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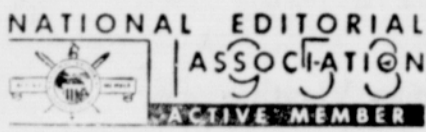
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**THANKSGIVING**

By FRED W. MARTIN

The spirit of America, so staunch, and grand and true,  
Where floats the emblem of the flag, its red, white, and its blue.  
The laughter in the children's eyes, and the sunshine  
in their gleam—  
The mother's song of lullabys, where little tots are seen.

Our harvest wears no traits of greed  
Where reapers toil—grain fields achieve,  
So gay in heart, some work and sing  
While youth and age thus has its fling.

The riches we claim that we do cherish  
The boon of joy will never perish.  
There is no empty chair inside the home  
Although one boy has gone away to roam.

Another one has come to take his place  
A friend that came to spend the day of grace.  
Although there's sorrow for the boy that's gone  
This holiday of joys since early morn.

This peaceful day, Thanksgiving that is blest  
That causes men to strive and do their best.  
The path ahead, and promises he sows  
After reaping harvest 'fore the winter's snows.

As symbol flame of Justice it does burn  
No one dares rob the toiler what he earn.  
For riches that are ours—thanks we give  
For orchards, fruits and flowers that do live.

The thanks we give today to God in power  
For ripe fruit in the orchard, and the flower.  
The homes of children's smiles and hearthfires blazing  
O'er this peaceful land where happy cattle're grazing.

That day when Pilgrims on the rock did land  
To worship God along the ocean strand.  
Over three centuries had passed since this privilege  
was given,  
To cause free-men to exist among the living.

**On the Reef**

By BILL PHELPS

Among the many things we have to be thankful for here, I can think of none that gives so much security to the people of this city as the Walking Blood Bank. And every time it operates, I feel a little more secure.

This week, for instance, it went into action again. At 2 a.m. in the morning, two donors were routed out of their beds and were on their way to Crescent City within a half hour, to give blood to a young mother undergoing a Caesarian section.

And one of the amazing things about it is, that at two a.m., in the middle of a cold, rainy night,

one of the donors thanked the caller for the opportunity to go! It was Violet Wallace who did that, and who, 30 minutes later was on her way with John Seimiller to give blood to a young lady she didn't know. The week before, Neill Nelson and Wes Kindall answered an emergency call in the same way.

In all the times that the bank has been used since it was conceived (and there have been quite a few), not one single individual has refused to answer a call for help from the Crescent City hospital. Not one.

So, as I say, when you're looking for something to be thankful for here, don't look very far. Just glance at your neighbors around you, the people who make up the blood bank.

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**FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH**

By CLIFFORD P. ROWE

Too many of us are inclined with the coming of the Thanksgiving season to count among our blessings only those which affect us as individuals. Rarely do we take note of those benefits that have come to us as people lucky enough to be born in a democracy.

This weakness was brought home to me forcibly just recently while discussing with some young people the enviable place that the laboring man has won for himself in today's society. I was amazed to discover that they were unaware that such had not always been the case.

For those of us whose life span embraces almost half a century, labor's present status gives ample cause for true thanksgiving. For we can still remember when the laboring man was but little removed from slavery and when his rights as an individual to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness were merely high-sounding words in our declaration of independence.

Through the long centuries of recorded time, the lot of the man who worked with his hands had been one of servitude, dependent upon the crumbs of charity grudgingly cast his way by those possessed of the world's wealth. Few even dreamed that the time would ever come when the laboring man could hold up his head among men as the equal of any.

Yet in the comparatively short time since the turn of the century, this hope has become reality. The laborer and his employer now meet as equals at the negotiation table and as a result the position of each is made more stable and the principle of democracy can claim a living example of its handiwork.

And so today I am thankful for the achievements of those great leaders who kindled in the minds and the wills of their fellow men the desire for betterment and led them through those hazardous years when long imbedded opposition fought to deprive them of their right to freedom.

The happy homes of countless millions stand today as a living monument to this outstanding accomplishment of the century.

**Thanksgiving Service Planned At C. S. Church**

A special Thanksgiving service, open to the general public, is announced by Christian Science Society, for 11 o'clock on Thanksgiving Day. The service will be held in the church across from the green house.

The latter portion of the service will be devoted to spontaneous expressions of gratitude by Christian Scientists for God's goodness as shown in spiritual growth, healings, and other blessings.

Selections on the subject of praise and thanksgiving to God will be read from the Bible and from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, in a specially prepared lesson-sermon entitled "Thanksgiving."

The service is open to the general public and local church members have invited everyone to attend.

**Nayborhill News**

Several ladies of Nayborhill attended the Home Extension meeting held at the home of Fay Stanhurst on Wednesday, Nov. 18. The project for the day was, "Oregon Sweets."

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mason are back home after a stay of a year in Alaska. "Welcome home — Carl and Billie."

Mrs. L. Fowler of the Airport district was a visitor of the Ed Ravekes home Thursday afternoon.

One morning last week before day-break Ed Ravekes was out feeding the rabbits when he heard the most un-earthly sound coming from right over his left shoulder. He almost dove head-on into the rabbit coop before he realized what it was. Yep, it was that COW again, looking for greener pasture I guess?

Speaking of keeping Pioneer road hot — The Estes Mortons have been doing just that. They are building a new home on Park Drive and must spend a lot of time between Pioneer road, the Bank and Park Drive.

The William Eickhoffs and Ed

Ravekes spent a very enjoyable evening last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Springer of Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zump were guests also.

Next Nayborhill Club meeting will be held at Mrs. Lee Drorbaugh's home December 2.

Members please bring your can tops, tin snips and ribbon for making the bells, also tin foil, scotch tape, knitting needle, scissors for making the foil tree.

**St. George's Light Now Automatic**

The lighthouse at St. George's reef was unmanned last week.

Members of the lighthouse crew were taken off the rock, after the light was converted to an automatic beacon.

The change was made because of the dangerous location of the light. Transfer of personnel from boats to the light has always been a risky business.

The present plan is to maintain the light as an automatic one unless it proves necessary again to man it.

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