

BEING THANKFUL

Some people seem to have almost everything they could possibly want, yet they don't appreciate it. Others seem to have very little, yet they manage to be grateful for what they have.

So the true spirit of thankfulness is not dependent on what a person has to be thankful for. Rather, it is a matter of the person's nature. Either he is one who is naturally appreciative, or he is selfish and ungrateful.

Most young folks have plenty to be thankful for, even those who seem unfortunate in many ways. And it doesn't do anybody any harm to stop once in a while and "count your blessings."

That's what Thanksgiving is for. It's a good time to think how lucky you are in many ways. But thinking isn't quite enough. Try to express your gratitude so that people know you are grateful. If you do that, Thanksgiving Day will mean more to you than just a chance to fill up on turkey and pumpkin pie.

The state of North Carolina has passed legislation amending the general statutes to make it possible for any county, city or town, regardless of population, to place its employees under a statewide retirement system by action of the governing board.

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SENATE GROUP OK'S RAISE OF SALARIES

Washington, Nov. 15—The senate civil service committee approved today a bill raising the pay of civil service employees 20 percent.

It left for further consideration proposals to raise congressmen's pay from \$10,000 to \$20,000, cabinet members from \$15,000 to \$20,000, and supreme court justices from \$20,000 to \$30,000.

The bill provides a 2 percent increase "for offices or positions in the executive branch." But Senator Mead (D., N.Y.), expressed the opinion this would not apply to cabinet members.

The Wisconsin legislature has passed a cost-of-living bonus bill which will grant state employees increases totaling \$484,488 for the next two years. Provision was made for the adjustment of bonuses July 1 in accordance with the cost-of-living index.

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