FAVORS OF ALMIGHTY BLESS THIS NATION

Rev. Dr. Hirst Points Out the Manifold Advantages Enjoyed by the Inited States in the World of Today.

"Four hundred years ago Queen Isabella sold her jewels and secured \$7,000 to equip the little feet of Christopher Columbus. The country which he' discovered on his voyage to the westward has grown to such proportions that its wealth is increasing at the rate of \$2,500,000 every twenty-four a very different ideal, that of liberty. hours. Imagine an investment of \$7,000 which has made such great wealth possible. Is there not reason for thankegiving in the United States?" said Rev. A. C. Hirst in his Thanksgiving day service at the First Methodist church. "The progress our nation has made during the past year is marvelous. From mine and factory the output has been greater than ever before.

"Yet, over the year there hangs a great cloud. One of our citizens, crazed by the victous teachings imported from the other side of the Atlantic, shot down our chief their own ideals. executive. A greater sorrow never befell a nation. It is the one dark spot in the bright history of the past year. But a strong, Godfearing man stepped into the place left vacant by the noble McKinley. The ruler of all empires and republics gave us a president who is worthy of the nation.

Geography and Christianity. "In reviewing the history of the United States the thought must force itself upon principle that all men are created free the student that a geographical position nation. The time has come when geography must be studied from a Christian stand-Worship, to be acceptable, must be intelligent. Faith has its basis in the logic of facts. Vast oceans, rich valleys and mountains of mineral wealth are divine facts, magnificent object lessons. They are the indices of universal history and the mute prophets of our future.

"Valleys are the homes of civilization Since time began the valley has been the abode of civilized men. Commerce was born of alluvial deposits, mineral wealth ocean breezes and magnificent harbors. It has centralized population and has broken down the barriers of nationalities. The physical geography of the United States the heritage of the downtrodden and of the was the prelude and prophet of its great-

all commerce and the key to the old world. saw the young giant come out of the west The wealth of the Orient must pass through with the avowed intention of bringing freehe Golden Gate. In the harbor of the dom where freedom was unknown, they St. John's lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted cars operated the entire length, thus blnd-California city there is room for the ships of laughed, they ridiculed. But our ships of Masons, last night at Freemasons' hall was the world. Europe may struggle for the war destroyed that second Spanish Ar- one of the most successful of the meetings rade of the old world, but it cannot hold mada and the nations have seen the truth at which the members and friends of the It away from our western shores. Europe of our declarations and the development lodge assemble with the women of their may formulate great plans and dig chan- of our liberty, which has not reached its households. The large assembly hall was sels for commerce, but the lines of trade limits. were settled in the foundation plans of the world. The council of eternity made the an appalling instance of what may come with an overture by the Boyd orchestra. program for all future. God has written from liberty, from unrestricted freedom of our destiny in characters that cannot be through the Alps will not change the writings of the Almighty.

European Efforts in Vain.

"Europe may construct an Adriatic rallway and shorten the time between London and Alexandria in Egypt; it may connect the Caspian and across the frontier to the China; but the Pacific must be blockaded must be reckoned with.

According to writers of that day Masonry in England had declined until there were must be reckoned with. and the trade winds stopped before the mighty tides of Oriental trade can be turned from San Francisco. Channels of commerce were cut by the Omnipotent. Time, statesmanship, legislation and money cannot change them. The course of civilization is surely determined by geography. "Great dangers face the United States in

its increasing trade with the Orient. Thousands of people who are wholly unlike our citizens will be dumped upon our shores each year. The evils of the old world will be brought to us with the wealth of the Orient. A change of politics and religion is threatened by this great influx of strangers, who know nothing of Christianity and a republican form of government. But the strangers who have come to us in the past have been swallowed up in the sea of loval citizens and the result has not been disastrous. Our institutions soon become the institutions of the men and the world. The duty of the Christian church is clear. It must meet these newcomers and convert them into an army of loyal Godfearing citizens."

Music a Feature.

