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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God, Free and Independent, Frank Joseph McCormick and Marie A. McCormick, Send Greeting.  
You are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear before our Surrogate of the County of New York, at the Surrogate's Court of said County, held at County Court House, in the City and County of New York, on the 14th day of December, 1928, at 10:30 o'clock, in the forenoon of that day, there and there to show cause why the will of the said deceased, as aforesaid, should not be appointed Administrator of the goods, chattels and credits of Francis B. McCormick, deceased, as aforesaid, in her petition filed with the clerk of this court.  
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have caused the Seal of the Surrogate Court to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Abner C. Thomas, Esq., Surrogate of our said County, at the County of New York, the 14th day of October, 1928.  
DANIEL J. DOWDULY  
Clerk of the Surrogate Court.

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## THE POSSUM DINNER

**A THANKSGIVING DAY POEM**  
By Goodloe Thomas  
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NOW, eb'rybody ought to know dey's welkin as kain be.  
So pitch right in an' he'p yo' selbs to eb'ryting yo' see.  
Jes' stah't dem biakits goin' round, fo' dat's yo' job, o' man,  
An' ohase dem wif de sweet pertaters quick 's dey leab yo' han'.  
(Now, Mose, yo' show yo' mannahs 'fo' dese folks, er Ah tell yo'  
Dah'll be a ohile go hongry, an' he'll git a lickin' too).  
Heah, Uncle Dan, is de possum meat—Ah's lookin' at'ah dat—  
An' heah's a piece espesh'y youahs, all brown an' streaked wif fat.

WHA'S dat—de graby! Don' yo' fret; it's comin' right up dah,  
An' siah! W'y dat air possum fat enough, I do declah,  
To mek enough er graby fo' de ma'chin' Isralites.  
Heah, Rev'end Mistah Fe'guson, be suah yo' gets yo' rights.  
De smell an' sweet! W'y, man, yo' tas' an' dea I bet yo' shout  
An' mek de neighbors wondah wha' de fuz am all about.  
Heah, little Eph Now, chile, I's sated yo' sumpin' nice an' sweet.  
Wha's dat! Good lan'! Dis boy is sayin' he don' lak possum meat.



"NOW FO' DE POSSUM DINNER"

HE saize he don' lak possum meat, an' him a son o' mine!  
Now, honey, tuh'n to all dese folks an' knowledge up yo' lyin'.  
Mek out 'tuz jes' a lil' joke to aggravate yo' ma,  
Or, 'olar' to goodness, Ah's jes' boun' to whup yo' till yo' raw!  
Yo' speak de trufe, yo' li' imp! Den wha's yo' doin' heah  
A-settin' up wif niggah folks to mek yo' se'f appeah  
A niggah, too, when ob'ry one kain tell, in spite youah black,  
Dat tuh'nin' 'way f'um possum meat yo' ain't de hones' sack?

WELL, dere, yo' pa saize nobbah min', bekaize yo's such a mite;  
Dat 'tain't youah fault yo' sum'ays missed youah nachul appetita.  
Hol' out yo' plate; dere's plenty mo' to fill a chile lak yo'.  
De good Lawd mek yo' suhtain ways, Ah spose, dat's got to do.  
But, lan'! Ah's 'feared yo' grow up wrong an' mebbe be a shame  
To all de collahd circle an' de 'spected fam'ly name,  
Fo' obbah senos Ah's ol' enough to stan' upon ma feet  
Ah's s'plahoned any niggah dat would tuh'n f'um possum meat.

### EMPEROR AT THE PLOW.

Peculiarities of China's Thanksgiving Celebration.

In China at the beginning of winter a thanksgiving festival is held at which the deities are especially thanked for the preservation of life and health during the preceding twelve

can partake. The feasting and rejoicing are kept up for days.

On the fifteenth day of the first moon the emperor of China goes in great state to a certain field, accompanied by the chief officers of his household, and prostrates himself, touching the ground nine times with his head in honor of the god Tien, and pronounces a prayer invoking the blessing of the great being. Then as high priest of the empire he sacrifices a bullock to heaven as the fountain of all good.

While the victim is being offered a plow drawn by a pair of highly ornamented oxen is brought to the emperor, who throws aside his imperial robe, lays hold of the plow handles and opens several furrows. The principal mandarins follow his example, and the festival, which is really a species of thanks in advance for good harvests, ends with a distribution of clothes and money to the poor.

### "RABBIT HUNTING DANCE."

Odd Thanksgiving Festival Held by the Pueblo Indians.

The "rabbit hunting dance" of the Pueblo Indians at Zuni, Acoma, Taos and Isleta is a festival contemporaneous with that of the white man. In the dance the Indians give thanks and pray for future favors. The chief of each village designates a day in November for the festival, and the dancers, who are dressed in white cotton shirts and pantaloons and carry guns, chant and dance as long as breath and strength remain. They begin at daylight and after a pause for food at noon continue dancing far into the night. They pray fervently that the Great Spirit may give them power to play plenty of rabbits and other game and also thank him for the game, the crops and the rain of the season past.

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