

Greetings
FOR
Christmas

THE BEAUTY NOOK
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Because we realize how much our success
is due to you, we are most sincerely appreciative.

OLYMPIC CLUB

Christmas is a
happy time
for all
those
young
at heart!
We thank
you for
your
fine
loyalty
and
send you
our
best!

Merry
Christmas

Zinn's '76" Service
CHARLES and PEGGY ZINN

Noel

To our faithful old
friends, to our cherished
new friends, and to
those whose friendship
we hope to earn, we
extend the glad
Greetings of this
Yuletide season.

OWYHEE TRUCK &
IMPLEMENT CO.



DOLLS AND CHRISTMAS GO TOGETHER--and this doll with her golden curls and golden harp seems to symbolize the happiness of the season. She's one of more than 8,000 dolls in the Samuel F. Pryor International Doll Library, Greenwich, Conn. The Doll Library may be visited by appointment only.

Lore and Legend Express
Happy Mood of Season

From home to home, from country to country, Yule celebrations abound. The happy traditions of gift giving, home decorating, carol singing, card sending, candle lighting and tree trimming express the merriment of the season.

Popular folk customs of nation after nation have been absorbed into the international legend and lore of the Yuletide. Yet virtually every nation--and every home and family, too--has its special way of celebrating Christmas, and its special memories of Christmas past.

Carrying in Straw

Straw is a traditional part of Christmas celebrations in Sweden--in probable remembrance of the first Christmas when there was straw in the manger.

While "carrying in the Christmas straw" is a tradition rather than a modern custom, Swedish people still make straw and wooden figures to hang on their Christmas trees.



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May the cheery sounds of Christmas
carry with them the warmest joys, and thanks
to you, our good friends and customers.

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The Martins—Owyhee Junction



Merry Christmas

With a song in our
hearts, we wish the season's
best to our customers. We appreciate the
confidence you have placed in us.

Howard's Texaco Service
and RADIATOR SHOP

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls!
Each Has Story to Tell

"It's fun to get a doll for Christmas."

This statement comes from a real authority, who is a former Marine, a world traveler and international airline executive--and who is also a man who has more dolls than anybody except Santa Claus!

Collector Samuel F. Pryor is the founder of the International Doll Library in Greenwich, Conn., where more than 8,000 dolls are gathered in fabulous variety.

Begun in 1953 when he inherited 300 dolls from a friend, the still-growing collection includes hundreds of dolls searched out by Mr. Pryor himself, and it has also been augmented by gifts from some of the thousands of visitors to the Doll Library--hence Mr. Pryor's personal knowledge that a doll under the Christmas tree is truly a source of delight.

The Doll Library, so named because every doll has a story to tell, is attractively housed in a 1792 barn, remodeled to provide appropriate settings for the dolls. Visits to the Doll Library are by appointment only.

Here, there are antique dolls, historic dolls, craft dolls, religious dolls, dolls of every land and every era. The dolls indeed have much to tell to the serious student of world history and world civilization.

But to Mr. Pryor, the important thing about the dolls is that they are objects of affection--cherished by little girls waiting for Santa, and by everyone who loves dolls, to play with and admire.

Along with their legacy of love, the dolls bring a record of mankind's ingenuity.

Among the antique dolls in Mr. Pryor's collection is a 19th-century beauty who turns her head, flutters her eyelids, heaves her bosom and plays a lyre, to the tune of a hidden music box.

Many other dolls in the Pryor collection make it plain that mechanical accomplishments are by no means limited to the dolls of today. For instance, a group of early American dolls includes the "Auto-peripatetikos"--a walking doll patented in 1862.

Another kind of ingenuity is manifest in the craft dolls, lovingly fashioned by thoughtful hands from virtually any and every convenient material

--pen wipers, shells, newspapers, wishbones, sponges, corn cobs, pine cones, pipe cleaners, clay pipes even an old potato masher.

Among them are "Mr. and Mrs. Crab," dolls with faces made from crab claws. These do-it-yourself dolls were featured in "Godey's Lady's Book" for May 1867, with illustrations of Mr. and Mrs. Crab and "how to" instructions.

Among the Library's little inhabitants, dolls of other lands form a miniature United Nations. A turbaned Brazilian dancer, a Spanish matador with cape and sword, a Japanese geisha, a Belgian lady, a German tourist, an Arabian desert prince, an Argentinian gaucho--the list is seeming endless.

Differences may divide nations--but not in the Doll Library. Mr. Pryor's dolls get an opportunity to enact the holiday spirit of peace and good will, all year. As a pastime, he likes to bring dolls of many nations together in friendly groups.

Who's Pelsnickle?

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while St. Nick rewarded good children with gifts, Pelsnickle had the unwelcome task of punishing naughty boys and girls with "gifts" of lumps of coal and switches.

The Doll Library's Pelsnickle sports Santa Claus whiskers, wears a coat of shaggy fur and holds a bundle of switches.

While Pelsnickle and switches are usually associated, a study of Christmas lore reveals that in earlier legends he traditionally carried a birch cane, says Mrs. June Anderson Douglass, whose responsibilities as curator of the Pryor Doll Library include researching and cataloging each doll.

Like St. Nicholas, Pelsnickle was a European figure, known primarily in Holland and Germany. He came by his name very logically, since he was generally believed to wear a fur coat. "Peltz" is the German word for fur.

Today, the custom of having Pelsnickle appear at Christmas time is still observed in some Pennsylvania Dutch homes, according to the editors of The New Book of Knowledge.

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CHRISTMAS
TO ALL!

What is Santa carrying
in his bag? All our best wishes for a
happy holiday season, plus our sincere
thanks for your confidence in us!

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PRAYER

"...and on earth peace,
good will toward men." So may your days be
blessed with the joys of Christmas.

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Christmas

We ring out with
notes of good cheer
to you and yours
this Christmas season.
You've brought us
a happy year, through
your patronage and
good will. Our deepest
appreciation is yours.

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Joyous
Christmas

To all, a wish for a Christmas richly
blessed with peace and joy.
And to our patrons, our heartfelt thanks
for the privilege of serving you.

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a very Merry Christ-
mas, along with our
sincere thanks
for your kind and
generous patronage.

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