

PART THREE

OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 7, 1924.

### Mrs. Palmer Sets Xmas Fashion

By GABBY.

OMAHANS this year are following an old English custom initiated last year by Mrs. George Palmer, when she gave Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morsman II, a Yule log to burn the first year in their new English type home.

Washington Irving in his "Christmas Eve and Christmas Day," tells of the Yule log custom. He writes: "The Yule log is a great log of wood, sometimes the root of a tree, brought into the house with great ceremony, on Christmas eve, laid in the fireplace, and lighted with the brand of last year's log. While it lasted there was great drinking, singing and telling of tales. Sometimes it was accompanied by Christmas candles, but in the cottages the only light was from the ruddy blaze of the great wood fire. The Yule log was to burn all night; if it went out, it was considered a sign of ill luck.

"Herick mentions it in one of his songs:

"Come, bring with a noise,  
My merrie, merrie boyes,  
The Christmas log to the firing;  
While my good dame, she  
Bids you all be free  
And drink to your hearts' desiring."

"The Yule log is still burned in many homes and kitchens of England, particularly in the north, and there are several superstitions connected with it among the peasantry. If a squinting person comes to the house while it is burning, or a person bare footed, it is considered an ill omen. The brand remaining from the Yule log is carefully put away to light the next year's Christmas fire."

Mrs. Palmer sent the Morsmans a log six feet long and proportionately large in diameter, all wreathed in winter greens and scarlet berries, which was to burn as a back log for Christmas week.

Mrs. Palmer's father, an Englishman, told her of the parties English folk had in search of the Yule logs, when he was a boy.

The young people of the countryside made up parties to go into the woods in search of a log of ample size, which they would hew out and drag home in chains, carolling the while.

In her girlhood Mrs. Palmer took part in one of these parties in Michigan.

Mrs. W. B. T. Belt is planning to have a Yule log to christen the fireplace in her new home, and her daughter, Mrs. Francis Gaines, will burn one for her little son, Tyler Belt Gaines' first year.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tukey will also have one as will the Newman Bensons. The C. Louis Meyers will also have a Yule log to burn in their new fireplace and the Edward James Connors will have another and Mrs. P. A. Nash a third.

# Society

The engagement of Miss Lucy Garvin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Garvin, and Leslie Williams was announced on Wednesday.

The wedding, a holiday event, will be very quietly solemnized owing to the death recently of the groom's father, the late Rev. John Williams of St. Barnabas Episcopal church.

Miss Katherine Selby, daughter of Mrs. Walter Selby, will return after Christmas to California, where she has made her home for the last three years with her mother.

Miss Selby has been a popular fall visitor here. Many affairs have been given in her honor. She and her mother are with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Selby, who have reopened the Selby family home in Dundee this season.

Mrs. Selby, who is seen in the picture with her sister-in-law, is a most talented amateur interior decorator and has achieved some interesting effects in her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Broadwell announce the betrothal of their daughter, Gertrude Helen, and Gus R. Wolf of Lincoln.

The marriage, which will be solemnized Christmas eve, will not take from Omaha one of its daughters, for the young couple plan to live here.

Dr. C. N. Dawson will perform the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, whose marriage lines he read 30 years ago.

Miss Broadwell is a Delta Delta Delta alumnae from the University of Nebraska. Mr. Wolf was graduated from the same institution in June, where he was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity.

Announcement is made today in Los Angeles by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sundelin of that city, formerly of Omaha, of the betrothal of their daughter, Geraldine Nussbaum, to Edward G. Perley of this city, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman O. Perley.

Miss Nussbaum will leave December 17 for Los Angeles where she will make her home until her wedding, and where she will take courses in the southern branch of the University of California. She will visit en route with her grandmother in Peabody, Kan.

Miss Nussbaum has attended the University of Idaho where she was a Gamma Phi Beta; Nebraska university, and Smith college.

Mr. Perley is a graduate of Central High school and the University of Nebraska. He is a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

No definite date has been set for the wedding.

