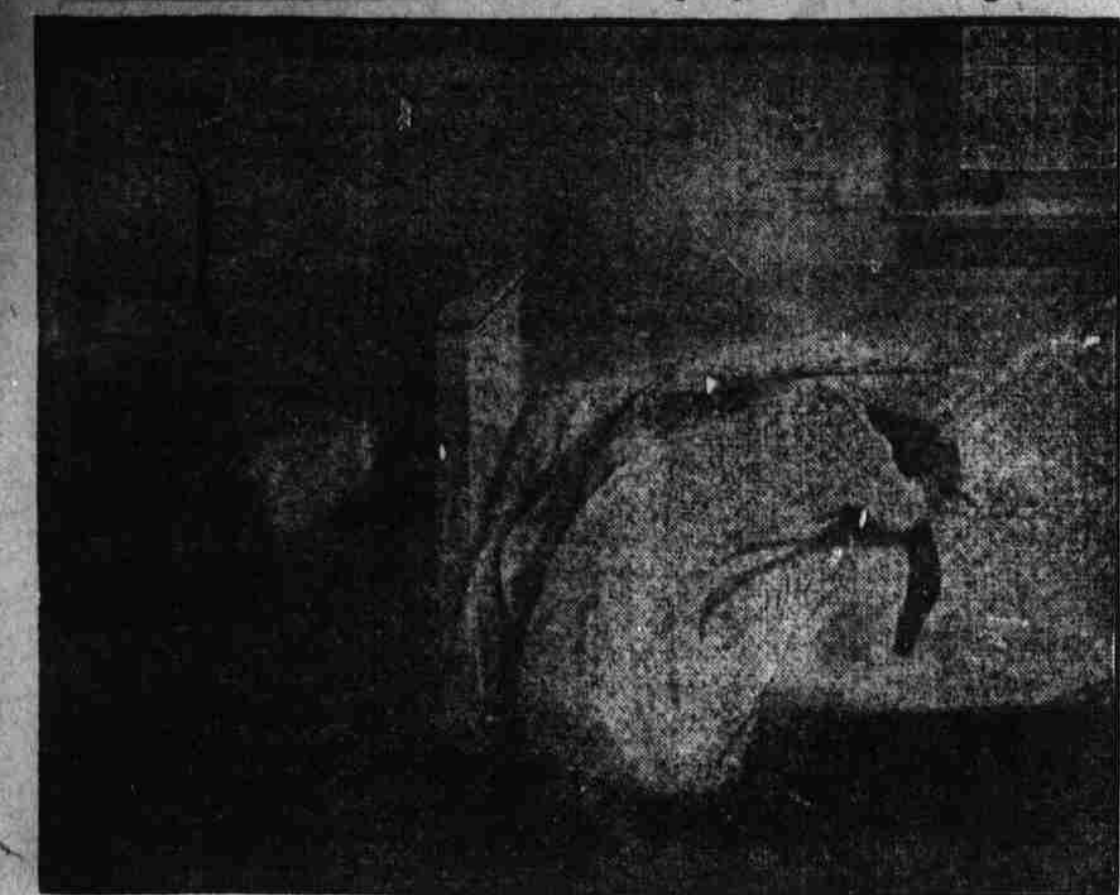


Remember the Empty Stocking



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SANTA CLAUS' MAIL

Santa Claus' Mail to The Gazette-News closed today. No other letters to Santa Claus addressed to The Gazette-News will be printed this Christmas.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl eight years old, and I want you to bring me a doll and carriage and a box of Old Maid and a table and a little stove and some pans, a little dinner basket and some chairs, and a muff and fur, Well, Santa Claus, I will have to close. Good-bye. Your friend,
ADABELLE SHITTLE.

Dear Santa:
I am a good little boy nearly 10 years old. I want a little red horn, a good knife and a little red wagon, some firecrackers, an airgun, a little horse. Well, that is all. Good-bye.
GEORGE WILSON.

Dear Santa:
I am a good little boy. Please bring

me a large engine that I can sit in and ride with a bell on it, like the one up town. A drum, a horn and a hose cart. You can bring me anything else that is nice. Please try to read my letter as I am so anxious to get these few things. Your little friend,
MASTER N. LANGE.

