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## Some Very Old Yuletide Celebrations

It is certain that very early in the Christian era Christmas was celebrated in Britain, mingling in its festivities some of the winter festival customs of the ancient Britons and the Roman invaders, for traces of those celebrations are still seen in some of the Christmas customs of modern times.

The ancient Goths and Saxons called their festival Yule. Throughout the middle ages and down to the reformation the festival of Christmas engrafted on the pagan rites of Yule continued throughout Christendom to be universally celebrated with every mark of rejoicing. On the adoption of a new system of faith by most of the northern nations of Europe in the sixteenth century the Lutheran and Anglican churches retained the celebration of Christmas and other festivals, which Calvinists rejected absolutely, denouncing the observance of all such days, except Sunday, as superstitious and unscriptural.

During the reign of Alfred the Great a law was passed in relation to holidays, by virtue of which the twelve days after the Nativity of our Saviour were set apart for the celebration of the Christmas festival. Some writers are of the opinion that but for Alfred's strict observance of the "full twelve holy days" he would not have been defeated by the Danes in 878, for it is charged that his enjoyment of the festivities of Christmas hindered him from preparation for the battle.

We find that in 961 King Edgar celebrated the Christmas festival with great splendor at York, and in 1013 Ethelred kept his Christmas, with the brave citizens of London who had defended the capital, with a siege and stoutly resisted Swegen, the tyrant king of the Danes.

Edward the Confessor, it is noted, celebrated the first Christmas festival of his coronation with great rejoicing, and in 1066 on Christmas day William the Conqueror was crowned king of England at Westminster. The Norman kings and nobles who now became rulers of England displayed their taste for magnificence in the most remarkable manner at their coronations, tournaments and their celebrations of Christmas, Easter and Whitsuntide.

At the Christmas feast minstrels played on various musical instruments during dinner and sang or told tales afterward both in the hall and in the chamber to which the king and his nobles retired for amusement. Thus it is written of a court minstrel:

Before the king he set him down  
 And took his harp of merry sound;  
 And, as he full well can,  
 Many merry notes he began.

In 1067 the Conqueror kept a grand Christmas in London, having invited a number of the Saxon chiefs to participate, and also caused a proclamation to be read in all the churches declaring it to be his will that "all the citizens of London should enjoy their national laws as in the days of King Edward."

In the hall the serf and vassal  
 Held that night their Christmas wassail;  
 Many a carol, old and saintly,  
 Sang the minstrels and the waits.

—Philadelphia Press.

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We have received appointment as an associate editor of the Soldiers Weekly News Letter published at Portland. The publication will not be run for profit, will carry no advertising or subscription charge, but will be sent free to the Oregon boys in the trenches, thus supplying them with news from their own town and state. The paper will be published by the Northwest Patriotic Press Association, of which we have been chosen an honorary life member on account of "having rendered distinguished services to the soldiers and sailors of the State of Oregon."

For Re-Publication.

### NOTICE OF HEARING.

Department of the Interior,  
 United States Land Office,  
 October 18th, 1917.

Serial No. 017636  
 Contest No. 1110

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioner of the General Land Office, by his letter of Oct. 10th, 1917, has allowed the application of Marquess C. Lewis, of Keating, Oregon, for a hearing to determine the mineral or nonmineral character of the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 and W 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 16, Tp. 10 S., R. 44 E., W. M.

The records of this office show that said land was adjudicated mineral in character by Commissioner's Letter "N" of November 21st, 1894, as the result of a hearing held on application by the State of Oregon therefor, to determine the character of said school section, and that the State has selected and had approved and certified to its indemnity selections based on its losses in said section.

In his application for a hearing, it is alleged by the said Albert E. Rutter, and two witnesses, that the lands above described are nonmineral in character.

Any and all persons, therefore, who claim any right, title, or interest in said lands, or any part thereof, or who may be claiming the same for mineral purposes, by location, occupation, or otherwise, or who may desire to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal of applicant, are hereby notified to appear and offer evidence touching the character of the land above described, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Jan. 25th, 1918, before W. L. Patterson, Notary Public, at his office at Baker, Oregon, and the final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock, A. M., on February 25th, 1918, before the Register and Receiver, at the United States Land Office at La Grande, Oregon.

