

Ten Dollars in Prizes For Best Erector Models

There are a number of boys in North Platte who possess mechanical ability, and in order to ascertain just who they are, we are offering prizes valued at ten dollars to the boy or girl who builds the best model out of

ERECTOR SETS

These models must be built from Erector Sets purchased at our store, and they must be exhibited in our windows from December 30th to January 6th, one week.

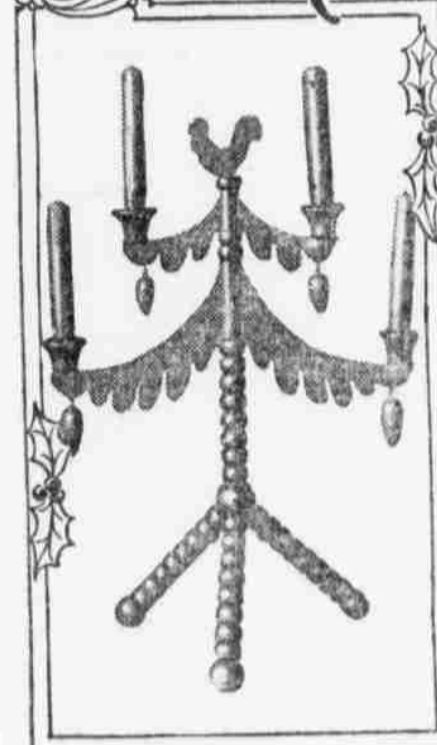
For the best model \$2, second best \$1, for the next five best 50c each, for the next ten 25c each, for the next twenty 10c each.

The exhibitors can, if they wish, have their models photographed and compete for the \$3000 worth of prizes offered by the manufacturers of the Erector Sets.

ERECTOR SETS We carry in stock sets numbering from No. 1 to No. 5. No. 1 costs \$1.00, No. 2 \$2.00, No. 3 \$3.00, No. 4 with motor \$5.00, and No. 5 with reversible motor \$7.50. We also carry extra motors at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$5.00, the latter operating from house current, the two former from dry batteries.

C. M. Newton

ONE KIND CHRISTMAS TREE



In Sweden wooden candelabra like the one in the picture are frequently used instead of Christmas trees for the display of gifts.

Oh, to Have Dwelt In Bethlehem!

Oh, to have dwelt in Bethlehem,
When the star of the Lord
Shone bright;
To have sheltered the holy wanderers
On that blessed Christmas night;
To have kissed the tender, way worn feet
Of the mother undried;
And with reverent wonder and deep delight
To have tended the Holy Child!

Hush! Such a glory was not for these,
But that care may still be thine,
For are there not little ones still to aid
For the sake of the child divine?
Are there no wandering pilgrims now
To thy heart and thy home to take?
And are there no mothers whose weary hearts
You can comfort for Jesus' sake?
—Adelaide Procter.

The Highland Lassie on Christmas.
Gentle in his "Highland Customs" tells
how the Scotch lassie rose with the
first gray streak of dawn to bake her

Christmas scones, or sour scones, hard
out cakes, soft cakes and pannich
paron. The day's enjoyment always
consisted of trials of skill and games
and wound up with a grand evening
meal. In some parts of Scotland, as
in England, it became customary to
hang a branch of mistletoe in the
middle of the room or over the door, and
if by accident or otherwise a girl passed
under it any young man was privileged
to give her as many kisses as
there were berries on one of its sprays.

The SOUTH'S CHRISTMAS AFTER the WAR

ON a typical plantation the first
Christmas after the war came
gloomily indeed, writes Mary
E. Bryan in Uncle Remus'
Magazine. A number of the negroes
still inhabited the old "quarter," but
they were too demoralized and un-
settled in mind to work.

The cotton crop had been a failure,
and old debts had swallowed up the
proceeds. No boxes and barrels con-
taining good things for Christmas had
been rolled from the steamboats out
upon the plantation landing, as in bet-
ter times. But Christmas morning
there was the old chorus, "Merry
Christmas," under the window.

