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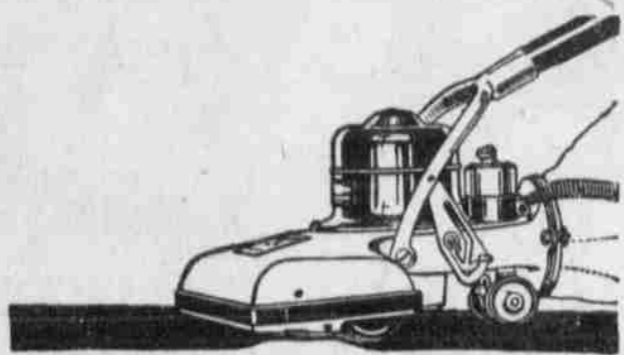
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Under the Holly Bough

"Ye who have scorned each other,
Or injured friend or brother,
In this fast fading year;
Ye who, by word or deed,
Have made a kind heart bleed,
Come gather here!

"Let sinned against and sinning
Forget their strife's beginning,
And join in friendship now,
Be links no longer broken,
Be sweet forgiveness spoken
Under the holly-bough.

"Ye who have loved each other,
Sister and friend and brother,
In this fast fading year;
Mother and sire and child,
Young man and maiden mild,
Come gather here!

"And let your heart grow fonder,
As memory shall ponder
Each past unbroken vow;
Old loves and younger wooing
Are sweet in their renewing
Under the holly-bough."

—Charles Mackay.



Origin of Quaint Traditions of the Yuletide

THE holiday season recalls
quaint ideas and Christmas
fancies of old, even back
to the ancient days of the
Druids—a time when the
mistletoe sprig, as a po-
tent mascot, was presented
as an omen of good for-
tune, as a symbol of
health, wealth and prosperity, and in
those days long ago the house that
sporting a branch of mistletoe at
Christmas would never be unlucky.

It is from the Druids that the cus-
tom of decorating our churches and
homes with evergreens comes, for they
believed that all the sylvan sprites
floated together on these boughs,
there to remain until the warm weath-
er came. In midwinter the Druids
sent around sprigs of ivy and mistle-
toe to remind the people to decorate
their dwellings with evergreens, in
order to propitiate the sylvan sprites
and secure protection from frosts and
wintry blasts. Holly berries long have
been considered as giving wonderful
power when worn in the shape of a
wreath, which must be made and worn
in imitation of a sacred crown of
thorns and of berries, and the wearer
of this crown must go alone at mid-
night on Christmas and sit in the
dark, and in accordance with that
ancient tradition, when worn on
Christmas eve the holly wreath will
evoke visions of spirit forms coming
in the air to sing their Noel songs, and
all the hosts will be seen to kneel
down in worship.

The Yule cake and Yule log, too,
have their important part in this an-
cient Saxon tradition for the Christ-
mas festival season. The cake had
the same powers as the bride cake has
on Christmas night. The Yule log was
used to light the Christmas fire the
next year because it preserved the
house from fire during the year and
subdued the spirit of the flames.
Its powers were bestowed in the days
of the Druids, when the belting fires
were lighted and the brands secured
from the fire to light the fire the next
year. The ancient Saxons burned the
Yule log as a symbol of the turning of
the sun toward spring.

Even the moon contributed its
share to Christmas superstitions, for,
as the legend runs, if Christmas comes
during the waning of the moon we
shall have a very good year, and the
nearer to the full moon the better.

Holland, perhaps, has the prettiest
custom of all nations for the Christ-
mas festival. On the night before
Christmas in commemoration of the
star of the east, the young men of
their towns assemble and carry
through the dark streets a large,
bright star; all the people go out to
greet and give to the bearers of this
"star of Bethlehem," as it is called,
alms for the poor.