### Guest of Mrs. Caldwell Honored at Affairs.

Mrs. S. S. Caldwell has as her guest, Mrs. Katherine Wright Clark of Los Angeles (formerly Mrs. Frederick Lake of Omaha). In Mrs. Clark's honor, Mrs. Caldwell gave a luncheon at her home Thursday, with Mrs. George Taylor of Great Barrington, Mass., sharing honors.

Several luncheons will be given in compliment to Mrs. Clark next week. Mrs. Taylor entertaining on Monday, Mrs. Milton Barlow at her home Tuesday and Mrs. John L. Kennedy on the following day at her home.

### Medlars Go East.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Medlar and daughter, Henrietta, leave December 21 for a three weeks' trip east. They will spend Christmas in Philadelphia with relatives, and will visit later in New York city.

### For Mrs. Burrell.

Mrs. Crosby Shevlin was a hostess very informally at Aquila court tea room on Friday for her mother, Mrs. Walter Fraxar Burrell of Portland, Ore., who is her guest. Mrs. Burrell will go on shortly to Santa Barbara, where she has a winter home.

Mrs. Ella Cotton Magee will host Mrs. Burrell on Monday.



Miss Lucy Garvin HEVY PHOTO

### Princeton Grad to Lecture

#### Record of Dangerous Adventure.

Richard Halliburton, a young American traveler, will deliver the next lecture before the Society of Fine Arts at the Fontenelle hotel next Friday, December 12, at 4 o'clock on the subject, "The Royal Road to Romance."

Members are promised a record alive with adventure, a lecture dealing with action rather than detailed information. This youth of 24, after completing his college training at Princeton university, fared forth to see the world. He recognized no barriers. If the impulse of the moment was to climb the Matterhorn or Puy-yama out of season—a thing never known to have been accomplished—that was for him an excellent reason to make the attempt. Both these things he actually did successfully. But these are only two points in a very large world. Another time he was locked overnight inside the Taj Mahal at Agra. And there in the shadow of that palace of marble he also went for a swim in the alabaster fish pool.

Although his record of dangerous and forbidden adventure makes Halliburton seem a sort of "enfant terrible" or a Halloween prankster on a glorified scale, his daring was purposeful. The greatest risks and hardships were nothing to him because he was driven by the great urge within him, the urge of adventure that to some extent is an inevitable accomplishment of all youth. Richard Halliburton has the reputation of presenting his subject vividly and artfully. Every press report pays tribute to his personality and acknowledges him as one of the most distinctive speakers on the American platform. The lecture will be illustrated.

### Miss Van Cleve Licensed to Wed New Yorker

Frank R. Hargerty of New York city and Miss Vera Van Cleve of Omaha were licensed to wed in Chicago Friday, according to word received here.

### House Warmings Part of Pre-Holiday Entertaining

A desire to "get into the new home before Christmas" may account for the housewarmings which form so noticeable a part of the preholiday entertaining.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cooke, who move into their beautiful new home at 320 South Fifty-third street in a few days, will have a week-end house party beginning next Friday, which will be fairly national in its scope. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stewart will come from New York City, William Jenkins from Philadelphia, and from Chicago their guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Gus Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Melind, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Helefoe, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Barnum, and Mrs. Henry Hansen. Their Omaha guests at dinner Friday and Saturday nights will include Messrs. and Mesdames A. G. Fales, Henry Gerhardt, John Gleason and E. McArdle.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tukey will give the first party in their new home at 123 North Happy Hollow boulevard, will have their friends in Boston, who arrive December 20, to spend two weeks at the Blackstone before visiting the Donald Macraes of Council Bluffs.

Other affairs for the Smiths will be given by Mrs. Henry Bohling and her sister, Miss Elizabeth Davis, also Mrs. Ben Wood, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Yale Holland have postponed the housewarming at their new home until after their return from St. Paul, Minn., where they will spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin F. Johnson, who are already in their interesting new residence at 123 North Happy Hollow boulevard, will have their friends in very soon. The house is a combination of English and Spanish architecture. A striking feature of the interior is an iron stairway with a handrail of blue velvet on the balustrade.

Mr. and Mrs. George Prinz will be in their charming new place on South Elmwood boulevard a week before Christmas. They have not planned to issue invitations for a housewarming but have reconciled themselves to threats of invasion from friends.

