



THIS MAY BE the post office's biggest Christmas. The postmaster general estimates that more Christmas mail—packages and cards—will be handled in 1952 than in any previous year. With this in mind, the post office department has hired extra employees and arranged for use of extra trucks for the holiday period.

The post office is Santa Claus' good right arm. It delivers gifts and greetings throughout the world, and it will do its best to get them there by December 25—if they are mailed on time.

Much Christmas mail going overseas is handled in cooperation with the postal systems of other nations. But in the United States and its possessions, in U. S. -trusted islands in the Pacific and among U. S. servicemen in all parts of the world, delivery of holiday greetings is strictly a United States affair.

The army takes over, through its army post office, for troops serving outside the United States, be they in Germany, Korea, or somewhere on the way.

Best known special Christmas business done by any post-office is that of Santa Claus, Indiana.

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Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas! The spirit conveyed by these words is the same in all countries, but the words themselves sometimes fall harshly on American ears. "Merry Christmas" in French has a soft and musical sound. It is "Joyeux Noel."

In Spain the greeting is "Feliz Pascuas," and in Italy, "Buon Natale." For Sweden it is "God Jul" and Norway, "Gladig Jul."

In Germany and Holland the greeting is a tongue-twister that will stump the average American. The Germans say "Froehliche Weihnachten" and the Dutch, "Pleizierig Kerstfeest."

But whatever the language, the spirit behind this greeting is the same wherever there are men of goodwill.

CHRISTMAS KISSES
Mistletoe Bestows Good Fortune

VERY few people don't know what a sprig of mistletoe means at Christmas time—especially when there's a pretty girl standing beneath it! But few people realize that this very pleasant custom has its root in age-old superstitions.

The lore of primitive days contains many references to mistletoe. According to an ancient Norse legend, the sun god was slain by an arrow fashioned from the mistletoe plant. He was resurrected by his mother's tears, which falling upon the plant, were crystallized into pearly berries. Because of this magical healing, it was ordained that mistletoe should grow neither on heaven nor earth, but suspended between them. That is the reason, runs the legend, that

Bill Dietrich was the last pitcher on the Chicago White Sox to hurl a no-hitter. It was against the Browns on June 1, 1937.

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Christmas Gifts Are Not Always Brought by Santa

In America it is always Santa Claus, dashing from rooftop to rooftop in his sleigh, that brings Christmas gifts to the children. But it is not always Santa who brings the gifts to children in other lands.

In Holland it is St. Nicholas, dressed in bishop's robes of black, wearing a mitre and carrying the crozier. And he arrives on a white horse.



English children look for a Santa Claus who closely resembles our own and gifts are tied to Christmas trees.

In Finland, Santa has elves who passes out gifts for him. In Italy there is no Santa Claus. Instead, they have a beneficent old witch, Befona, who sails through the air on a broom stick on Christmas Eve.

Brazil has Papa Noel, very much like Santa. He wears a red suit and travels in a sleigh drawn by reindeer. However, he enters the house through a window.

Spanish children place their straw-filled sleeves on the window sills so that the Magi may feed their horses while they leave gifts. The older people fill an Urn of Fate from which gifts are drawn on Christmas Day.



THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS... Much of the joy of Christmas for mothers and fathers is watching the thrill-children get from finding toys under the tree. These children express their joy on Christmas morning. Much of the joy for the children is the anticipation of and mystery in Santa's visit and the guessing about what the old fellow will bring.

The first radio broadcast of a Michigan State football game was in 1923 from a phone booth anchored atop Macklin Field Stadium.

Michigan State football Coach, Biggie Munn, once scored 1044 points in five high school track meets while a student at North High in Minneapolis.

Hank Sauer of the Chicago Cubs hit 24 of his 38 home runs in 1952 off first division pitchers. Five of them were off Larry Jensen of the Giants.

Many of the world's gold deposits are found in the very old pre-Cambrian rocks. Piracy was a common crime in the Mediterranean in very ancient times.

Wood is the raw material for many chemically synthetic products. It is believed that railroad sleeping cars were first used in 1873 in England.

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Turkeys .. Lb. 59c

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Vegetable Soup Campbell's 2 Cans	27c
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Lettuce . Lge. Head 17c

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Brach's Circus Mix. Lb. Bag	29c
Assorted Pure Sugar Stick Candy Meador's.. 2-Lb. Box	49c
Book of Assorted Lifesavers Each	45c

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