

This Santa Claus Situation Can Be Serious

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There are more people around today doing bad imitations of Santa Claus than there are people doing good imitations of Hildegard, Al Jolson and Bette Davis.

This is a very serious situation, as can easily be seen, which is making it difficult even for adults to believe in Santa Claus.

Personally, through long practice, I am able to spot a phony Santa Claus from a distance of two blocks or the length of a department store. But even before I was an expert in the field, I was never in dirty cotton beards and outside suits soliciting Christmas alms on street corners.

Of course, I have met the good Saint Nick in stores many times, but I have also encountered some



bad actors pretending they were Santa. Imposters usually can be detected by a bored attitude and a certain lack of interest in the whole subject of toys.

Some people are even making a profitable business out of imitating Santa, which is pretty reprehensible when you realize that this is his busy season and he can't take time out to protect himself.

One man has opened a school to train people to become better imitation Santa Clauses. He has classes on how to paste a beard on properly, and how to stroke it thoughtfully without its becoming loose. He warns them not to smoke anything but a hookah because of the fire hazard. He teaches them how to laugh so their abdomens "shake like a bowl full of jelly," but what's more important he teaches them how to counteract, felt Santa's laugh. The proper guffaw, as I understand it, is "Ho-ho-ho-ha-ha." Seems untrained Santas are apt to go just "Ha-ha-ha."

I'm against this trend. But I'm more opposed to the way certain enterprises are implying that Santa Claus has changed his traditional methods of operation. Santa Claus has made no changes these many years except that in cities he will enter apartment dwellings without fireplaces by coming in a handy door or window. I also understand he had a bad time recently by landing in the middle of an oil burner, and is being a bit more careful about all types of chimneys these days.

Any time you see a purported picture of Santa riding in an airplane or automobile of any type, it is an unauthorized portrait and the central figure probably is one of the Santa imitators.

Santa Claus is an ageless, good-humored man who wears an unusual costume, lives at the North Pole, travels by sled and reindeer through the skies and brings toys on Christmas eve to good children.

Sachet Gifts

Some of the simplest, daintiest and least expensive Christmas gifts are those which are made with sachet. You can make pretty little satin hearts filled with sachet, handkerchief cases that are sachet scented, small sachet pillows for lingerie drawers, and quilted sachet hangers. In making these sachet gifts keep in mind that the sachet should be sandwiched in between cotton batting cut to the exact shape of the article.

JACQUIN'S
ROCK & BOURBON
CODE NO. 704
\$1.00
FULL PRIZE



News from
CEDAR ISLAND

Earl Styron of Bogue Inlet Coast Guard Station and Mrs. Styron of Otway spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Styron.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Daniels and children of Charlotte arrived here Friday night to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith and Mrs. Cleveland Daniels.

Mr. Mack L. Lupton of New Bern attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Riddle Day here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley A. Lupton of New Bern, RFD, spent the week-end here with relatives.

The ant puts solid food in a pocket back of its jaws. The food is squeezed, the juice is swallowed and the rest is thrown away.



Assorted Christmas
Candy
2 1-2 Lb. Can
\$1.00

"Comstock"
Pie Apples
2 No. 2 Cans
37c

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DON'T OVERLOOK THESE LAST-MINUTE ITEMS

"OCEAN SPRAY"
CRANBERRY SAUCE
Size 303
3 cans — **57c**

N. B. C. FRUIT CAKE
Dark — 5 Lb. — **\$4.98**

Hen Turkeys 12 to 14 Sizes lb. — 68c	Borden's Non-Such Mince Meat 1 12 Oz. Jar 44c
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FRUITS Oranges 8 lb. bag 45c Apples - - - lb. 12c Mixed Nuts, 1 lb. Cello - pkg. - - 44c	CIGARETTES All Popular Brands In Christmas Cartons \$1.44 Tax Included
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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU FROM YOUR FRIENDLY PENDER!
EDENFRUIT FANCY SHREDDED **COCOANUT** 8-Oz. **19c**
Cello
DEL MONTE FANCY WHOLE YELLOW CLING **SPICED PEACHES** No. 2 1/2 Jar **41c**
C S HAWAIIAN SLICED **PINEAPPLE** No. 2 Can **25c**
DEL MONTE OR LIBBY FANCY FRUIT **COCKTAIL** 2 17-Oz. Cans **37c**