Dear Santa Claus:
I will write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want you to bring me a pair of skates and a great big doll with brown hair and a box of candy, some games and a fur and muff, bananas, dates, radishes, and nuts, grapes, oranges, candy, apples, coconuts, and pineapples. I will close now. From your friend,
OLLIE DIXON.

Dear Santa:
I want you to bring me a dinner set, a little table to put my dishes on when I play with them. Bring me a pocket. Bring me a doll and a bed

and a few dresses, bring it some white slippers and stockings, candies, nuts, oranges, and anything you would like to bring a little girl like me. Your friend,
EAY COOK.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl four years old. I want you to bring me a new doll that can open and shut her eyes, and a little bed for her to sleep in, three dresses for her, please bring me a little trunk to put her clothes in, bring me candy, oranges, nuts, and anything else you wish. Your little girl,
EDNA COOK.

Dear Santa:
I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a ruler to draw with at school, a bracelet and a neck-lace, a doll that can open and shut her eyes. Please bring my dollie a little bed and also a few dresses, bring it a trunk, candy, nuts, bananas and oranges, anything else you think would be nice for a little girl 9 years old. Your friend,
BERTHE COOK.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 9 years old. I want you to bring me a doll and cart, a coat and hat, and candy, nuts and oranges, and don't forget my little sister, she wants a doll, little broom and a stove. Remember papa and mama. Your little friend,
EDITH MURPHY.

Dear Santa Claus, our Gazette-News:
I am a little girl, soon will be six years old. Have a little sister, soon will be two years old. We both have tried very hard to be good little girls so I want you to please bring me a big doll and a nice Christmas tree. Sister also wants a doll and some candy, also do not forget all good little boys and girls. By-by.
ELEANOR RETH GROVE.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a good little boy nearly three years old. I want a little red horn, a big Lacy doll like Aunt Della's, a little pony, a hatchet for papa want let me have his; a fire wagon, some firecrackers, candy, chewing gum, nuts and all kinds of fruits; please don't forget little sister, bring her something nice. Grandpa Pinner has come to spend Christmas; don't forget him. Good-bye. Your little boy,
GEORGE CANADA.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy seven years old and want you to bring me a wagon and a gun and a pair of gloves and a story book. Please bring me a top. Bring me some oranges, nuts and candies. Your little boy,
ALLEN OWENS.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy eight years old. Please bring me a wagon and a horn and a gun. Bring me a story book and a sled and some oranges, nuts and candies. Your little boy,
GRADY OWENS.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 4 years old. I want a doll, a ball and some building blocks and some fruit and candy. Your little girl,
HESTER KILLIAN.

Dear Santa:
I have been such a good girl this year, please bring me what I ask you for: a cook stove, a lamp, a wash stand and a bureau, a toilet and a

real pretty doll, and of course don't forget to fill my stocking and dress my tree, and bring lot of good things to eat. Bring little Hartmann something, too. Good-by.
DOROTHY DILLINGHAM.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 8 years old. I want you to bring me a big doll and a doll go-cart, work box and a nice book and some fruit and candy. Your friend,
THELMA KILLIAN.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 4 years old. I am from Louisville, Ky. This is my first Christmas here. Please bring me a big doll and carriage, a little trunk with a little negro in it, so when I open it it will holler: dandy, oranges and nuts, you need not bring me any apples, mama buys them from the wagon. I live on Asheland avenue, 163, please find the place. Your friend,
JESSIE BLANFORD.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 29, 1910.
I have been a very good little boy all this year. I am tired of wearing a red wig, will you please bring me a black one. Just think how you would like to wear a red wig all the time, now please bring me a black one. I am very fond of candy, but I love chocolate the best, and please bring lots of nuts and oranges and raisins. Please bring me a little tin elephant. I want a little drum and a jack in the box. Please bring me a little pair of red boots with bicycle on the top, and please bring me a U. S. Mail wagon. Please bring me a way to ride on the snow. Now I believe that is all, so good bye. I am your little friend,
MITTIE HILL.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy 5 years old, I want you to bring me a drum and horn, a cap pistol, a ball and some fruit and candy. Your friend,
FRANK KILLIAN, JR.

