

### Santa Claus Letters

**Coaster.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a little boy four years old and I want you to bring me a nice coaster wagon and lots of pretty things, also, lots of fruits, candy and nuts.  
Your little friend,  
Ralph Morehead, Ella Mill.

**Little Train.**  
Dear Santa Claus:  
I am writing you what to bring me. I am a little boy 6 years old and going to school and love my books. Please bring me a little train with two coaches, also a tricycle, some oranges and candy.  
J. C. Buff, Casar.

**Talking Machine.**  
Dear Santa—I am a nboing that you will bring me a talking machine and a pair of gloves for Christmas. Please don't forget my little brother William, Jr., daddy and mother.  
Your little friend,  
Ruby Walker, Lawndale.

**Doll And Tricycle.**  
Dear Santa:—Will write and tell you what we two want for Christmas. Evelyn wants a great big baby doll that will cry and call her mama and I want a red tricycle, of

course we both want lots of candy, nuts and all kind of fruits.  
With love,  
Evelyn and Jack, Mooresboro.

**Little Wagon.**  
Dear Santa:—I want you to bring me a little wagon and a watch, apples, oranges and all kinds of nuts and don't forget my little brothers and sisters and be sure and don't forget the poor children.  
Your friend,  
Hershel Wilson, Shelby, R-8.

**Wants Tricycle.**  
Dear Santa:—I am a big boy three years old. I want you to please bring me a tricycle, pretty cap, a store with chewing gum and candy in it, a pony, apples and oranges.  
Good night,  
Harvey Elliott, Lawndale R-2.

**Doll Carriage.**  
Dear Santa—I want to ask you for a carriage for my doll and anything else you wish to bring.  
Don't forget my little sisters Louise and Ruth. Please bring Louise a tea set and Ruth a baby doll. Be sure and don't forget mama and daddy. Bring them something.  
Your friend,  
Davis Bridges, Blacksburg.

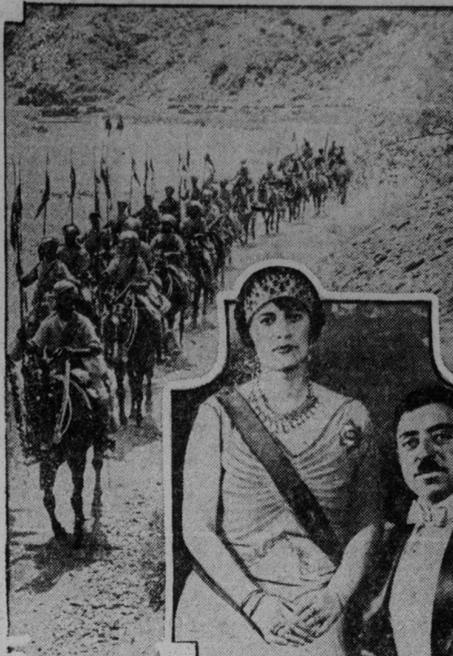
**Wagon.**  
Dear Santa:—I am a little boy six years old. I want you to bring me a wagon, lots of toys, candy, nuts and good things to play with.  
Yours truly,  
Claton Ellis, Lincolnton R-2.

**Tricycle.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I want you to bring me a big tricycle and a knife, fruits, apples, candy, nuts and I want some sparklers to.  
With love, Old Santa,  
Spencer Summey.

**Tea Set.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little girl six years old. I want a doll, a tea set and a kiddie car, some fruit, nuts, candy and grapes.  
Alma Silver, Shelby.

**Car-Football.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I want you to bring me a cap buster, a little car and football, apples, oranges, nuts and candy and don't forget the

### Troops Mutiny, Ruler in Flight



Enraged at "westernization" orders of King Amanullah and his royal consort, Queen Souriya (inset), units of Afghanistan's army rebelled and chased their majesties into hiding. The photo shows a patrol of Sepoys on duty near Kabul in the Autumn of 1925, at which time Amanullah had another uprising on his lands.

other little boys and girls and daddy and mama.  
Your little boy,  
Ralph Boyles, Toluca.

**Bed And Doll**  
Dear Santa:—I want you to bring me a bed, doll, oranges, candy and a little dresser for my baby doll.  
Your friend,  
Izene Wright, Shelby R-5.

**Piano-Doll.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I want you to bring me a doll, a doll bed, and a piano, and lots of fruits and candy.  
Yours truly,  
Mabel Davis, Shelby.

**Dress.**  
Dear Santa:—Please bring me some apples, oranges. Santa send me a new dress, a doll. I am nine years old. Please don't forget my playmates and my school mates.  
Lots of love,  
Corene Costner, Shelby R-6.

**Book Satchel**  
Dear Santa:—I want you to bring me a doll, one that will open and close its eyes, a book satchel, bed room slippers, also fruits and candies.  
Your little friend,  
Louise Smith, Cleveland Cloth Mill, House No. 5.

**Little Truck.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I want you to bring me a little truck for Christmas, some candy, oranges and nuts.  
Horace Wright.

