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hom the Readers Digest that strike that touched both of Christmas for us

ristmas morning my lit-ter was downstairs openbuckages before anyone out of bed. To my surbeard her singing the Birthday song, "Happy on Christmas Morning. amused, that while she e of festivity in the air confused as to the occaat as she sang on I realized who had been confused, Birthday. Dear Jesus," the e caroled. "Happy Birth-

hat is after all the heart of We rejoice in the hapfothers. With the mantle coming down on this and this Christmas, after bloodshed and tears, we in His Heaven, He will, as down on Mankind, have a hirthday." If we do not season with joy, with a theat ourselves, no matmall our part, we may on His happy birthday; our hearts.

py Ending ourtroom

YORK-John Hughes, 27 driver, was sullen and en be entered Bronx magourt recently on bigamy but he left in smilesdildren, his wife and anwman be is charged with g bigamously.

ufe, Florence, who made ges hired a lawyer to den sobbed that she did not press the charges. Augistrate Samuel Orr set or 19, for a hearing and 00 bail. Florence offered

Alice A Alex of Chicago, lighes was charged with

illegally last month, encourt. The two women and went children, Joan, five, and

k two, tugging at his

YES, VIRGINIA

Back in 1897, little Virgin a O'Handon wrote the following letter to the editor of the New York Sun: "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?" The editor wrote a newspaper and literary classic in reply to the childish pleas. It is reprinted

"Virginia your little triends are aroung They have been Luckily the building had been Shaw, an engineering manufacturithe Air Forces at the Separation affected by the skepticism of a keptical age-they do not believe except what they see-they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensive by their little minds.

"All minds. Virginia whether they be meres or children's, are little. "In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him as measured by the crash through the door as But he's not doing much business. following posts before being sent the servicemen's bride-to-be who is by the intelligence capable of graspine the whole of truth and knowl-

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus,

"He exists as certainly as here and 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 it there were no Santa gum street in a mad rush, ripping itive price list Dec. 3. Now, he has Kearns, Utah, and Seattle, Wash. Claus! It would be as dreary as it there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairles! on Christmas Even to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see on Christmas Eve to eacth Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor 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 or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable 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 strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and

"Is it all real"—ah Virginia in all this world there is nothing else real

"No Santa Claus! Thank God!- he lives and he lives forevera thousand years from now, Virgina, nay, for thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood

Don't Worry About What The G.I. Will Eat On Christmas Day

son, brother, or friend as in an or he may be at a separation cen-Army post-camp or claffor in the "" vacating out his discharge But. southeastern states on Christians of hes there on Christmas day for se's going to cut turses, and plenty examer he if met an opportunity to

Matthew H. Jones Quartermaster, Fourth Service Command, who points to the master ment com- Roast Turkey Dressing, Gravy in all Army mess halls, which specs was freed in bail and lifes 160 pounds of turkey for every threen, Peas 100 men.

That soldier may be newly inhe walked out of court ducted and in the process of training. He may be assessed to a post

To our faithful old friends and our

cherished new friends, we say

HRISTMAS

privilege to add to its success.

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flore's the Christmas dinner

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Lettuce Saiad French Dressing Celery, Olives, Pickles Hot Rolls and Butter Hot Mince Pie and Cheese

Coffee **有数位数位数位数位数位数位数位数位数位数位数** Candy, Assorted Fruits, Nuts

Gardenia Bush To Keep Son's Memory Fragrant

CAMP WHEELER, Ga .-- In the spring of 1943 Lieutenant Harold E. Winn picked a flower from a gardenia bush here and pinned it on his mother's coat.

A few minutes later he said good-bye and was off to the wars. At St. Lo be was killed in action. The saddened mother, Mrs. George Winn, of Marion, Ky., recently wrote army officials here that memories of her son were now closely woven with the frag-

If I could but have a plant of the gardenia to grow outside my ouse," her letter said

ng the precise plant from which young lieutenant had picked farewell gift to his mother. entomologist was called to inspect the bush. Then it was packed, 150 pounds, for delivery to Mrs. Winn recently

Lieutenant William H. Pearce on detached service at the Infantry Replacement Training Center from the 5th Red Diamond Division, at Camp Campbell, Ky., will present

Buy an extra Victory bond. It's

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Deer Crashes Door Of Store In Plate Glass

DURILAM-An eight-point deer recently smashed through a plate glass door of a store on Cleveland O. P. A. Trouble street at North Burham Five

repair shop that had occupied it, mas stock that includes 2 600 new which he went to Elmer, N. J., to by L. A. Tomlinson, was damaged carriages and 100 wagons. He also Haywood county.

bour later two blocks away near Sgt. Arthur W. Buff the corner of Royboro and Dowd itteets Police were called at 4.30 gave up the search at 5 o'clock.