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Evening Dresses 25 per cent Off	Ladies' Fur Coats 25 per cent Off	Neck Pieces, Etc. 25 per cent Off	All Dress Skirts 20 per cent Off
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The Special Prices Are Drawing the Christmas Shoppers to This Busy Store

The new holiday stocks and the price concessions that are awaiting you here should prove sufficient inducement for you to favor us with a goodly share of your gift buying. We bought liberally in anticipation of a big holiday business, in fact we fully expected to be open at least a month earlier than we were able to move in to our present quarters and it is absolutely necessary for us to make up for the delayed disposal of this tremendous stocks of goods which was carefully selected by our buyers for November and December selling.

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- Up to \$57.50 Ladies' and Misses' Suits reduced to \$25
- \$7.50 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to \$4.95
- \$12.50 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to \$7.50
- \$15 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to \$10.00
- \$25 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to \$14.95
- \$35 Ladies' and Misses' Coats reduced to \$19.50
- \$5 Children's Long Coats reduced to \$3.98
- \$7.50 Children's Long Coats reduced to \$4.98
- Up to \$15 Children's Long Coats reduced to \$7.95
- Up to \$20 Ladies' Caricel Coats reduced to \$13.75

Ladies' Pure Silk Umbrellas with Pearl Handle, Silver and Gold Ornamented, regular \$10 umbrella, special for \$5.00

Men's and Children's Umbrellas, Silk, Flannel and Crepe Kimonos, Leather and Velvet Bags, Silk and Lisle Hose, Silk and Lace Scarfs, Ladies', Men's and Children's Handkerchiefs, Ladies' and Children's Gloves, Silk Waists, Linen Waists, Clifton Waists, Hand Embroidered Underwear, Blankets, Quilts, Comfortables, Jewelry, Barrettes, Back Combs, Tara's Ladies' Neckwear, Perfumes and Toilet Articles.

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"SHOP EARLY AND AVOID THE RUSH"

At Least Three Men Will Appreciate This Advice When Next Christmas Rolls Around.

"Mail your packages early and avoid the rush." At least three men will appreciate this advice and act on it next year.

Every one has heard of the woman who, when she was asked for her ticket by the conductor, went through so many steps, each one supposed to lead her so much nearer to the ticket; how she opened her bag, took out her pocket book, shut the bag and opened the pocket book, etc., etc., taking several minutes to complete the process. That was not so bad; the conductor was paid to take tickets and had nothing better to do.

Yesterday afternoon at the post-office, a long line of men and women stood before the stamp window getting stamps and having packages weighed. A man had the right of way, and lucky for him that he did; he had two or three packages weighed; purchased the stamps and withdrew to mix them, the whole transaction consuming a little more than a quarter of a minute.

A lady came next, at least a chivalrous man yielded her his place. She had five packages and laid them all under the window one at a time. When they were weighed, she took her purse out of a muff, laid the muff down, opened her purse and the clerk to compute the total amount of postage, took out some money, shut the purse and put it into the muff. She then bought the stamps and handed them to the clerk

to put on the packages. They were politely handed back to her. She then gathered up her change took her purse out of the muff, put the change in the purse and the purse into the muff, which she carefully laid down again. She now picked up the stamps but in the meantime had forgotten how many went to each package. The clerk called her attention to the fact that the amount for each package was marked on it. After doing various sums in mental arithmetic, she finally applied the stamps where they belonged as well as anyone could tell. About this time it transpired that one of the packages had writing in it and would require additional postage and for a wonder she remembered which it was.

Nervous prostration was threatening three or four men and perhaps some women when she picked up her muff, placed one hand in it, gathered up her skirts, and composedly moved away.

Only One "BROMO QUININE." That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. Grove. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

Rowan Farmer Loses Barn by Fire. Salisbury, Dec. 23.—The splendid barn of Jed E. Roseman, at Cleveland, this county, together with contents, was destroyed at 6:30 Wednesday.

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EXPECT NEW ROYAL BABY IN ENGLAND NEXT MONTH. This Will Be the First Birth in Buckingham Palace in Fifty-Four Years. London, Dec. 23.—Queen Mary's attachment is expected in March. This will be the first birth at Buckingham palace in 54 years. The last child born to King George and Queen Mary was Prince John Charles on July 12, 1905.

Valuation of \$115,000,000 Placed on Railroad Property. Portland, Ore., Dec. 23.—A valuation of \$115,000,000 is placed upon the railroad property which will be absorbed by the Oregon-Washington railroad, recently organized to take over the Harriman properties in the northwest.

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