U. S. NO. 1 JUICY FLORIDA ORANGES
5-Lb. Mesh **35c** 10-Lb. Bulk **49c** 20-Lb. Bulk **83c** 40-Lb. Mesh **\$1.59** Full Box **\$3.29**
WASHINGTON STATE or VIRGINIA WINEAPPLE **APPLES** - - - - **5 lbs. 49c**
Full Box . . . **\$3.95**
WASHINGTON DOUBLE-RED DELICIOUS **APPLES** - - - - **5 lbs. 55c**
Full Box . . . **\$4.39**
TANGERINES - - - - **5 lbs. 49c**
DRESSED AND DRAWN FANCY **TURKEYS** HENS **65c** TOMS **53c**
DUCKS - - - - **lb. 59c**
HENS - - - - **lb. 49c**
HAMS FRESH SMOKED **lb. 47c**
CURED **lb. 51c**

NABISCO RITZ CRACKERS - - lb. **38c**
GA. WILD SWEET MIX PICKLES - - 22 oz. **29c**
PEANUT BUTTER PETER PAN - - 12 oz. **37c**
NESTLES CHOCOLATE MRSSELS - - pkg. **21c**
STRAINED BABY FOODS CLAPP'S - - 4 jars **38c**
HEINZ TOMATO KETCHUP - - 14 oz. **27c**
POTATO CHIPS GORDON - - 5 oz. **29c**
SOUTHERN MANOR FRUIT CAKE - - 2 1/2 lb. box **\$1.79**
CHOCOLATE COVERED CHERRIES - - lb. **51c**
SWEET CLUSTER RAISINS - - 12-oz. **29c**

We Have A Complete Assortment of Holiday **CANDIES AND NUTS**

AP Christmas Foods
ANN PAGE FOODS A&P'S FINEST

5-Lb. Cake \$3.85	Ann Page Stuffed Olives 2-oz. Bot. 25c
Marvel Bread 1 1/2-lb. Loaf 18c	Ann Page Salad Dressing Qt. Jar 39c
Marvel Dinner Rolls 1 Doz. 10c	Ann Page Grape Jam 2-lb. Jar 45c
Jane Parker Angel Food Bar 1/2 Doz. 49c	Ann Page Vanilla Extract 1-oz. Bot. 17c
Jane Parker Plain Pound Cake 1/2 Doz. 49c	Ann Page Tomato Soup 2 10 1/2-oz. Cans 19c
Jane Parker Sugar Donuts 1-Doz. 19c	Ann Page Nutmeg 2-oz. Jar 19c
Jane Parker Merry Christmas Layer Cake 1 Layer 75c	Ann Page Butter 16-oz. Jar 35c

A & P STORES WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY MON. DEC. 26th

Ann Page Gelatin Desserts
Sparkle 3 Pkgs. **20c**
Ann Page with Pork & Tom Sauce
Beans 2 16-oz. Can **19c**
Ann Page Strawberry Preserves 16-oz. Jar **41c**
Ann Page Chocolate or Vanilla Sparkle Pudding Pkg. **5c**

TURKEY HENS And Toms Under 17 Lbs. **lb. - 65c**
TURKEY TOMS and Hens 17 Lbs. and Over Half or Whole **lb. - 49c**
Loin or Rib End **PORK ROAST** **lb. - 33c**