Police officers supposed the deer

NEWARK, N. J.-Charles R.

blood was spattered with the glass | Mr. Shaw can't make a sale until overseas: Atlantic City, Madison, unsure when or where she will set on the floor inside. Instead of com- the Office of Price Administration Wis., where he attended a radio up housekeeping. Gifts can be ing out through the door, the nerv- has approved his price list. After mechanics school and from there cards, pencils, tallies, bridge cloth, ous animal crashed the plate-glass several encounters with official re- was sent to Orlando, Fla., for an napkins window and headed un down Man- guirements, he submitted his defin- advanced radio course, later to through a fence at a nearby resi-, been informed by OPA he can com- He has served in the Aleutians mence selling if twenty days pass for 24 months and altogether had, seaweed products industry, in which

Discharged From AAF

had come from the Camp Butner wood county, who was inducted in medal. the service in July, 1942, at Fort Dix, has received his discharge tribution station in Miami Beach, which was stranded on the beach from the service. Sgt. Buff is the sea of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Buff. of the Maggie section.

He received his discharge from vacated last week by the radio er, of 143 Broadway, has a Christ- Center of Newark, N. J., after and only the building itself, owned tricycles, 1,000 scooters, 600 doll join his wife before coming to

The deer evidently was wounded has plenty of potential customers. He received his training at the

He was sighted again about an with no objections to the prices 39 months in the service and is British research is outstanding

entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pecific Whale Trouble theater ribbon with one battle star for the tattle of Attu and Kisha

the good conduct medal, the Amer Sergeent Arthur W Buff, of Hay- loan theater and the Victory

> Jersey, where he will be en:ployed by the Hocking Glass Corporation. a position he held at the time he

> > Bridge Shower

entered the service.

Seaweed Industry Scotland is planning to develop a little daughter,

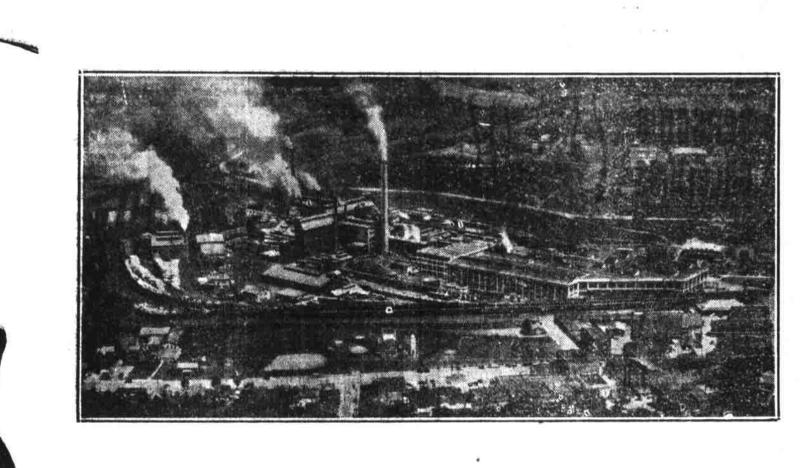
In New Jersey

BELMAR, N. J.-Residents of the area near Bradley Beach, an-After his return from overseas moved by the presence of a twohe was sent to the air force redis- ton, fifty-eight-fool dead whale and then to Walterboro, S. C. He during a storm early in the week, plans to make his home in New enjoyed visions of relief when Wednesday's storm set the carcass adrift, but not for long. The whale again went aground in an inlet of the Terrace Lagoon. New they must wait until the weather improves, whereupon a Coast Guard cutter will tow the whale to sea.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their sympathy and kindness and the beautiful flowers during the illness and at the time of the death of our darling

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Merry Christmas

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