Seven days before their New Year,
the Chinese worship the Kitchen God
by preparing dishes of candy and vari-
ous sweets with which they smear his
mouth. Later they burn him amid the
firing off of crackers, the deity being
sent up in a chariot of smoke and fire
to a conference with the king of the
celestial regions. The idea of smear-
ing his mouth with sweets is that he
may not say anything but honeyed
words, or that his lips may stick
together and so prevent his talking
too much.

The Kitchen God, according to story,
had been ill treated by his brother and
sister-in-law, who were very rich and
had many servants, but allowed their
brother to work with the servants and
have dinner with them. Their cruelty
developed day after day, until at last
they treated him heavenily by seating
him in a sedan chair made of paper.

The custom of giving gifts at
Christmas came, not from presents of
gold and silver given to the Christ
child, as many believe, but from an
old custom of priests putting on board
of all outgoing ships a box of alms.
This box was opened at Christmas
time and masses said for the givers
of the alms, and was called "Christ
mass" box, and from this has come
our custom of Christmas boxes and
gift giving.

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NOTICE OF PETITION.

Estate No. 1791 of Henry Wightman
deceased in the County Court of Lin-
coln County, Nebraska.
The State of Nebraska, To all per-
sons interested in said Estate (take
notice that a petition has been filed
for the Probate of the Estate of
Henry Wightman whom it is alleged
is dead—he having been missing from
his home for more than seven years
and the appointment of Wesley B.
Wightman as Administrator of said
Estate, which has been set for hear-
ing herein on January 4th, 1921 at
9 o'clock A. M.
Dated December 11th, 1920.
Wm. H. C. WOODHURST,
D14-3wks County Judge.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A baby girl was born Thursday to
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Baker.
Ellen Flynn left Saturday for her
home in Belgrade.

Miss Gertrude Baker left Saturday
morning for Denver to spend the hol-
idays with relatives.

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er.

Mrs. John White, of Hillsdale, Wyo.,
is visiting relatives in this city. Mrs.
White was formerly Miss Edna Faulk.
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aha Saturday night to take further
treatment for physical ailments.

Mrs. A. F. Streitz will leave shortly
for Long Beach, Cal., to visit her son
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NOTICE OF TAKING UP ESTRAY.

Taken up by the undersigned on his
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North Platte, Lincoln Co., Nebraska,
on the first day of July 1920, one iron
gray mare weighing 1000 lbs. and one
yearling weighing about 700 lbs.
Dated this 18th day of Nov. 1920.
Signed: A. E. MOORE.

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er piano in storage in North Platte.
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NOTICE OF TAKING UP ESTRAY

Taken up by the undersigned on his
premises eight miles southeast of
North Platte, Lincoln County, Neb.,
on or about November 20, 1920, one
black mare with a small star, weight
about 1150, about ten years old. Dated
this 4th day of December, 1920.
THEODORE SAMUELSON.

NOTICE OF TAKING UP ESTRAY.

Taken up by the undersigned on
his premises on the southern limits
of the city of North Platte, Lincoln
Co., Nebraska, on Nov. 1, 1920, one
chunky black horse, four years old.
Dated this 18th day of Nov. 1920.
Signed: F. E. PAYNE.

NOTICE OF PETITION

Estate No. 1505 of Woodward R. Yohe,
deceased, in the County Court of
Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska. To all per-
sons interested in said Estate, take
notice that a petition has been filed for
the appointment of G. J. Taylor as ad-
ministrator with the will annexed of
said estate, which has been set for
hearing herein on January 11th, 1921,
at 10 o'clock a. m.

Dated December 15th, 1920
(SEAL) WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
98-3w County Judge.

NOTICE OF CHATTEL MORTGAGE SALE.

Notice is hereby given that by vir-
tue of a chattel mortgage executed
by Sam Hawkins on the 4th day of
May 1920, on one gray horse mule,
ten years old, one brown mare mule,
10 years old, one Ackerman wide-tire
wagon and one set double work har-
ness, I will on Tuesday, Jan. 4th at
11 o'clock on my place 14 miles north-
west of North Platte offer for sale
said above described property. There
is now due on said mortgage together
with the expense of up-keep to Jan. 4,
\$132.50 and said mortgage is filed in
the office of the County Clerk of Lin-
coln County, Nebraska, in the city of
North Platte.

