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FOR THE CHILDREN.

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ROLL OF HONOR.

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BERYL DANIELS.
JENNIE PREVO,
MAE CHAMP,
JULIE M. TAYLOR.
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FLORENCE PATTERSON.
EMMA DAVIS.
JESSIE SCOTT.
RHODA DAVIS.
AGNES ASKLOF.
ADDIE CHENEY.
EDITH VAWTER.
ARTHUR SWANSON.
ADDA CAINE.
BERYL DANIELS.
EMMA MULHOLLEN.
OLGA DAVIS.
DOLPHIE LAIN.
JULIA WARREN.

said to his mother, "I would like to talk to Santa Claus." Just then the telephone rang. Mamma went to the phone. Some one said, "Is John there?" "Yes," said mamma. "I would like to speak to him then." "Hello, who is it?" "It is Santa Claus; I want to ask you what you want for Christmas." "Oh, good," said John, "I want a sled and a pair of skates, candy, nuts and a new suit of clothes. I will leave the rest to you. Oh, wait, Santa Claus, I want a watch and a ring." "Very well, John, is that all you want?" said Santa Claus. "No, I want an air gun and I will leave the rest to you." "Well, then John, good by." "Good by, Santa Claus." "Oh, mamma, I got a chance to talk to Santa Claus, didn't I?" "Yes," said mamma.

Grace Shelton, age 10,
915 North Court street,
Ottumwa, Iowa.

HER SANTA CLAUS LETTER.

She wrote a note to Santa Claus. The queerest note that ever was; 'Twas naught but scrawls and dots and rings.

But, oh, it meant so many things! For little girls, strange to believe, Want many things on Christmas eve.

She asked for dolls all dressed in blue, And red and pink and purple, too; She asked for dogs and cats and toys, And instruments that make a noise; She asked for candies, cakes and popcorn, And popcorn strung in lengthy strings.

She sent her note to Santa Claus, The queerest note that ever was, Her papa mailed it early, so 'Twould surely off to Santa go. 'Twas naught by scrawls and dots and rings.

But, oh, it meant so many things! —Joe Cone in the Woman's Home Companion.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS.

Dear Santa Claus: How are you? Burhans, who live across from us, said there was no Santa Claus. I will tell you what Myrtle and Mildred want for Christmas. Myrtle wants some candy and nuts and a story book, and a doll and a doll buggy-cab. Mildred wants a doll, some candy, nuts, dress and a buggy. Myrtle wants a buggy.

Your loving friend,
Mildred and Myrtle Gross.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl aged 12 years. I live on a farm seven miles east of Ottumwa. I have three sisters and two brothers. My papa has been taking the Courier fifteen years or more, and I like to read the letters in the Courier Junior. I think it is real nice for the children. I would like to have a set of furs and a pair of side combs. As my letter is getting long, I will close. I remain as ever, your friend,
Ossie E. Burnaugh.

Dear Santa Claus: I live on a farm seven miles east of Ottumwa. I have three sisters and two brothers. My papa has been taking the Courier for fifteen years or more and I like to read the letters in the Courier Junior. I will hang my stockings on my bed post. I want a card book and a story book for Christmas. I go to the East Union school. I take six studies and I like my teacher real well. As my letter is getting long I will close.

Your friend,
Clar C. Burnaugh.

Dear Editor: I am a little girl 9 years old. I go to the Eldon public school. I am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Ruth Roberts. I have two pets. They are a dog and a rabbit. Their names are Tiny and Bonny. I go to the Christian Sunday school. I am glad Xmas is so near here. I am going to speak a piece at the Xmas tree. There is one thing I want for Xmas, and that is a dolly. I live on East Railroad street. I hope Xmas will come to you with many presents. Well I will close for this time.

Yours truly,
Fern Noll.

Dear Santa Claus:—I see that you want us all to write a letter so I thought I would write one. I have a little brother 5 years old. For Christmas I want a ring and two handkerchiefs, a bottle of perfume and candy, oranges, bananas and nuts. My brother wants a pair of mittens and a sled and knife. I have nothing else to say. I will close. Yours respectfully,
Ethel Marie, Guthrie, age 11.

Dear Editor:—I am a little girl 6 years old. I go to school every day. I am in the First reader. There are

only three in my class. My teacher's name is Arthur Thompson. I like him just fine. I have three-quarters of a mile to go to school. My papa takes me when it is bad weather. I have two brothers and one sister. For pets I have two dogs. Their names are Brownie and Jip, and two bantam hens. For Christmas I would like to have a big doll and doll cart and some nice story books. Well, as my letter is getting long I will close, hoping to see this letter next week. As ever yours,
Grace Drake.

Dear Santa Claus: I thought I would write you a few lines. I thought you would like to know what I would like to have. I would like a pair of skates and a sled, a big story book and a pair of gold cuff buttons. I have to go for the cow and sometimes for the horse, and get the wood in and get the coal, and feed the pig. My brother Eli gets the kindling and shuts the chickens up. I have a long way to go to school. I like my teacher. I like to go to school. My teacher's name is Miss Cooper. I study my lessons. I will close for this time. Good bye,
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Fannie Allen.

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Your friend,
Hazel Daniels,
Ottumwa, Iowa.

Dear Santa Claus:—I have a nice doll and a bed and a good set and a set of china dishes, so I will not expect you to bring me any of these. But I would like to have a dress and a little broom and a Foxey Grandpa book and some of Sunbonnet Babies pictures. You are a fine old fellow and I love you very much.
Your friend,
Grace Chinn, age 8,
506 Finley avenue.

Dear Editor: I am glad that the boys and girls are having a page of their own in the Courier. I like to read the letters. I would like to have a pair of skates for Christmas. I think Christmas is the best of all days, because Christ was born on that day. I hope Santa Claus will bring me something. I am 13 years old and hope to join the Junior club, as we take the Courier and like it very much. The church that I go to is going to have an entertainment on Christmas eve. I wish close, wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.
Yours truly,
Belle Clark.

Dear Editor: I am a little girl 9 years old. Papa takes the Courier and we like it very much. I go to school. My teacher's name is Miss Etta Miser. I like her very well. It will be seen by Christmas. I shall be glad. I hope old Santa Claus will come to our house. I want a doll with blue eyes and golden curls, and a pair of skates, but mamma says I am too small. I have two brothers and three sisters and myself makes four. There are six children in our family. As my letter is getting long I will close for this time.
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Dear Santa Claus: I want a gun and an automobile, three wagon and a book and a pair of mittens and a new tie and a watch and a handkerchief and a toy to wind up, and a book for mamma and a dish for papa.
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