## A Brassy New Year

## Gavin Holman, 31 January 2021

As we approach 2022, after all the drama and peculiarities of the last two years, most of the world is looking forward to the New Year in hope that it will, at last, be better than the previous ones. Giving New Year greetings and best wishes are not new by any means and, aside from the usual verbal and party-related exhortations, the greetings card, and earlier postcard, industries also provided their take on the turn of the old to new year.

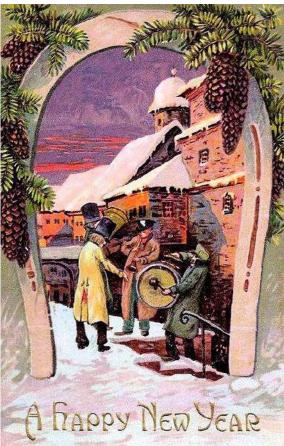


The announcement of a New Year is often linked with a fanfare or music of some sort (not counting *'Auld Lang Syne'*), certainly so in years gone by, and many greeting postcards of the early 1900's featured brass instruments to 'herald' the New Year. The cards below show some examples of this seasonal wish, with depictions of human brass players and various anthropomorphic animals. The same image was occasionally used multiple times, sometimes with different text, different languages, and even presented in a mirror form as an alternative card.











































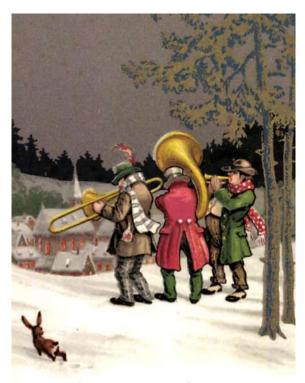


Die besten Wünsche zum neuen Zahre





Die besten Glückwünsche zum neuen Tahre



Herzlichen Glückwunsch zum neuen Jahre



















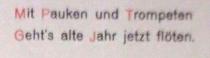






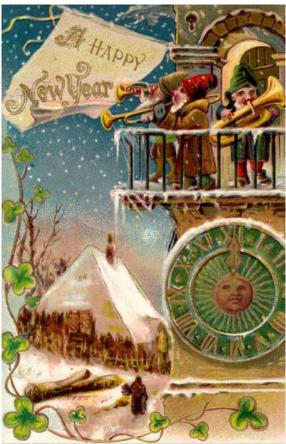


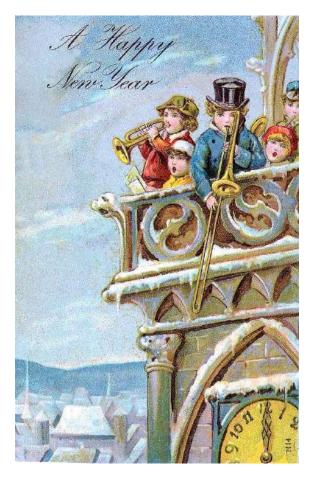
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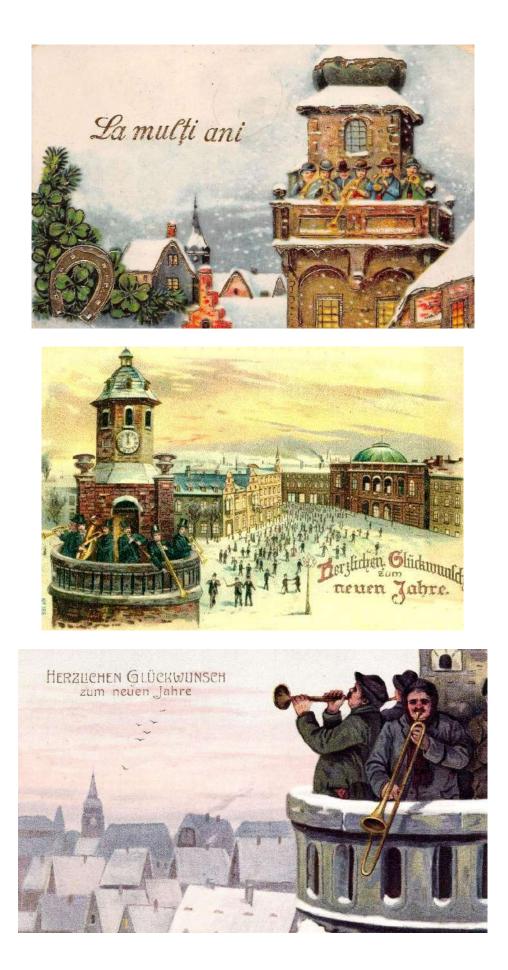






















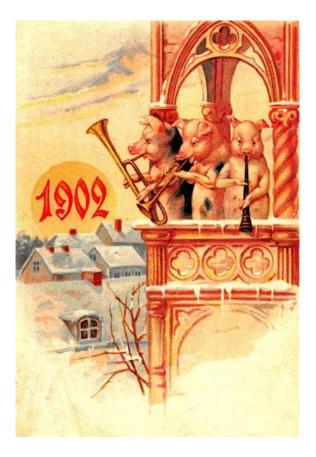


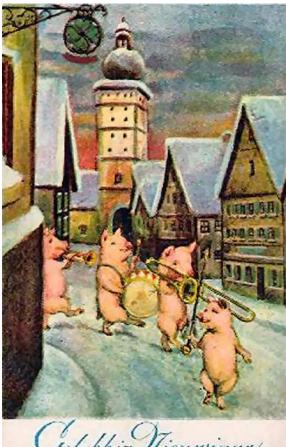




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Ver Year Thoughts May yu life be filled wif honey and yu pockets wif good money.









Veel Heil en Zegen in het Nieuwe Jaar.















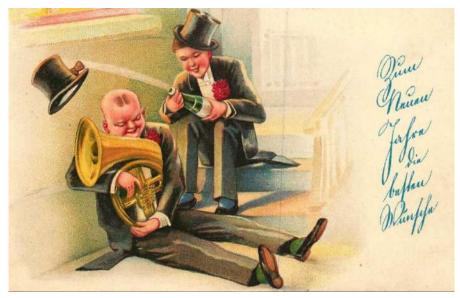
















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