C. S. DUNN, Register.

NOLAN SKIFF, Receiver.  
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### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

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 Department of the Interior,  
 U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon,  
 Sept. 28th, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that Bernice A. Stagg, whose post office address is Richland, Oregon, did, on the 27th day of December, 1916, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 016897, to purchase the NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 31, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 32, and SW 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 29, Township 9 South, Range 44 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, at \$340.00, the timber estimated at 210,000 board feet at 75c and \$1.00 per M, and the land \$150.00; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 31st day of January, 1918, before Woodson L. Patterson, United States Commissioner, at his office, at Baker, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.  
 C. S. DUNN, Register.

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 Department of the Interior,  
 U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon,  
 November 19, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that John O. Gray, former husband and heir of Myra L. Jacobs, deceased, of Richland, Oregon, who, on November 27, 1911, made Homestead Entry, No. 00996, for SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec. 8, N 1/2 NW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 17, Tp. 9 S., R. 44 E., and on July 2, 1914, made Ad. H. E. No. 013512, for SW 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec. 8, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 17, E 1/2 NE 1/4, Section 18, Township 9 South, Range 44 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Five-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. B. Combs, Jr., Clerk of County Court, at Baker, Oregon, on the 9th day of January, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: Jesse Sinclair, John W. Boyce, Harry Jacobs, William Ritch, all of Richland, Oregon.  
 C. S. Dunn, Register.

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 Department of the Interior,  
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Notice is hereby given that Ferdinand G. Geils, of Richland, Oregon, who, on May 1, 1914, made Homestead Entry, No. 012925, for S 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 16, W 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 21, Tp. 9 S., R. 44 E., and on Jan. 4, 1915, made Ad. H. E. No. 014188, for W 1/2 SE 1/4, E 1/2 SW 1/4, Section 21, Township 9 South, Range 44 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three-year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. B. Combs, Jr., Clerk of County Court, at Baker, Oregon, on the 8th day of January, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: J. W. Boyce, M. M. Barren, Harry Jacobs, John Grey, all of Richland, Oregon.  
 C. S. Dunn, Register.  
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### Notice to Sheep Owners

No grazing or trespassing is permitted on the S 1/2 SE 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4, S 1/2 SW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 7, Tp. 9 S., Range 45 East. Any and all violators will be punished as the law provides. Take warning. H. F. Lambert.—ad24

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 Department of the Interior,  
 U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon,  
 Sept. 28th, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that Ira D. Stagg, whose post office address is Richland, Oregon, did, on the 27th day of December, 1916, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 016898, to purchase the S 1/2 NW 1/4 and S 1/2 NE 1/4, Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 44 East, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, at \$400.00, the timber estimated at 520,000 board feet at 50c per M, and the land \$200.00; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 31st day of January, 1918, before Woodson L. Patterson, United States Commissioner, at his office, at Baker, Oregon.

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 C. S. DUNN, Register.

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 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
 U. S. Land Office at La Grande, Oregon,  
 November 19th, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that Alexander E. Simonis, of Richland, Oregon, who, on December 12, 1910, made Homestead Application, No. 08873, for N 1/2 SE 1/4, Section 14, and W 1/2 SW 1/4, Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 44 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Five-year Proof to establish claim to the land above described before Charles J. Shelton, United States Commissioner, at Halfway, Oregon, on the 2th day of January, 1918.

Claimant names as witnesses: P. T. Wyatt, W. A. Wyatt, Jay Schultz, and George Gordon, all of Richland, Oregon.  
 C. S. DUNN, Register.

### Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that W. H. Bradford, the duly appointed, qualified and acting administrator of the estate of Rachel Bradford, deceased, had filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Baker, his final account and report of and concerning his administration of said estate and that January 5th, 1918, at the hour 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, is the time fixed and appointed for a final hearing and adjudication thereof. Any and all persons interested in said estate are hereby notified to be and appear in said court on or before said day and hour and show cause, if any there be, why said final account and report should not be approved as filed; the administrator discharged; his bondsmen exonerated and said estate fully and finally settled and closed.

W. H. BRADFORD, Administrator  
 W. H. Strayer, Attorney.  
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