### Business Women Brownell Hall to Have a Holiday Dance Dec. 18

Brownell Hall's biggest social function of the year is their holiday dance. It will be given this year on the evening of December 18 at the school.

One hundred and fifty invitations have been issued for the party. Preceding dancing which will form the entertainment, 50 girls from the upper and lower schools will sing Christmas carols.

Decorations are being elaborately planned, and will suit the season. Miss Dora Newman and members of the faculty will chaperone the affair as well as members of the board including Bishop and Mrs. E. V. Shayer, Mrs. Luther Drake, Mrs. Arthur Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Head, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Page and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wilhelm.

### For Mrs. Herick.

Mrs. Frank P. Amos, wife of Colonel Amos, will give a bridge luncheon at her home on Friday for her mother, Mrs. Herick of Lawrence, Mass.

### Princeton Student Returns.

Clarence Gunther, junior at Princeton, will return home to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. C. W. Gunther, at the El Beuder.

HISTORIANS in the year 5000 glancing back in The Omaha Bee archives of 1924 for records of the social customs of the times will be vastly impressed to note that seven young women, Misses Dorothy Lord, Nancy Finson, Gretchen Dishong, Gertrude Kinsler, Marjorie Morehouse, Audrey Gorrell, and Josephine Drapier dedicated themselves to science. Evidently they had a lighter side, it will appear, for they will be seen in the archives as giving a dinner dance at the Brandeis restaurants on Christmas eve for themselves and their escorts, calling themselves "The Golliwogs," and if that isn't scientific what is it?

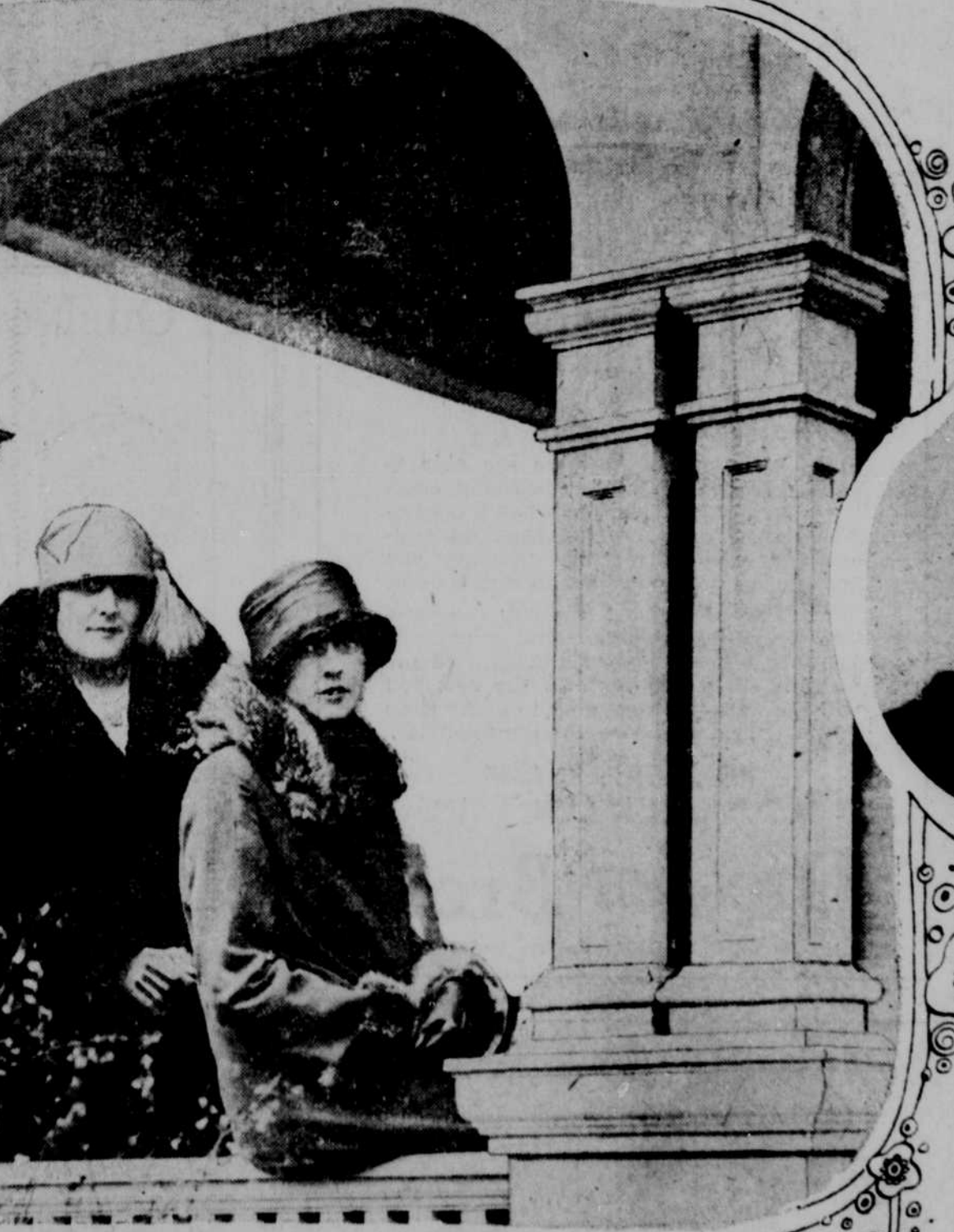
Something piscatorial probably! How shocked would these historians be if they could know that a group of young devotees of a certain alluring recent name or less prevalent among the female of the species, and that their only laboratory experiments, are the reactions of the perfume on their own kind.

