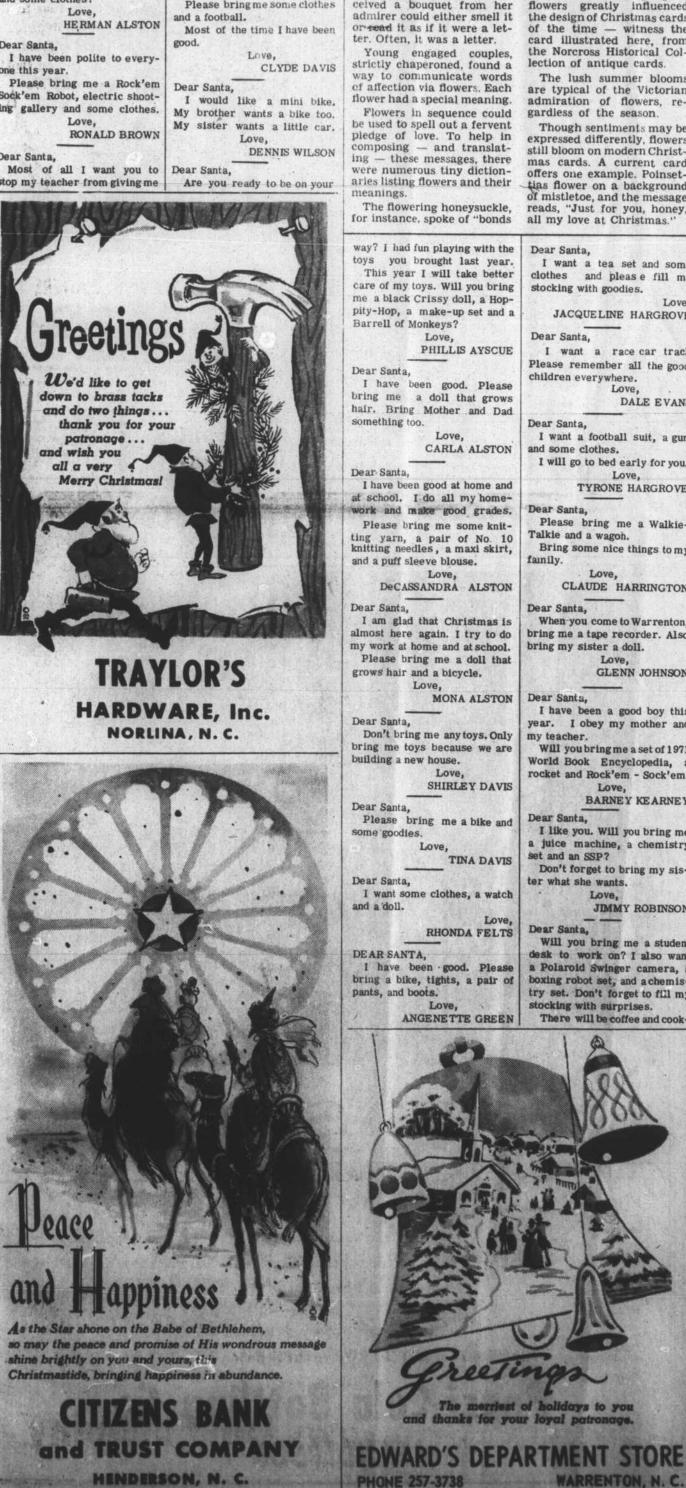


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Take these flowers, gemm'd with dew-drops. As a loving gift from me: May thy heart reflect their brightness And thy Christmas joyous be!

## Flowers Speak Language of Love In Modern or Victorian Era

Like holly, ivy and mistle- of love." A red rosebud told toe, flowers share in the legend and lore of Christmas. In terms of the Victorian era, the floral legend is an especially meaningful one.

A Victorian lady who received a bouquet from her admirer could either smell it or-read it as if it were a letter. Often, it was a letter. Young engaged couples,

strictly chaperoned, found a way to communicate words of affection via flowers. Each flower had a special meaning. Flowers in sequence could be used to spell out a fervent pledge of love. To help in

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

family.

