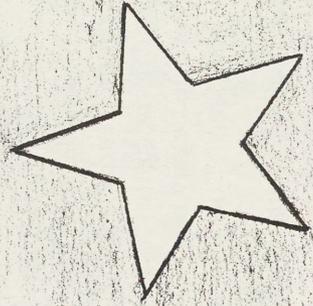


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Season's
Greetings



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While writing this annual Christmas note, I am sitting listening to the wonderful world of holiday music that is now filling the air. The thought keeps running through my mind what a wonderful equalizer music is, especially that which is heard during the season now upon us.

When one tries to analyze why this music is so appealing to almost everyone it becomes obvious that there are many different reasons that each of us might have for our feelings. Firstly, the music is joyful--it brings to us in a multitude of sounds and harmonies a wonderful happening that occurred so many years ago.

But, above all it promises faith in all its purist virginity.

When one reviews what has happened around the world this past year, many of us undoubtedly tend to lose faith in our surroundings, in people in general, and sometimes even in ourselves. When this happens it creates a dangerous situation, both for ourselves and for those with whom we work and love.

To those of us who are a little older we see changes taking place in our own country that are sometimes frightening. We question what the young people of today want, how they behave, and their motives. We wonder whether they have forgotten completely the heritage that enables them to live in a country so viable, flexible, and with a freedom that is unmatched in the history of the world. We find it difficult to accept their questions and too easily blame too many things that we do not like to see in this country onto the shoulders of the young adult.

On the other hand, the young people are saying, "We respect what you have given us, but there are changes we think need to be made and we want them made now!" Consequently, an almost internal separation has occurred between the younger and the older generations.

Then comes the holiday season, and to many of us Christmas with all its meaning and hope and joy. It becomes a time for forgiveness, for bringing families together once again into a cohesive unit, for renewing a faith that some of us may have let slide from our grasp during the year, and for renewing our hope in the world and its peoples.

Yes, Christmas is a very special time of the year.

Why, it is difficult to say. Really, it is just another day on the calendar, yet, somehow, through the centuries that miracle that took place nearly 2,000 years ago still has the remarkable ability to instill in us an indescribable feeling of blessedness.

This year let's all renew our faith in the world, in God, in our fellow man, and above all in ourselves. There is not a person in the world who does not want peace for all mankind. We do not have it now, nor have we had it through the course of time. Yet, someday, peace will come, and all mankind can be as one.

May each of you have the very merriest of Christmases and the most joyous of New Years.