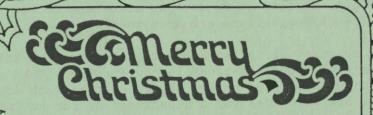
## library newsletter



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Not all suggestions in the Suggestion Box are complaints. We do receive occasional recommendations for purchase of books or magazines. Valid suggestions are acted on and the requestor is so notified. Once in a while there are accolades for a department or for an individual whose service is appreciated by a library user. The nicest note we ever received was a simple thank you to the staff for doing a good job throughout the library. Its true, of course, and we thank that anonymous writer and wish him/her and all of you a Merry Christmas.

## NEW STAFF

Margaret (Peggy) Hendershot has joined the Government Publications Department replacing Gwen Pittam. Peggy is from Detroit and received her B.A. & M.A. from the University of Montana. While at Montana Peggy held a variety of positions in the Mansfield Library. She also worked as a Teaching Assistant in the History Department. We welcome her to the staff.

Extra staff has been temporarily added to the Monographs Department and the Serials Unit of the Cataloging & Serials Department. Kathy Harnden has been hired to work in Monographs and Linda Sherman has been hired to work in Serials. Welcome!!

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies... Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those which neither children nor men can see. No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives and he lives forever.

Francis P. Church, Is There a Santa Claus? This famous editorial, which originally appeared in the New York Sun, 21 Sept., 1897, was in reply to a child, Virginia O'Hanlon, whose faith had been shaken by skeptical playmates.