Dear Santa,

and some clothes.

Talkie and a wagoh.

stocking with goodies.

children everywhere.

## heliotrope carried a bold message, "I love you." This Victorian language of flowers greatly influenced the design of Christmas cards of the time - witness the card illustrated here, from the Norcross Historical Collection of antique cards.

The lush summer blooms are typical of the Victorian admiration of flowers, regardless of the season.

Though sentiments may be expressed differently, flowers still bloom on modern Christmas cards. A current card offers one example. Poinsettias flower on a background of mistletoe, and the message reads, "Just for you, honey, all my love at Christmas.'

JACQUELINE HARGROVE

Love,

DALE EVANS

I want a race car track Please remember all the good

I want a football suit, a gun

I will go to bed early for you.

Please bring me a Walkie-

Bring some nice things to my

When you come to Warrenton,

Love,

GLENN JOHNSON

bring me a tape recorder. Also

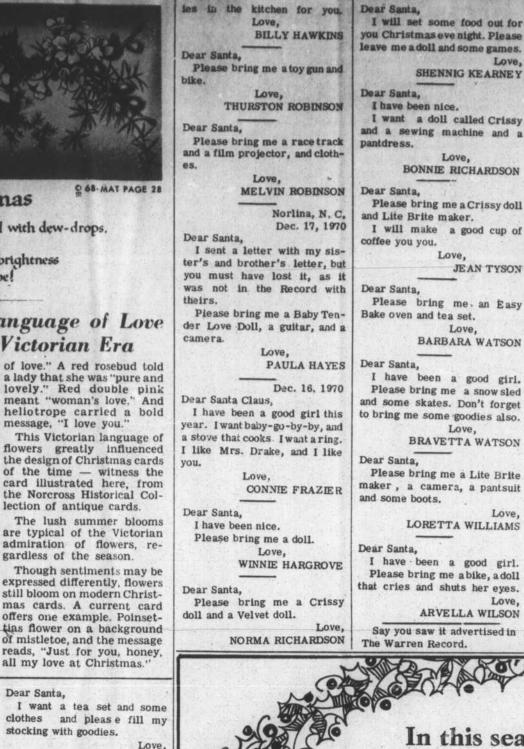
bring my sister a doll.

CLAUDE HARRINGTON

Love,

Love,

TYRONE HARGROVE



the first tree to grow again in areas where forest fires, Love, strip mining, or other circum-SHENNIG KEARNEY stances have stripped the land O'War. BONNIE RICHARDSON JEAN TYSON BARBARA WATSON BRAVETTA WATSON As joy and laughter fill the air during the Christmas season, we wish to take a moment to add our best wishes and thanks. Love. **NU-WAY SHOE** & BARGAIN SHOP - AND -Love, **IRENE and JOHN HOUSE** 

Warrenton, North Carolina

Forest workers call quaking of vegetation, the National Geoaspen the "disaster tree". It



## THE WARREN RECORD



Liove,	the second s
MONA ALSTON ear Santa, Don't bring me any toys. Only ing me toys because we are	Dear Santa, I have been a good boy this year. I obey my mother and my teacher. Will you bring me a set of 1971
ilding a new house. Love, SHIRLEY DAVIS ear Santa,	World Book Encyclopedia, a rocket and Rock'em - Sock'em. Love, BARNEY KEARNEY
Please bring me a bike and me goodies. Love, TINA DAVIS ear Santa, I want some clothes, a watch d a doll.	Dear Santa, I like you. Will you bring me a juice machine, a chemistry set and an SSP? Don't forget to bring my sis- ter what she wants. Love, JIMMY ROBINSON
Love, RHONDA FELTS EAR SANTA, I have been good. Please ing a bike, tights, a pair of ints, and boots. Love, ANGENETTE GREEN	Dear Santa, Will you bring me a student desk to work on? I also want a Polaroid Swinger camera, a boxing robot set, and a chemis- try set. Don't forget to fill my stocking with surprises. There will be coffee and cook-
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releast of holidays to you nd thanks for your loyal patronage.

WARRENTON, N. C.