The master of the house flung open
the window impatiently and called
out, "There's no Christmas for you
here; you will have to make your own
Christmas now." An old patriarch of
the tribe stepped forward and bared
his gray head. "We's brought 'it'
Christmas 'membrance for mster and
mists, please, sah," he said. They
went in then. Each had a gift and
laid it on the table in silence.

One brought a dressed chicken, an-
other a dozen eggs, and the patriarch
brought a baked possum. A pair of
home knit socks, a bag of hickory nuts
and a basket of walnuts were among
the offerings.

When their gifts had been deposited
they started to file out, when the man
of the house, affected almost to tears,
called them back and thanked them.

The children poured out the contents
of their Santa Claus stockings to share
with the visitors, and the house mother
brought out a jug of homemade wine.
There was a little Christmas cheer
after all. The hard feeling melted
away. Every heart responded to the
prayer uttered by the negro leader
when he was departing:

"De Lawd bless you and your fam-
bly, mster, and he'p us ter feel an'
ack right town's one anudder."

A GOOD TEACHER



A Wish For the Holiday Season

THINE own wish wish I thee in
every place,
The Christmas joy, the song,
The feast, the cheer,
Thine be the light of love in every
face.

That looks on thee to bless thy coming
year,
My own wish wish I thee—what dost thou
crave?
All thy dear hopes be thine, whatever
they be,
A wish fulfilled may make thee king or
slave.
I wish thee wisdom's eyes wherewith to
see,
Behold, she stands and waits, the youth-
ful year!
A breeze of morning breathes about her
brows;
She holds the storm and sunshine, bliss
and fear,
Blossoms and fruit upon the bending
boughs.
She brings thee gifts. What blessing wilt
thou choose?
Life's crown of good in earth or heaven
above?
The one immortal joy thou cannot not lose
is love! Leave all the rest and choose
thou love.

—Celia Thaxter.

Limited Experience.
Mistress (to new girl)—We entertain
a good deal. Have you had much ex-
perience at parties? Girl—Only as a
guest, mum.—New Haven Register.

Curiosity is looking over other peo-
ple's affairs and overlooking our own.
—Wayland.

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

Dr. Ames went to Broadwater
Saturday morning to spend a few
days.

The Jolly Young Matrons club will
hold a Christmas party at the home
of Mrs. Fred Duncan Thursday after-
noon.

For Rent—Six room house, light and
bath. Close in. Call Black 140.

Mrs. Mike McFadden and daughter
of Paxton, came a few days ago to
visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. John
Herrod.

Fred Frye and sisters will return
tomorrow from Victor, Ia. where they
accompanied the remains of their
mother last week.

For Sale—Hard coal stove in good
condition cheap. Phone Red 537. 93-3

Miss Marie Massey, who has been
ill at her home in Omaha for a couple
of weeks returned Friday evening to
take up her dancing class.

The Jolly Young Matrons club was
entertained at the home of Mrs. T. C.
Christiansen Thursday afternoon. In
the contests Mrs. Roy Banks won the

Mrs. M. C. Hayes and daughter
Vaunita returned last evening from
Victor, Ia. where they attended the
funeral of the late Mrs. Catherine
Frye.

Let Spicer's Parcel Delivery deliver
your Christmas packages. Efficiency
and Quick Service is our motto. Call
Huffman's Cigar Store, Red 247. 93-4

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weeks moved
from the Grace home on east Fourth
street to their new residence on south
Walnut street the latter part of last
week.

The Lincoln County Poultry and Pet
Stock Association will ship ten coops
of birds today to the Poultry show
which is being held at Lexington this
week.

Wm. Kelso and brother George
were called to Sioux City the latter
part of last week by the illness of
their brother who lost an arm in an
accident Friday.

At the irrigation convention held at
Bridgeport last week, J. G. Beeler, of
this city, was elected first vice-pres-
ident. Bridgeport was selected as the
place for holding the convention next
year.

For Sale—My Poland China herd
boar, King's Success (68611); also a
few spring pigs ready for use. W. M.
Halst, Hershey, Neb. 83-4

Prof. M. M. Redenbaugh, of the high
school, will be married at Pittsburg,
Pa., on Christmas day to Miss Ida
Alberta Greeno, of that city. Cards an-
nouncing the wedding have been re-
ceived in this city.