Dated this 10th day of Dec. 1920.
HENRY O. WAYMAN,
Owner of Mortgage.

CHANGE OF ROAD NO. 195.

To whom it may concern:

The special commissioner appointed
to locate a road as follows: Commenc-
ing on the northline of Section 5
and 6 and thence going south to
main road running north and south
about 100 rods between 5 and 6 on
section line, has reported in favor of
the same as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center
line of Road No. 195, about 70 feet
south of the corner to Secs. 5 and 6,
T. 12, N. R. 28, W. of 6th P. M. on the
3rd standard parallel north running
thence south on line between said
sections 5 and 6 about 33 chains to
connect with Station 3 of Road 195,
provided however, that the parties
owning the land on both sides of this
change grade the road and fill the
channels, place the necessary cul-
verts, free of charge to Lincoln County
which they agreed to do, and pro-
vided further that said parties build
extension of 20 feet to the north of
present concrete bridge near Station 3
of Road 195 to make travel safe, all
parties having objections thereto of
claims for damages by the establish-
ment of said road must file same in
the office of the County Clerk of Lin-
coln County, North Platte, Nebraska,
on or before 12 o'clock noon of the
16th day of February, 1921.

Dated at North Platte, Nebr., this
6th day of December, 1920.

(SEAL) A. S. ALLEN,
County Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate No. 1786 of Richard L.
Graves, deceased in the County Court
of Lincoln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, se: Credit-
ors of said estate will take notice
that the time limited for presenta-
tion and filing of claims against said
Estate is August 1st, 1921, and for set-
tlement of said Estate is December
13th, 1921; that I will sit at the coun-
ty court room in said county on Feb-
ruary 1st, 1921 at 9 o'clock A. M., and
on May 1st, 1921, at 9 o'clock A. M.,
to receive, examine, hear, allow or
adjust all claims and objections duly
filed.

All claims not filed on or before
August 1st 1921 will be forever barred.
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NOTICE OF PETITION

Estate No. 1782 of Nettie A. Yohe, de-
ceased, in the County Court of Lin-
coln County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska. To all per-
sons interested in said Estate take
notice that a petition has been filed for
the allowance to probate and proof of
the last will and testament of Nettie
A. Yohe, deceased, and the appoint-
ment of Guy A. Yohe and John E. Wall
as executors of said estate, which has
been set for hearing herein on January
11th, 1921 at 10 o'clock a. m.

Dated December 15th, 1920.
(SEAL) WM. H. C. WOODHURST,
98-3w County Judge.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued
by the District Court of Lincoln Coun-
ty, Nebraska, upon a decree of fore-
closure rendered in said court, where-
in Anna Voss is plaintiff and Clyde M.
Trotter, Mena Trotter, his wife, and
L. E. Mohiman, as Trustee in Bank-
ruptcy of Clyde M. Trotter, Bank-
rupt, are defendants, and to me di-
rected, I will on the 31st day of Decem-
ber, 1920, at two o'clock P. M. at the
east front door of the court house in
the City of North Platte, County of
Lincoln and State of Nebraska, sell
at public auction to the highest bidder
for cash to satisfy said decree, inter-
est and costs the following described
property, to-wit: all of Lot Ten (10)
of Block Two (2) of Riverdale Addi-
tion to the City of North Platte, Ne-
braska, subject to a certain mortgage
to the Nebraska State Building and
Loan Association, which is recorded in
Book 47 at page 149 of the records of
Lincoln County, Nebraska.

Dated at North Platte, Nebraska,
November 29, 1920.

(SEAL) A. J. SALISBURY,
n03d31 Sheriff