**Doll Bed and Ring**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I want a doll and bed and bring some candy, fruits and nuts. Please Santa don't forget sisters and brothers. Remember sick and poor folks.  
Your little friend,  
Beatrice Blanton, Shelby R-4

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Your little friends,  
Billie Gus and Carl Fredrick Lynn, Shelby, Box 321.

**Wants Gloves.**  
Dear Santa:—Please bring me some gloves and apples, oranges, candies and all kinds of nuts.  
Truly,  
Dorothy Bridges, Shelby R-5.

**Train-Skates.**  
Dear Santa:—I would like to have a little train on a track. I also want a pair of skates. I want some nuts, apples, oranges.  
Santa please remember the little

so many little children looking for something. Please bring me a knife with a chain on it, some fruits, nuts and candy.  
Your little friends,  
James Blanton, Lincolnton.

**A Train.**  
Dear Santa:—Where have you been? I would like for you to visit me more often, but I know you can't. I must tell you what I want you to bring me. A train and a bag of nuts, candy and some fruits. Please don't forget my little brothers and sister, remember to leave something for mother and dad.  
Love,  
Hubert Greene, Shelby.

**Tricycle-Wagon**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little boy three years old. I want you to please bring me a tricycle, a wagon, and some candy and nuts. I want you to remember little sister, please bring her a little doll and some candy. Don't forget all of the other little boys and girls.  
Your friend,  
Edwin Tillman, Lawndale R-2

**Wrist Watch.**  
Dear Santa:—I am a little girl six years old just started to school, but I know you are a jolly good fellow. I just want to tell you what I want you to bring me. I want plenty of candy and nuts and fruit and a wrist watch and a baby doll and a carriage. So please remember the poor children and my brothers and sisters and daddy and mother.  
Yours truly,  
Velmer Ledford, Lawndale.

**Tea Set.**  
Dear Santa:—I want a doll, pair of gloves and a tea set. Also lots of apples and oranges and candy.  
Inez Mauney, Shelby, R-5.

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fruit and candy of all kind. My brother Jack wants you to bring him a tricycle and Babe Ruth. I have a little tiny baby brother, so don't forget him.  
Hilda Herndon, Grover.

**Piano.**  
Dear Santa:—Please bring me some candy, apples, oranges, nuts, raisins and just anything else that you want to bring me and I certainly will appreciate it if you will bring me a little piano.  
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Jessie Frances Davis, Ellenboro, R-3.

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# Christmas Greetings

We wish to take this opportunity to extend the Season's Greetings to our Friends and Customers.

That each and every one may have the true Christmas Spirit, with love, peace and good will abiding in your hearts, is our Christmas wish. May the trials and worries of the year vanish for a season and joy in the happiness of youth in its holiday mood, give place to gleams and worry.

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**Sleepy Doll.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little girl four years old. I want you to bring me a baby doll, one that can open and shut its eyes, plenty of oranges, apples and candy for Christmas. Good bye till Christmas.  
Your little friend,  
Jewel Blanton, Dover Mill.

**Mesh Bag.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I want you to bring me a mesh bag, baby doll and a basketball, and some candy, fruit and nuts.  
My name is Helen Wilson, Shelby.

**Knife-Chair.**  
Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little boy six years old. I go to school, I'm in the primer. I like my teacher fine. Her name is Miss Yoder. I don't want very much as there are

**PUBLICATION OF SUMMONS.**  
North Carolina, Cleveland County. In the Superior Court, Before the Clerk.  
Liler Shannon, Plaintiff  
vs.  
Ed Samuel Shannon Defendant.  
To Ed Samuel Shannon, non-resident defendant:  
You are hereby notified that an action, as above entitled, has been instituted in the superior court of Cleveland county, N. C., against you by the plaintiff, in which she is asking for an absolute divorce upon the ground of adultery, and you are further notified that a verified complaint has been filed in my office and that you are hereby required to appear and answer same on or before December 17, 1923, at my office in Shelby, N. C., or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.  
Hereof fail not and of this summons make due return.  
Witness my hand and seal, this November 12, 1923.  
A. M. HAMRICK, Clerk Superior Court, Cleveland County.

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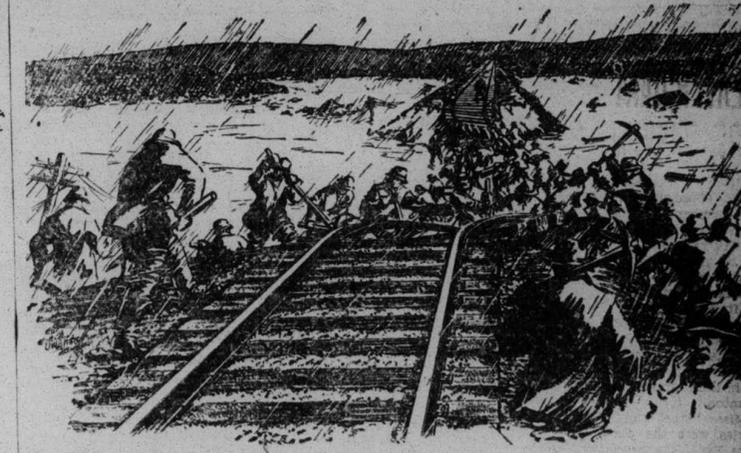


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