

SANTA CLAUS IS IN HIGH FAVOR

Youngsters of Duluth and Vicinity Make Their Wants Known.

Santa Claus spent another busy day yesterday looking over his mail, answering telephone calls and calling on children about the city. He says that he is beginning to get things in splendid shape for Christmas eve's visit although there are still many houses to be visited, chimneys to be examined and plans to be completed for supply his little friends' requests for Christmas presents.

Little Esther Abrahamson, who says she is five years old, wrote a nice letter to Santa thanking him for a bag of candy that he gave her the other day. Santa says that he has never received so many letters from little folks who are so unselfish and so keen to speak of the wants of other children. Many of them say that they will be satisfied if Santa will only bring some nice presents to the poor children they know and Santa says that he will not only look out for those children who are mentioned but will also pick out some very nice presents for the girls and boys who have so kindly brought their names to his attention.

The News Tribune this morning prints several more of the little folks' letters as Santa's request:

"Dear Santa Claus: I wish to thank you for the bag of candy you gave me today on the street. Please send me for Christmas a big doll and a buggy and that will be all. With many kisses, Esther Abrahamson, 1215 East First street, P. S. I am five years old."

"Dear Santa: I have seven sisters and one brother. I think by the time you get around to me you won't have much left. So I will ask for three things, a pair of shoes and a sweater and a round runner sled. Your friend, Emmet Carroll, 5611 West Sixth street."

"Mr. Santa Claus: My papa is good to me and I don't write for myself but we have a little mite of a baby who is just beginning to walk (and think) and I think it would be nice if you would send her a present. I leave baby's present to your own judgment as papa says you are a married man and know what little girl babies want. Papa tells me to wish the News Tribune every success, which I do now. Yours sincerely, Marion Lee Maxwell, 517 Eighth avenue east."

"Dear Santa Claus: I will write and tell you that I am well and hope you are the same. I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want some candy and nuts, bananas and oranges and a pair of skates and a sled. Yours respectfully, Little Agnes Hagerly, 20 Twentieth avenue west."

"Dear Santa Claus: I will write you a few lines. I am a little girl. I want a doll and watch this year. Yours truly, Edith Lindstrom, 2214 West Fourth street."

"Hibbing, Minn., Dec. 17.—Dear Santa Claus: My father takes the News Tribune and I read about what you said. Please send to me a big trunk, a book and a big set of dishes. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I remain your friend, Ethel Geary, Pine street."

"Dear Santa Claus: I want an engine and coach and a caboose and the track for the train to run on. My little sister, Ada, wants a set of dishes and a stove and a table and some little chairs. Martin Curtis, 4917 Grand avenue west."

"Dear Old Santa Claus: I am writing for my little brother, who is four years old. He said he would love you very much if you would bring him a real live dog and a boat called "The News-boy" and please, dear Santa Claus, remember me and I will take whatever you think best. Wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, yours truly, Ollie and Tiny Older, 1811 East South street."

"Adolph, Minn., Dec. 17.—Dear Santa Claus: I am nine years old and I have a brother that is four years and a sister that is six years and she wants a pocketbook and my brother wants a sled. I want a nice story book and a nice boat. My father gets the News Tribune every day. We live eight miles from Duluth so I can't come down and see you, Ephraim Bjorlin."

"Dear Santa Claus: I thought I would write you a few lines to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll and buggy and skates. Hoping you don't freeze your ears going around, good bye. Your loving friend, Alma Robinson, 427 West Third street."

"Dear Santa Claus: Please will you bring me an engine with cars and two good strong sleighs and a boat with a machine in it and a pair of skis and skates No. 107. Can I have a steel stand for my violin. Good bye, yours truly, Ferdinand Collatz, 610 East Fifth street."

"Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good boy. I am glad you are here. Please bring me a drum and a story book. Yours truly, Harold Hein, 624 Fifth avenue east."

"Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a doll and a buggy and some candy and nuts too, and for my sister Mamie. Ever your friend, Esther Paulson, 20 South Sixty-ninth avenue west."

"Superior, Wis., Dec. 17.—Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a story book and pair of shoes and a round runner sled? Arthur Anderson, 297 West Second street."

"Dear Santa Claus: I want a magazine rifle for Christmas. There are so many writing to you for gifts I won't ask you for any more. Your boy, Edwin Norsted, 720 Forty-first avenue west."

"Dugdale, Minn., Dec. 17.—Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl and my name is Cora Camp. I live in Dugdale. I want a big pretty doll and a book and my sister Ida wants a rocking chair and my brother's name is Henry; he wants a top and my other brother wants a watch."

"Dear Santa Claus: I read in the News Tribune about you and read all the little letters you got from little girls and boys and I thought I would

like to write a letter to you and tell you what I want. I would like to have a story book and a new dress and some candy and nuts for my little brother Eddie. Dear Santa Claus my mamma is awfully sick and she cannot celebrate the Christmas. I wish she would get better for Christmas. I must close now, from your friend, Clara Smith, Cliff Hotel."

"Dear Santa Claus: I want a pair of skates and a sled and a bag of candy and nuts. I am looking for you, I am nine years old. So good bye Santa, Eugene Ault, 520 South Sixteenth avenue west."

"Superior, Wis., Dec. 17.—Dear Santa Claus: Please send me a sled and a story book and a violin and a lot of candy, nuts and fruit and don't forget my stocking, hanging by the door. Willie Plouff, 717 Fifth street north."

"Dear Santa Claus: I hope you are well. Please Santa Claus bring Mary a bouncing ball and bureau. Knox wants a skating coat. Please, Santa Claus, bring me a doll and a little doll

house. Mary and Frances have been sick. Come and visit me, please. Lovingly, Frances Winton, 1509 East First street."

"Dear Santa Claus: I want a polo game and a set of boxing gloves and my brother wants an engine and a hook and ladder and a story book and the baby wants a dollar set of blocks and I will close. Please bring the things to 223 Second avenue west, Rolland Knudsen."

"Grand Rapids, Minn., Dec. 17.—Dear Santa Claus: My father saw in the Sunday News Tribune that you are giving Christmas presents to good little boys and girls. I am trying to be good so please send me a pair of skates, a trunk and a story book. Your little friend, Douglas Horace Price."