The music at the First Methodist Episco pal church was given by the robed choir under direction of Thomas J. Kelly, as The Lord's Prayer was chanted in the north tower before the choir entered the church. The "Jubilate" was sung and the anthem was a beautiful setting of special Thanksgiving words, beginning "To thee, Oh Lord, our hearts we raise." organ music was of a festive nature. Built Around Ideal Liberty

The congregations of the churches in the Hanscom park district united in a Thanksgiving service at the St. Mary's Avenue

CROUP

le dangerous, but there is timely warning. The danger signal is hourseness A day or two before the attack the child becomes hourse. then a rough cough appears. The following night the child has

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Congregational church. Rev. C. S. Sargent, the pastor: Rev. Clyde Clay Cissell of the Hanseom Park Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Winthrop Allison of Westminster Presbyterian church and Rev. L. M. Kuhns of Grace Lutheran church participated in the service. It was unusually well attended. Rev. Cissell, who delivered the

sermon, said in part:

"It is easy for every individual to catalogue reasons for being thankful today-for health, for strength, for happiness, for prosperity in ousiness affairs. But it is not of those things that I wish to speak, but rather of the things that ought to make us thankful as a people, as a nation. "Every race and every civilization is built around a distinctive idea and devel- all nations. We are a Christian nation oped along certain lines. With the ancient

Egyptians it was sanctity of human life, with the Hebrews the purity of religious life, with the Greeks upon beauty in all things, and with the Romans it was the majesty of the law. The American life and the 76,500,000 of our population, 72,000,000 the American civilization were built around "The Greek and Roman republics and the

free cities of Italy had a measure of liberty, but not such a liberty as we possess many of them are centers of revivals of today. It was rather the freedom of the classes, not of the people. It was a freedom bought by treasure or by personal heroism. The American independence, the American liberty was a new birth and a new thought. Our forefathers came here that they might be free to worship God after the dictates of their own conscience and where they might build homes after When they wrote the Declaration of Independence they were laughed at by royalty and its retainers. They went to war against great odds, but our God was with them and they came off as victors and laid the foundations of this great nation

Unfolding of Liberty.

"The first contest of the revolutionary

and equal. But when our fathers fought determines the history and future of a for that independence not all men were free for there were thousands of slaves in this country. When the Declaration of Independence was written and the constitution framed the black man was still in bondage And so your fathers and mine responded once more to the bugle call and went to the battlefield, not to fight for their own liberty, but to strike off the chains from the

black man. "And how this great idea of liberty un folded in our late war. How the brave sons and grandsons of those who were opposed in the great civil conflict fought side by side in the war for humanity. It was waged not for territory, not for material gain, but that liberty might become oppressed. The lust of territory and of gold lies at the bottom of nearly every war and so when the nations of the world

"It is not many days ago that we saw The Suez canal or a tunnel of vipers, the anarchists from all parts of on the founding of the lodge was read by proved by the city engineer. the world, whose object is strike down from W. W. Keysor, past grand master of the its place of majesty all government among Nebraska jurisdiction. all people. Are we, as a people, oblivious The paper went back to St. John's day—
to the fact that this freedom, this liberty June 24—1717, which is fixed as the date of of ours, has momentous problems which the beginning of speculative Masonry, the tion for a viaduct, with assurance that must be solved? Behold the swarms of lodges existing previous to that time deignorant humanity coming to us from the voting their time to the work of operative south of Europe, 80,000 from southern Italy masoury in the construction of buildings. the Black sea with ships and run trains to alone in the past year. They are settling According to writers of that day Masonry

"While today we have great reason to think God for the unfolding of this great idea of liberty, we must not forget the problems which it has brought. God everywhere has laid by the side of the paths we travel problems which His people must

AT KOUNTER MEMORIAL LUTHERAN. Four Congregations Unite in Services

at the Down Town Church.

