THE TRAIL OF A SOURDOUGH

TO MY BOY

Right after all of the Christmas joys Of 1917,

Old Santa Claus had stopped to pause In a fairy dell unseen.

But he saw an angel flying by

With a dolly that he had forgot,

Encircling the clouds with its precious gift To alight on a welcome spot.

Reindeer looked up at this wondrous sight, But Santa hung his head---

To forget the greatest gift of the year Was unpardonable, he said.

Visions of earth to the angel came

As it fondled its treasure with care;

Into the heart of a Royal home It left ~ Royal heir.

Concealing its flight in the Christmas night It flew back to heaven above,

To tell Santa he was forgiven at last By the joy of a baby's love.

On the Record Book the angel wrote,

Where they register every birth— Robert Victor Elliott,

The Greatest Boy on Earth.