

Letters to
Santa...

Carleisle, Ky.
Set of dishes, Magnet
Blackboard, Cabinet,
A Good Child

Dear Santa,
We are 2 little boys. We
have tried to be good.
Bruce wants a dump truck
and coke cola truck. Mike
wants custom cruise liner
and bike and Fred Flint-
stone punch bag.

Don't forget our sister
she wants a Chatty Kathy
and stove. We will go to
bed early.

Mike and
Bruce Carter
Carleisle, Ky.
Hudsonway

Hartsville, Ky.
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl seven
years old. I am in the sec-
ond grade at school. I have
tried to be a good girl. I
would like for you to bring
me a bicycle and doll for
Christmas. Don't forget my
little sister Charlotte. I will
leave milk and cookies
under the tree for you.
Don't forget my Mommy
and Daddy and my Ma Mae
and Pa Paw. Your little girl
Virgie Wagoneer

Dear Santa,
I want a truck with a
door on it. I want a mar-
shall set. I want a sled
Good bye
Eddie Ellington

Dear Santa Claus,
I am seven years old. I
go to Moorefield grade
school and I am in the
second grade. My teacher
is Mrs. Marjorie Etton.
For Christmas I would
like for you to bring me a
Chatty Kathy doll, a set of
dishes and a Snow Cone
machine. Don't forget all
the other boys and girls
who may not get very much
for Christmas.

Bring all my little cous-
ins and my sisters some-
thing.
There will be something
under the tree for you to
see.
Lots of Love
Sylvia Clark Clinkenbeard
R. E. 2, Carleisle, Ky.

Dear Santa,
I am eleven years old
and I go to the Moorefield
school. I try to be a good
girl but I often get off the
track.
For Christmas I would
like a fashion model doll
and anything else you want
to bring.
Don't forget the little
girls and boys that may not
have a very happy Christ-
mas. Don't forget all my
cousins and my sisters.
There will be something
under the tree for you.
Lots of love,
Connie Ruth Clinkenbeard

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Gaylor. And a
pogo stick. And a Ken and
Barbie. I want a Barbie
with platinum blond hair.
And a Ken with black hair.
And a car for Ken and Bar-
bie car. And a suit for
Ken and a dress for Barbie.
Your friend
Mary Neal

Route 3 Carleisle, Ky.
Dear Santa,
I am a little girl 6 years
old. I live at Saltwell and
go to Nicholas County
Grade school. I would like
a Chatty Kathy, some cook-
ing utensils, a make up set
and some candy and fruit.
Don't forget my brother,
Larry, and bring him some-
thing that he will like.
Your little girl,
Diana Lynn Allison
P. S. I will leave milk and
cake under the tree for
you.

Annual Graveside Ceremony
Honors Xmas Classic Author

On Christmas Eve, 1911 a
small but hardy band of chil-
dren and adults carrying old
Trinity (Episcopal) Church

lansers plodded through snow
in the gathering dusk to the
grave of Clement Clarke
Moore to pay homage to the
author of that immortal poem
"A Visit From St. Nicholas."
('Twas the Night Before
Christmas).

This began a tradition that
has endured to this day. Over
the ensuing 50 years the
Christmas Eve processions
have been held with inter-
ruption, in the relative calm
of a moonlit evening.

Each December 24, the chil-
dren of the Chapel of the In-
tercession gather, with their
parents and other grown-ups
at the chapel. The Vigil reads
the beloved Christmas poem
and the procession forms
to "quest" the grave of
Clement Moore. The pro-
cession winds its way down the
steep hill to the grave a quar-
ter mile away.

There a great Christmas
wreath is reverently laid on
the poet's grave and the Vigil
offers prayers of thanksgiving
and blessing as the golden
Cross of Greater glances a
reflection of the light of the
lanterns held high by the
marchers. It is a truly mov-
ing ceremony.

Frequently as many as 500
children and adults participate
but usually the procession
numbers about half that. All
who wish to join in the an-
nual tribute are made wel-
come; it is not necessary to
be a parishioner.

Born in July, 1779, the son
of the Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Ben-
jamin Moore, Clement Moore
lived a long and fruitful life.
His early writings won him
the title of "poet of Chelsea,"
a section of lower Manhattan
where he lived.

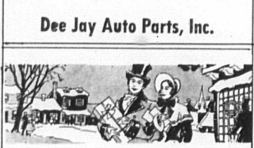
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Charley, Clement and Emily.
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(N.Y.) Sentinel. It was pick-
ed up by newspapers through-
out the United States and,
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other part of the world. Soon
thereafter it attained its de-
served status as a classic.

A man of many accomplish-
ments, Dr. Moore was a tal-
ented organist and served in
that capacity of St. Peter's
Church at 29th Street and
Ninth Avenue. He was noted
for his generosity, too. He
donated a number of valuable
real estate plots to churches
and seminaries.

Upon his death in 1863 he
was buried in the old grave-
yard of St. Luke's Church on
Hudson Street in the city's
west side. On November 24,
1899 the body was removed to
Trinity Church Cemetery.
In the same cemetery is
the grave of Alfred Tennyson



KENTUCKY'S OLD STATE HOUSE in Frankfort sports a newly scrubbed
face and a new historical marker recalling the occupation of the capital city
by the Confederation in September 1862. During the occupation, a Confederate
Governor, Richard Hawes, was inaugurated while a Southern flag waved over-
head. Kentucky was the only state true to the Union where a Confederate flag
was officially displayed. The marker is one of 96 new ones going up around the
state as part of a project of the Kentucky Historical Society. The old Capitol
now houses the Society's offices, library and museum.



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J. Berry Burnaw
County Clerk



Hunt's Ashland Service Station

Post Office Is Victor
In Rate Increase Fight

WASHINGTON—The postal rate increase bill as signed
by President Kennedy is probably everything the Post Of-
fice could have wished for, and maybe even a bit more. It
calls for rate increases that
will total \$554.8 million in
1963, graduated upwards to
increases totalling \$603 mil-
lion in 1965. This compares
very favorably indeed with
the \$600 million increase
hopefully asked for by the
Post Office Department in
its original request.

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