Services at Kountze Memorial church yesterday united the congregations of the First Presbyterian church, the First Christian church, the First Congregational church and the church in which the services

The pastors of all four churches took part in the services, prayers being offered by Rev. E. H. Jenks and Rev. E. F. Trefz. women who drift to us from all parts of Rev. H. C. Herring read the scripture lesson and the sermon was preached by Rev. Sumner T. Martin. Mr. Martin's theme was "God's Hand in American History," his text being Psalms viii, 8-11. The speaker reviewed the history of the country from the landing of the first vessel on American shores, tracing the hand of God in the efforts of Columbus to secure the means of making the voyage, which, according to the discoverer, had for one of its purposes the dissemination of the doctrine of Christ; ip the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers, whose exodus from Europe was distinctly on religious grounds and who sought on these hores an asylum where they might in peace worship the Lord in the manner which seemed to them right. From these Massachusetts colonies grew other colonies, the hand of God appearing in their growth as nen of liberal ideas were driven from the riginal colony to carry the word of God to the forests and to set up shrines and

temples of worship in the wilderness. The men who laid the foundations of the epublic were Christian men, who based the overnment upon Christian principles, and hese principles underlie every fabric of espected American life.

Music at the service was furnished by the regular choir of Kountze church, the solo

eing sung by Delmore Cheyney.

UNION SERVICES AT PLYMOUTH. Rev. D. K. Tyndall Addresses a Larg

Assemblage There. Trinity Methodist. Immanuel Baptist, Knox Presbyterian and Plymouth Congregational churches united in services at the Plymouth Congregational church yesterday. The pastors were all present to assist in the services. Song and prayer and responsive readings preceded the sermon which was by Rev. D. K. Tindall of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal church. In his

remarks Dr. Tindall said: 'We should cultivate the spirit and habit of thanksgiving to God. Of all the reatures of earth only man is capable of returning thanks to the Creator. The earth drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, but gives no thanks. The flowers are indebted to the sunlight for their exquisite beauty, but they can express no gratitude. Instinct is not able to give thanks. The swine returns no thanks to he tree which drops the acorn, nor does the horse give praise to the fodder in the manger or the grass in the field. But as the child may reflect the kindness of its father in its acts of gratitude, so may the child of grace show forth the love of God in grateful words and ways. We thank our riends for the smallest favor bestowed. now much more we should show gratitude o God for His abounding grace. In Europe and the Orient the expression of

hanksgiving is heard on every hand. They

are trained and habituated to it. I heard

man converted to God late in life who at VIADUCT FORMALLY OPENED Forgetting one day to return thanks at the beginning of the meal, he stopped eating and said. 'Lord, I liked to forgot You.' Said a happy old Christian woman as she kneeled to quench her thirst from a cool, sweet brook. This and Jesus are too much.

"Our nation has much to be thankful for It is the best country on the globe. It has the fertility of Egypt, the beauty of Italy the brightness of Greece, the healthfulness of the sea and nearly all the variety of climate of the world. In this it is like Palestine, it is a world in itself. A land of freedom, thrift and protection, it has become the asylum for the oppressed of We are not a nation of infidels, as the Turks, nor atheists, as the Chinese, nor pantheists, as the people of India, nor yet mythological and polytheistic, as ancient Greece and Rome. We are Christians. Of are Christian adherents. The cosmopolitan Joseph Cook said we are the most Christian nation of earth. Once infidelity flourished in most of our great universities, now religion. Still, there are some among us who do not seem to know what the word | celebration from early morning. Christian signifies. I once asked a man in Omaha if he was a Christian. He re-'No, I am a Bohemian.

"Let us thank God for plenty. The crop in our state this year was short, but sufficient for all our needs. The same is true of our country at large. We have plenty and to spare. We have no starving millions and few in real want. There is generally plenty work, good wages and happy homes. But, while we are feasting in our homes today on the fat of the land, let us be sure that our neighbor is neither hungry

MORNING MASSES WELL ATTENDED.

fathers was a struggle for the everlasting Services at the Catholic Churches

Draw Out Devont Worshipers. Thanksgiving services were held at the arious Catholic churches yesterday in harmony with the request of the president of the United States. At St. Philomena's cathedral the services were in charge of the pastor, Father P. A. McGovern. At the Sacred Heart church two masses

were said, one at 7:30 and the other at 9 o'clock. At the second mass a sermon was preached by the pastor. Father P. J. Judge. At St. Cecilia's church mass was said by Father Harrington, the pastor, at 9 o'clock. At the churches of St. Peter, St. Patrick and the Holy Family the usual masses were

St. John's Lodge Listens to a Short

Program Prior to a Social Dinner.