THE east may have its broad "g" but in the middle west we have our broad tastes. Omahans returning from New York all report to Gabby that "The Werewolf" is one of the best. "A delightful thing really," said one woman who knows something about dramas since she writes 'em herself.

Gabby hears that sophisticated Gotham, however, found it rather too salacious and vulgar. The critics all raised pallid hands to heaven in wonder at the low turn of its lines. Can it be that the home of the true Sophisticates and the Illuminati is on Main street?



Miss Gertrude Broadwell HEVY PHOTO



Mrs. Frank Selby and Miss Katherine Selby DEVELL PHOTO



Miss Geraldine Nussbaum DEVELL PHOTO

### Comings, Goings of People You Know

Mrs. W. H. Platner is ill at St. Joseph hospital.

Jack Squires left for New York city on Wednesday evening.

Walter W. Head left Saturday night for New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hawk have returned from a motor trip to Cleveland.

Mrs. William J. F. Sackreide will spend Christmas in Chicago visiting her parents.

Mrs. David Newman returned Saturday morning from 19 days in Chicago and Detroit.

James Williams will arrive in two weeks to spend the holidays with his parents at the Colonial.

The Ivy Condonal club will hold its bazaar at the courthouse, Monday and Tuesday, December 8 and 9.

Miss Margaret Hix will arrive home December 19 from Lasell seminary, Aburrdale, Mass., to spend the holidays.

Joseph P. O'Keefe and daughters, Elizabeth Jane and Margaret Ann, left for Mission, Tex., Saturday, to be gone 10 days. They will attend

the midwinter festival of the Rio Grande valley.

Mrs. Chester Wells and children, Cameron and Mary, leave Monday for Los Angeles, where they will stay the winter.

Miss Beth Paffenrath returns December 21 from Hollins college, Hollins, Va., to be with her parents, the Fred Paffenraths.

Mrs. Arthur Rose of Los Angeles, who has been the much feted guest of Mrs. Charles A. Goss, leaves Tuesday for her home.

Gilbert and Katherine Dooley will return home from school in the east to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dooley.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Marr of Kansas City will spend Christmas in Omaha with their daughters, Mrs. Charles U. Hendrickson, and Mrs. L. P. Loring.

Miss Selma Wood, daughter of the George Woods of Topeka, and a graduate of Washburn college, is to be the holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bowen, who are in the Tidoumou this season.