Miss Gertrude Rebhausen who is
teaching in the Sacred Heart Convent
at Hastings will arrive here the latter
part of this week to spend the holi-
days with her parents.

For Rent—After January 1st fur-
nished room suitable for lady or gen-
tleman, strictly modern. Phone Red
537. 93-3

J. Nathan of Wallace, and G. Martin,
of Gothenburg, were arrested Satur-
day for being intoxicated. The former
paid his fine of \$5.80 to Justice Mil-
tonberger and the latter also paid
his fees and left town.

The B. O. R. T. have selected the fol-
lowing to office for the year 1916:
President, Al Brown; vice president,
F. Overman; secretary, R. A. Biggs;
treasurer, Herman LeDioy; representa-
tive to the National Convention at
Toledo, Ohio, in June, Charles Bogue.

Friends in town received cards the
latter part of last week announcing
the marriage of Miss Myra Alta Neff
of Marysville, Mo., to Harlan R. Perry
of this city who had been employed at
the Pink harness shop. They will be
at home at Elmo, Mo., after Dec. 20th.

The child without glasses, when
needing them will be the grown-up
with muscle-drawn, wrinkled face—
through lack of nerve force wasted in
younger days because of weak and
defective eyes. DIXON, Jeweler and
Optometrist west side of Dewey street,
North Platte, Nebr.

For Rent—Furnished rooms for
light housekeeping. 414 west Third
street. 93tf

Will Morris sustained a badly
bruised when bicycles ridden by the
City Engineer McNamara was badly
bruised when bicycle ridden by the
two men collided one evening the lat-
ter part of last week. Both men were
riding on the sidewalk at a rapid
gait and on account of the darkness
neither saw the approach of the other.
Nice refreshments were served.

At a recent meeting of the Degree
of Honor the following were elected
to office: Chief of Honor, Mrs. Mary
Walden; Lady of Honor, Mrs. Ger-
trude Hamilton; usher, Miss Minnie
Rudat; chief of ceremonies, Mrs.
Cook; recorder, Mrs. Magnolia Duke;
receiver, Miss Elsie Cohagen; finan-
cier, Mrs. Lottie Cronin; inside watch,
Mrs. Haspell; outside watch, Miss
Palster; chief of trustees, Mrs. Lillian
Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Schick, of Well-
fleet, are expected shortly to visit the
latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John
Lincoln, Sr.

Mrs. Wilfred Stuart, of Lexington,
is expected next week to spend the
holidays with her parents Mr. and
Mrs. John Tighe, Sr.

Miss Anna Peterson came Friday
evening to take charge of the revival
meetings which will be held at the
Adventist church this week.

DERRYBERRY & FORBES,
Licensed Embalmers
Undertakers and Funeral Directors
Day Phone 234.
Night Phone Black 588.

Obliging.
"Only give me time, your honor,"
begged the convicted prisoner.
"All right," replied the judge. "How
will ten years suit?"—*Chicago Ameri-*
can.



Keep Out the Weather

No matter what
the weather is out-
side, you can keep the
interior of your home
at a comfortable tem-
perature. Health and
comfort demand that
there should be no
quick changes in the
warmth of the air
throughout the house.

Storm windows
and doors hold the
storms at bay. The
cost of equipping ev-
ery window and door
is a comparatively
small item—in fact,
storm goods soon pay for them-
selves in actual fuel saved.

You are interested in safeguarding your
health and, at the same time, slicing the coal bill. Come in
and talk it over with us. Learn all about the economy of
storm windows and doors.

W. W. BIRGE CO.



It is hard to beat an Electric Curling Iron as a Christmas
Gift. After using one, no one ever goes back to the dirty,
inconvenient, old iron. Make her happy with an Electric Curling
Iron.

North Platte Light & Power Co.

always ready
summer or winter
**Red
Crown**
the Gasoline of
Quality

At Garages
everywhere



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