The annual Thanksgiving celebration of filled with the members and their guests when at 7:30 o'clock the program opened The general theme of the evening was speech and of press. It came from that nest "The Grand Lodge of England," and a paper

> but four subordinate lodges and a decrepit England, which later united with another form the mother grand lodge of the world. grand masters, who did much to advance the cause of speculative Masonry.

> This paper was followed by a solo, "My by Miss Louise Kellogg, after which followed an address, "The English Grand Lodge of Today and Its Branches." by George W. Lininger, past grand master. Mr. Lininger spoke without notes, his remarks covering many phases of the subject. The speaker found that in England less time is devoted by Masons to matters of legislation, while more time is spent upon charities. The proceedings of one grand lodge session was shown, in which the general eport occupied about sixteen quarto pages, while in this country 160 pages are not remarkable. This, the speaker said, is because English Masonry holds in high esteem the ancient landmarks of masonry, while in this country the desire for innovation causes laws to be passed which must later

> be repealed. Miscellaneous meetings of a Masonic character are unheard of in England and vomen never enter the lodgeroom. English Masons maintain four charitable instituions, supported by the united grand lodge. The late queen was a patron of these charties and since her death the grand lodge has appropriated 300 guineas to be used in recting a monument to her memory.

> The king of England was the grand maser of the English lodge until his accession o the throne, when he was succeeded by his brother. The real presiding officer is the pro grand master, but the management of the society is in the hands of a general purpose committee, which decides quesions which in this country are submitted o the grand master.

> Following the address of Mr. Lininger here was music by the orchestra. Merwin Maynard read "My Mother Lodge," by Kipling, and Jo F. Barton sang "The Holy

UNION SERVICES ARE HELD Many Nebraska Churches Unite in Their Thanksgiving Celebratton.

ASHLAND, Neb., Nov. 28 .- (Special.)-Union Thanksgiving services were held this morning at the Congregational church in Ashland. Rev. William F. Smith, pastor o the Immanuel Baptist church, delivered the principal address, ministers of all denominations uniting in the services. Business houses were closed from 10:30 to 12 o'clock during the meeting.

WEST POINT, Neb., Nov. 28 .- (Special.) The Thanksgiving season was properly observed in this place. Services were held at all the churches and a general holiday observed by the citizens, LEIGH, Neb., Nov. 28 .- (Special.) -- Union Thanksgiving services were held at the

Congregational church this morning. Rev. Mr. Fowler delivered the address.

Jobbers' Injunction Dissolved. SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Nov. 28 .- (Special.) By stipulation filed in the United States court here, the temporary injunction secured by the Sioux Falls Jobbers' association restraining the Omaha and Northwestern railroads from taking out the terminal rates at this city and leaving them in at Sioux City, has been dissolved without prejudice and without costs.

George A. Points, Upper Sandusky, O., writes: "I have been using Poley's Honey and Tar for hoarseness and find it the best of a man who had so accustomed himself remedy I ever tried. It stopped the cough to thank God that he awoke every morning immediately and relieved all soreness." with 'praise God' upon his lips. I knew a Take none but Foley's,

Twenty-Fourth Street Structure Becomes Long-Desired Reality.

OMAHA NOTABLES SHOUT FELICITATIONS

take Southwest Improvement Club Hear Their Encouraging Words Despite the Blustering of an Inconsiderate Wind.

A crowd, estimated at 800 to 1,600 people was present at the ceremonies attending the formal opening of the Twenty-fourth street viaduct Thursday afternoon.

The celebration began at the corner of Twenty-fourth and Leavenworth streets. where the room of the Southwest Improve ment club is located. Leavenworth street for several blocks was decorated with flags and bunting and the committees of the club were busily engaged in preparing for the

At 2:30 o'clock Brandt's Musical Union band marched to the corner of Twentyfourth and Levenworth streets and for hall an hour played various inspiring airs. in the meantime the south end of the viaduct was filling up with the carriages of people who drove down early to get good positions to hear the addresses

Notables Proceed to Vinduct.

At 3 o'clock the procession formed on Leavenworth street and, headed by the band, marched to the viaduct. In the procession were: Mayor Moores, W. J. Connell, city attorney; Andrew Rosewater, city engineer; members of the Real Estate exchange, members of the Prospect Hill and North Omaha Improvement clubs, with nearly a full attendance of the Southwest Improvement club.