Mrs. Anna McClain left Friday for

her home in Eugene, Ore., after four weeks here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Trimble. Mrs. Charles Hastings and daughter, who were also at the Trimble home, left Tuesday for Valentine, Neb., where they reside.

Bishop George Ashton Oldham of Albany, N. Y., is the house guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Casady. Bishop Oldham will conduct a series of missions at All Saints Episcopal church next week.

Miss Palmer's Dinner.

Miss Jenn Palmer will entertain at dinner, December 27, for her guest Miss Dorothy Gilbert of New York city who will be remembered as the popular guest of Miss Mary Morsman last Christmas tide.

Kinneys Entertain.

Colonel and Mrs. C. C. Kinney entertained at dinner last evening at their quarters at Fort Crook before the dance which was given at the service club.

### Mona Cowell In Managerial Realms

"A fig for training," says Miss Mona Cowell who has stepped into the managership of a local surgical supply house without previous business experience, disregarding the teachings of Horatio Alger and the gods of success eulogized in the American magazine.

"I'd only been inside the doors of my business once, and since I was there to have father sign a check for me, I hardly had a look around, but now I'm down there every day learning my personnel and stock."

Miss Cowell inherited her managership. Her father, the late Robert Cowell, owned the concern and was reorganizing it at the time of his last illness. Though Miss Mona has never been in professional fields before, she has shown her executive bent in various achievements in the world of women.

### Affairs Planned for Irvin Bussing

Irvin Bussing of Toronto, fiance of Miss Elizabeth Barker, who is to be a holiday guest, will be entertained at the theater and afterward at the Brandeis restaurants the evening of December 20 by Miss Josephine Schurman. Miss Nan Hunter will entertain for Mr. Bussing New Year's eve at her home, with dancing later at the Omaha club.

### Sacred Heart Party.

Sacred Heart High School Alumnae association will entertain at a bridge and high five party on Tuesday evening, December 9, in the Sacred Heart High school study hall, Twenty-second and Binney streets. Miss Ann Cunningham is chairman of bridge; Miss Collette Connor, chairman of high five.

Business—A genus all by themselves who think and act differently from everybody else.

### Annual Turkey Dinner at Presbyterian Church

Women of the First Presbyterian church will give their annual turkey dinner Thursday night, 6:30 at the church. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Byron Hastings or through the church.

Among those who have made reservations are Mesdames M. A. Hall, Robert Dempster, Dr. J. M. Banister, Dornan Ledwith and W. V. Morse.

### Miss Riley to Wed.

Announcement has just been made by Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Rigby, formerly of Omaha, now residing at Strafford, Pa., of the engagement of their daughter, Florence E. Riley, to Mr. Robert Allen Comerford of Ridley Park, Pa. The wedding is scheduled for the early part of January.

### Fort Crook Sixsome.

Captain and Mrs. Way of Fort Crook entertained Messrs. and Mesdames Allan Tukey and Naasson Young at the Service club dinner dance last evening.

### Bridge Luncheon.

Mrs. Wilbur Hayes will entertain at a bridge luncheon at her home on Saturday in honor of Miss Constance Lamar of Glenwood, Ia., who is to be her guest.

### Holiday Tea for Miss Marsh.

One hundred and fifty invitations have been issued by Mrs. J. E. Fitzgerald for a tea to be given at her home in honor of her daughter, Miss Gertrude Marsh, on Saturday, December 27, from 4 until 6 o'clock at home.

### Mrs. Nickum to Speak.

Mrs. O. A. Nickum will go to Fullerton, December 11, to address a meeting of the Civic club on the child labor amendment to the federal constitution to be considered for ratification by the Nebraska state legislature.

### For Young Set.

Mrs. Halstead Dorey and Floyd M. Smith will entertain at a tea dance on Friday, December 28, at the Fort Omaha Service club from 8 to 7 for their daughters, Miss Georgiana and Miss Eleanor.

### Tea for Mrs. Brown.

Miss Juliet McCune received at tea Saturday afternoon for her sister and guest, Mrs. Will Brown, of Salt Lake City.

Visits Mrs. Millard.

Mrs. C. E. Metz is the guest of Mrs. Dorton Millard in Evansdale, Ill.