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## Thanksgiving Day

Oldest of all American holidays, Thanksgiving is the annual occasion for the renewal of our faith as a people in the beneficence of a Divine Providence upon whose watchful care over us our lives and liberties depend.

Regardless of race or creed, it is impossible that any American who is not an utter atheist should fail to recognize and to offer thankful prayers to the Divine Spirit which has so marvelously and triumphantly brought us through the pitfalls and crisis of the past three hundred years and lifted us as a people to the highest state of spiritual and physical liberty and the greatest and most widely distributed material prosperity ever enjoyed by any people, anywhere, at any time in the long, long history of mankind's struggle upward toward the goal of the millennium.

Whether we believe in a personal Deity, or hold, in the language of the Westminster Catechism, that "God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth," abiding in the hearts of men, it is surely meet and fitting that on this Thanksgiving Day, when the other peoples of the world are torn between economic suffering and the horrors of war, we should give grateful and heartfelt thanks for our deliverance and protection from the fate of the peoples who have been seduced into surrendering their physical liberties for false promises of security, only to find themselves bereft of the most precious of all human possessions, the liberty of the human spirit.

## Drunks and the Law

An editorial in the Winston-Salem Journal said that a judge in Massachusetts had turned a man loose although he was guilty of killing two persons with a car which he was trying to operate while drunk.

If this unbelievable interpretation of the law was given throughout the land bedlam would reign on the highways and the automobile driver would be taking such risks that life insurance would be a practical impossibility.

Under the law a person with a maximum of intelligence could plan and execute a murder without much fear of capital punishment. He would need only to get half drunk, act crazy drunk, pick a fight with his victim and "bump him off" at the most opportune instant to make it look like self defense.

The man who harbors hate toward another and kills him without such scheming, in some instances because the killer is lacking in mentality, is tried for his life and often lands in the state's gas chamber.

In Russia, nowadays, the "ex" in the title of a former industrial executive, means extinct.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

There has been a change of styles in military heroes. The latest is the one who challenges any six unarmed children in the hall.—Detroit News.

## Hunters and Farmers

Occasionally some farmer writes us and asks that we write something to discourage wanton waste of game on the part of hunters and their apparent disregard of property rights.

This week we received a communication from a rural resident saying that he has lespedeza fields and that bird hunters are trampling down the lespedeza, knocking off the seed, which will sprout on warm days and the legume will not reseed itself in the spring.

Courtesy has its place in hunting and we have known people to make enemies by deliberately going over lands without permission. After all, the lespedeza belongs to the landowner, it is his property and he has a right to protect it from dogs and tramping hunters.

Hunting is a great sport, but hunters should be very careful of the manner in which they treat property belonging to others. If a man does not want hunters on his place, that is his business, and he has a perfect right under the law to forbid them on his lands.

## The Trailer Migration

Along all the main highways leading South the procession of migrating trailers is beginning to grow larger every day. Like the birds, the ordinary people of America are forming the habit of seeking warm climates in Winter.

Life in a trailer is the gasoline age's answer to the gypsy urge which is more or less universal in the human spirit. All of us have a tinge of wanderlust in our blood, an inheritance from our nomadic ancestors of thousands of years ago.

Yet the urge persists to move on to new lands. We are still filled with curiosity to see what is on the other side of the hills. And the trailer provides the opportunity to wander without detaching ourselves too far from the conveniences and comforts of the civilized life to which we have become accustomed, at the least possible expense.

## Sunday School Lesson

By REV. CHARLES E. DUNN

### CHRISTIAN FRUITFULNESS

Lesson for November 28—John 15:1-16  
GOLDEN TEXT: JOHN 15:8

Jesus was aware of the fallacy of origins. "By their fruits ye shall know them," he declared. Fruits, not roots, are the ultimate test of Christian experience.

After Darwin had published his epoch-making "Origin of Species" it was supposed by many that he had effectively smothered religion. "How can we believe," cried indignant churchmen, "that man is the best and final creation of God, if he emerged out of the jungle?"

Institutions must be measured by the same test. Consider our colleges. It is helpful to know that Harvard, our oldest nursery of higher learning, was founded in 1636 and named after John Harvard, a Congregational minister who bequeathed his library together with half of his estate, to the college.