KINGAN'S RELIABLE SMOKED SKINNED **HAMS** - - - - Whole **lb. 45c**
Half Or

SMALL SKINNED **PORK HAMS** - - - **lb. 45c**
MORRELL'S PRIDE SMOKED **PICNICS** - - - 4 to 6 Lb. Average **lb. 33c**
BONELESS & FATTED SMALL COOKED **CANNED HAMS** - **lb. 79c**
BONE IN WHOLE COOKED - 8 to 10 Lb. Avg. **HAMS** - - - - Fruit **lb. 69c**
Decorated

CORNED HAMS - - **lb. 51c**
TOPPINGS COUNTRY **SAUSAGE** - - - - **lb. 54c**
DRESSED AND DRAWN **HENS** - - - - **lb. 49c**
DRESSED AND DRAWN **FRYERS** - - - - **lb. 47c**
Jones Sausage Meat **lb. 45c**

Raisins - - - - Lb. **17c**
Mincemeat - - - 8-Oz. Pkg. **15c**
Cranberry Sauce 16-oz. Can **17c**
Iona Sliced or Halves
Peaches - - - - No. 2 1/2 Can **25c**
Niblets Brand
Corn - - - - - 12-oz. Can **16c**
A & P Green & White
Asparagus - - - No. 2 Can **40c**
A & P Fancy Tiny
Peas - - - - - No. 2 Can **27c**
Campbell's
Tomato Soup 2 10 1/2-oz. Cans **21c**
A & P
Apple Sauce 2 No. 3 Cans **25c**
Golden Maid Colored
Margarine - - - 1-lb. Pkg. **30c**
Crisco or Snowdrift 1-lb. Can **82c**
Rajah Shredded
Coconut - - - - 8-oz. Pkg. **27c**
White House Wrap.
Milk - - - - - 3 Tall Cans **33c**

Holiday Fruits
Rome Apples 5-LB. BOX **43c**
WESTERN BOX DELICIOUS Apples - - - - 4 lbs. **43c**
Celery - - large stalk **12c**
Tomatoes - - - - lb. **15c**
Tangerines - - 2 lbs. **17c**
Oranges - - 8-lb. bag **35c**
Oranges - 1-4 box bag **83c**
RED EMPEROR Grapes - - - 2 lbs. **23c**
54'S - 64'S
Grapefruit - - - 4 for **29c**
Cranberries - - - 1-lb. cello **19c**
Cocoanuts - - - - lb. **7c**
Chestnuts - - - - - lb. **15c**
White Cabbage - - - 2 lbs. **9c**

NUTS
Brazil - - - - 1-lb. Pkg. **29c**
Walnuts - - - - 1-lb. Pkg. **39c**
Pecans - - - - 1-lb. Pkg. **37c**
Mixed - - - - 1-lb. Pkg. **35c**
Fresh Eggs - 1-Doz. Ctn. **49c**
Cheese - - - - lb. **43c**
Cream Cheese 1-oz. Pkg. **16c**
Vera Sharp - - 1-oz. Pkg. **28c**
Valveata - - - 1-lb. Pkg. **28c**

Christmas Mix 1-lb. **25c**
Sticks - - - - 10-oz. **20c**
Mints - - - - 1-lb. **37c**
Drops - - - - 1-lb. **27c**
Cherries - - - 1-lb. **45c**
Creams - - - - 1-lb. **29c**

Chocolates Christmas Wrapped **59c** **\$1.15**
5 lb. box **\$2.85**

Cocktail Peanuts 1/2 Can **30c**
MIXED PICKLES 17c

BOB'S Christmas Mix
2-lb. jar - **99c**
BOB'S Giant Sticks
22-oz. - **45c**
BOB'S Mint Lumps
1-lb. - **27c**

Really Fresh A&P COFFEE
Milk & Mellow **8 O'CLOCK** 1-lb. **59c** 3 lb. **\$1.71**
Milk & Full Bodied **Red Circle** 1-lb. **63c**
Victrola & Wines **BOKAR** 1-lb. **65c** 3 lb. **\$1.89**

NECTAR TEA 1/2-lb. Pkg. **27c**
A&P Selection RAISINS 15-oz. Pkg. **15c**

