheer
Here's a merry wish that Christmas Brings joy you'll never forget; And a hearty wish this New Year Is the very best one yet.
E. W. TURNER
Your Massey-Harris Dealer
Irving Oil Products
Alignment, Welding and Propane Gas
O'LEARY

Christmas Greetings
May Christmas day and every day Throughout the coming year Be filled with joy and happiness, Contentment and good cheer.
Tignish Co-operative Association
Co-Op "Esso" Service Station — Co-Op Drug Store
Co-Op Meat Market — Co-Op General Store