The Lord's Day should be judged in like manner. Scholars tell us that the Sabbath existed long before Abraham, that the Hebrews took it from Assyria and Babylon. But Sunday observance should be appraised, at bottom, by its fruits. That is a wise old proverb. "The proof the pudding is the eating thereof."

So with the Lord's Supper. How beautiful was the Last Supper! The inspiring words of our lesson are a part of what the Master then said. But we must remember that the sacrament of the Communion should be estimated not so much by its beginning as by its effects upon the lives of believers.

## The Bridge Club

by A. B. CHAPIN

### THANKSGIVING AFTERMATH

OH DEAR—WE HAD A TEN POUND ONE AND WITH ONLY GEORGE AND ME AND THE BABY WE HARDLY MADE A DENT IN IT!!  
WHEW! SMALL—I DO TO USE IT UP—??

I HEATED MY LEFT-OVER SALLY LUNG IN A PAPER BAG! THEY'RE FINE WITH CRANBERRY JUICE!

I MADE MY LEFT-OVER STYRUP AND WASHED POTATOES AND FROZE THE LEFT-OVER POTATO CAKES—HARRY WAS CRAZY ABOUT IT—

MARRIED! I MARRIED IN THE "REGISTRATION ROOM" AT THE TURKEY!

SLICED GOLDEN "FIRST DAY" CROQUETTES IN "SHRIMP"!  
HARR, HARR! MARY'S LEFT-OVER SUNDAY USE 'EM BONES FOR SOUP ON FOURTH DAY!  
CALL 'EM NEIGHBORS DOG AFTER THAT—HARR, DID YOU CALL?

## Wife Of Missing Justice Ready To Make 'Sensational Charges'

New York, Nov. 20.—Mrs. Stella M. Crater, whose politically prominent husband, Supreme Court Justice Force Crater, vanished mysteriously seven years ago, was described by friends today as ready to make "sensational charges" about his unsolved disappearance.

She would, they said, demand a new and sweeping re-investigation of the whole case by District Attorney-Elect Thomas E. Dewey, Dewey, vacationing in Bermuda, planned to fly home Monday.

Crater vanished August 6, 1930, in the midst of the sensational disclosures of the Seabury investigation.

He was one of the leading members of the bench, a friend and protégé of United States Senator Robert F. Wagner and other Tammany bigwigs.

### Fire Hazards

To guard against fires during cold months, warns David S. Weaver, of State College, farm folk should see to it that no inflammable material accumulates around stoves, fireplaces, chimneys or flues. Heating systems should be checked and flues and chimneys cleaned frequently.

## Local Theatre Lovers Are Advised To Hold Everything

Lovers of the best in legitimate theatre entertainment are advised to mark up on their amusement calendar the following date—Dec. 1, and hold everything for that time for the gala engagement at the State Theatre, Winston-Salem, N. C. of the 1937 Pulitzer Prize Play, "You Can't Take It With You."

## "THANKS A MILLION" FOR ANOTHER MILLION IN 1937!

Again in 1937, for the second consecutive year, motorists will have purchased more than one million Chevrolets; and they are now giving an even greater measure of friendship and favor to Chevrolet for 1938.

Again this year, at Thanksgiving time, we of Chevrolet wish to express our deep and sincere appreciation for the loyal friendship of motor car buyers in 1937 and, in fact, throughout more than a quarter-century.

You who motor have always been exceedingly generous in your response to Chevrolet products, and this year you have been particularly generous, as is clearly indicated by the following facts:

You have displayed such keen and enthusiastic favor for Chevrolet that this is the second consecutive year in which you will have purchased more than one million new Chevrolets!

You have shown the same eager liking for Chevrolet trucks and commercial cars, with the result that they have become known as the *thrift-carriers for the nation!*

You have paid Chevrolet dealers an overwhelming tribute of confidence by purchasing more than 1,750,000 used cars from the only men who sell used cars bearing the famous *Guaranteed OK* tag!

And now you are giving still further evidence of your friendship by awarding the new Chevrolet for 1938 the most enthusiastic endorsement any new Chevrolet has ever received!

Thank you for your friendship... "thanks a million" for another million in 1937... and you may rest assured that Chevrolet will also express its appreciation in deeds by continuing to serve you faithfully and by continuing to build the kind of car you'll always prefer to own.

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