Arriving at the viaduct W. H. Green, president of the Southwest Improvement lub, called the assembly to order, briefly told of the reason for the gathering and introduced Mayor Moores. The wind was strong on the viaduct and all of the speakers were troubled by this, the remarks o the mayor being beard but a short distance from the platform, which had been built ipon a wagon and hauled to the center of the new roadway.

Connell Recites Vinduct History.

The mayor said that he congratulated the mprovement clubs, the city and the residents of South Omaha upon the completion MASONS HOLD BRIEF FESTIVAL of the viaduct, which opens to travel the natural means of communication between the two cities. He said that he hoped to see the day when, through the efforts of the improvement clubs of the city, Twentyfourth street will be opened from Ames avenue to South Omaha and a line of street ing in closer bonds the cities of Omaha and South Omaha, which, while under separate municipal governments, are one in their purpose and development. He said that the completion of the viaduct at this time was due to the persistent work of the members of the Southwest Improvement club who gave no rest to city or railroad officials until the work had been accomplished upon the lines advocated by the club and ap-

He advised the members of the club to continue their organization and to pursue in all matters affecting their welfare the

City Attorney Connell Speaks.

City Attorney Connell was next introduced. He briefly traced the history of Omaha viaducts grand master in the country-or, at least, in administration of Mayor Boyd, the attention London. These four subordinate lodges of Charles Francis Adams, then presiden united to form the Premier grand lodge of of the Union Pacific, had been called to the subject. He told of the completion of grand lodge claiming equal jurisdiction to the Eleventh street viaduct under a law by which the city pald two-fifths of the Judge Keysor paid high tribute to the early expense and the railroads the balance, and then recited the enactment of the law under which the Twenty-fourth street viaduct was built wholly at the expense of the railroads.

He said that the completion of the roadway on its present lines was due to the unyielding demands of the club and advised the members to continue the good work for the advancement of the interests of the southwestern part of the city, knowing that what is of benefit to one section will be of benefit to the entire community.

Engineer Rosewater Gives Credit.

Andrew Rosewater, city engineer, was then introduced, but declined to make a speech, saying that the work of his department, as evidenced in the structures de signed by it, should speak for the department and its officers. He told, however, of the difficulty in getting railroad officials to concede the demands of the city engineer's office usually, and added: "The present administration of the Union Pacific railroad is a fortunate one for Omaha, as it has adhered to every proposition agreed upon."

Councilmen Speak Briefly.

Councilmen Hascall, Mount and Lebeck then spoke briefly upon the advantage to be derived from the viaduct and related their experience in advancing the work. H. T. Clark told a story of old Omaha, of the hopes and fears of the early settlers and their final triumph in the face of diffi-

E. F. Morearty made a five-minute talk on the subject of "Twenty-fourth Street," in which, on behalf of the Southwest Improvement club, he thanked those present for their attendance.

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RAILWAY MEN GIVE DANCES I'wo Large Affairs Tax Capacity of Halls and Never a Trolley

One of the largest crowds ever in Washngton hall attended the ball given by the Omaha Street Railway Trainmen's Relief issociation last night. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lennox acted as motormen for the grand march and so well was the train handled that not a couple flew the trolley. The committee of arrangements was composed of C. Jacobson, W. C. Blake, B. Schlitz, P. Cullen and J. J. Lennox, and the arrangements couldn't have been improved upon Every one in attendance had an enjoyable time. During the evening refreshments were served.

The eighth annual ball of the Omaha Street railway employes was given last night at Creighton hall. An immense crowd was in attendance, taxing the large hall to its utmost capacity. The grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cunningham and from start to finish the ball was a success. No detail had been overlooked by the arrangement committee and the consequence was a most enjoyable affair. Dancing continued until 2 o'clock. Charles Cunningham was master of ceremonies; floor manager, Edward Hatcher; floor committee. Bert Mead, C. L. Lemly and Bert Chambers; reception committee, W. H. Elbourn Thomas Dowd, C. W. Jones and H. S. Hollenbrook; committee of arrangements, John Goodrich and A. Adelson.

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