



A greeting from Granny

(Continued from Page 32) scene ended around the turn of the century when penny cards from Germany appeared and the trade was dominated by the Germans until World War I.

Some time after Prang popularized Christmas cards in America, art museums began to sell reproductions of paintings and woodcuts for use on Christmas cards and in 1949 UNICEE cards appeared on the market.

Art work for the UNICEF cards is donated and all proceeds from sale of the cards goes to programs to benefit children in more than 100 developing countries.

Christmas card designs have varied through the years with landscapes holding an edge on popularity^r for many years. However, holiday symbols such as bells, candies, wreaths, Santa Claus and religious themes remain popular year after year

Many families make their own Christmas cards and others send a photograph which may include the entire family, new baby, new house or new pet.

Mimeographed letters detailing the activities of each family member and their accomplishments (or disappointments) during the past year are sent by some families while such greetings are soundly criticized by many.

Despite escalating postal rates and prices on paper, Christmas cards seem to be here to stay

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