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CHRISTMAS IN NEBRASKA

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*Christmas in Nebraska! And we hear the glad
refrains
Sweeping o'er her winding valleys and her broad
and fertile plains
And the ever changing chimes
Tell of happy, prosp'rous times,
And the old year, slowly dying, shows Nebraska's
goodly gains.*

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*Christmas in Nebraska! And our stores of corn
and wheat
Hold a promise that in future we'll a-plenty have
to eat;
And the happy Christmas bells
Each a tale of plenty tells,
Of the grand old state, Nebraska, with life's goodly
things replete.*

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*Christmas in Nebraska! Listen to our rousing
cheers
While we talk of our alfalfa and our dairy cows,
and steers;
And the ever busy hen
Working overtime for men,
While her praises we are singing till the blooming
wide world hears.*

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*Christmas in Nebraska! School house perched on
every hill!
Churches nestling in the valleys, and a home by
every rill!
And the children, fat and rosy,
Clad in garments warm and cozy,
Sing her praises forth in gladness, having eaten
each his fill.*

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*Christmas in Nebraska! Land by richest bounty
blest!
Where the toiler reaps in plenty and enjoys a
peaceful rest.
Sing the Christmas carols loud!
Of our great state we are proud—
State of joy and peace and plenty, out here in the
sundown west.*