

We Should be Especially Thankful this Season

Six of the leading ministers of Nebraska were asked to give a short article on "Why We Should Be Especially Thankful This Year." Their responses are:

REV. H. B. HARRISON.

REV. W. H. BUSS.

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Rev. H. B. Harrison

E laden fields their harvests pour, Abundance such that every man has store. Contented herds in postures wide, Abound with wealth that shall

abide The mines give forth their treasure rare, Enriching men who haste to do and dare. The cities teem with life and thrill. A: monuments of man's imperious will.

The wireless air awaits to serve, Awakened brain and heart and nerve. Among all flags from east to west, Our Stars and Stripes a righteous cause

served best. eproof has matched the tyrani's greed, nd outraged manhood dares her cause to plead.

ust bread and things have had their day, and souls still hungry now are led to pray. The heart of weary man finds resi. And-Christ exalting-falls to meet no test.

creeds of men in love and service And, Mead of dogma, righteousness de-

tands, The world is young and hearts grow light, pleads for life and love to fill all And man is pressing onward to the light. saner, freer, simpler, truer gospel stands,

of all the years our nineteen six is best, Tirran B. Kerricon

In life and worship, echoing songs of Neb.

Rev. William H. Buss

UR heredity, history, education and 0 present estato should make us pre-eminently a God-fearing and a grateful people. Thanksgiving day is one of our most noble legacies from the past. In days colonial, revolutionary and fraticidal, as well as in lines of great prosperity, our fathers soked to God in hope and prayer and hanksgiving; and the result was their elevation to great moral heights. "The lesson of history is that "except the Lord build," this nation. "they labor in vain that build it." And we cannot be too thankful that Jehovah has built with us, and will con-

tinue to do so, if we are worthy sons of our sires. Special reasons for thanksgiving in this ear of grace include the following: The ingathering of an extraordinary harvest; the possession of a president whom the world delights to honor, and who is worthy of such distinction; the awakening of the public conscience, its seathing protest against graft and corruption and the resulting exorcism of the foul spirit of gespel's dominance our brightest national

greed now stendily going on; the rising of hopes are a deluding dream. The office of ject is, rather than what their party suys the people in every quarter to dethrone the Thanksgiving day as an uplitting influence cienceless political boss; the rebuke cannot be overestimated. It reaches all den the heart of the husbandman, and for of traitorous combinations of capital and departments of society, opens and softens health of our people we should be truly the growing recognition of the just rights the hearts of men everywhere, casts a grateful. Thanks should be given for the of labor; the expose of the scandal of child gleam of sunshine over the world and increasing number of young people who labor: the growing disparagement in influ- rightly conserved brightens the promise of are coming forth from our schools with sick, rather than making large contribuential circles of destructive Biblical criti- our future giory. It should do much toward trained hearts and minds to bless the land tions to the erection of marble shafts mark- Stripes should feel thankful. ism and the certain coming back to the the realization of that for which our Whit- which has given them such opportunities. ing their last resting places. In short, And how bountiful everywhere has been throne of the essentials of the faith of our tier plead in his Centennial hymn:

Rev. A. S. Clarke

GIVE thanks unto the Lord." A grateful heart finds number-0 less occasions for thankfulness. In scripture the "unthankful" are classed with "unholy." God has crowned the year with His goodness and all His paths have dropped fatness. Comparison is the only correct method of reaching a judgment. Let Americans of the twentieth century put the conditions of their lives alongside those of other peoples or times and the sense of well-being must fill them with gratitude. Much might be said about this. A preacher appreciates every indication of the divine favor. He can echo the words of the Latin poet, "I am a man; and I think there is nothing allen to But the special cause for gratitude is the wave of rightebusness that is aweeping over our land. There is no doubt that we are in the midst of a mighty revival of national and civic righteousness. There is a holy discontent with shams and injustices in personal and corporate life abroad. Popular magazines and writers are the icone clasts that are smashing the idols of selfisi .ness. These men and women are the prophets and prophetesses of the Most High God, who are showing unto us a way of salvation from national peril. And it is cause for gratitude that God has not left Himself without witness in the hearts of men, as is seen in the response given by the

musses of the people It is a ground of special thansgiving that ur own city is experiencing a wonderful revival of religion. Hundreds of men and women are being turned from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto Of all earth's peoples, we have cause to First Congregational Church, Hastings, God. The most hopeful sign is the unanimity with which the pastors of this city got together in this wonderful mission They were all of one heart and one soul, Men are getting right with God, and consequently with each other. We are not of those who believe that, provided only con-ditions are altered, character will be changed, but of those who know that, when Pastor Lowe Avenue Presbaterian Church.

Rev. U. G. Brown

IY should we be thankful? W That we have much to be thankful for all will agree, but as to 19.65 what we should be most thankful for there may be difference of opinion. We should be most thankful that we belong to a nation that calls its millions to count their blessings and render thanks and praise to God for the same, and that as a nation we are at peace with other nations of the world. We should be thankful that while the people have been sighing for relief from graft and greed the dawn of a new day is come; that in many instances justice has been meted out to the lawbreakers whose god is gold. We should be thankful that the people of our land

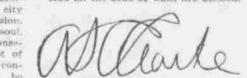
are becoming broader minded and are asking what the truth regarding a subabout it. For a bountiful harvest to glad-



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once .character has been changed, conditions of life will be altered. The mightlest ideal that can influence men is the Christ. In Him we see loyalty to God and devotion to the best interests of His fellow-men. We thank God that the leaven of His gospel is spreading, and, though it may seen slowly, yet the kingdoms of this world are surely becoming the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns; The prisoner leaps to lose his chains; The weary find eternal rest, And all the sons of want are blessed.



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Thanks should be given for the forward we should be thankful that we have less our harvest. From 'orchard, field and

Rev. John F. Tuttle, D. D.

NO year have we as a nation had so much for which to give thanks as in this now closing. If to the unparalleled rewards of toil in shop, farm and office be added our freedom from national calamities and the general increase of physical comforts, the total is a volume of material blessing sufficient to inspire the thankieps with gratitude and kindle our altars with univorsal praise

But because the soul of a people is more important than their soil and character is worth more than corn, the deeper reasons for thankfulness are in the marked advance popular sentiment concerning fundamental principles of American government and life.

In politics the year has been signalized by the relaxing of the hold of party ties and the tightening of the grip of enlightened patriotism. The Boss is passing; that Machine failing to pieces. Partisun politics Is at a discount: independent action at a premium. The average man has been awekening to the royal dignity and individual

responsibility of the American citizen, by universal popular condemnation of bad icy and criminality such folly in politics.

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quickening of public conscience, indicated Nebraska National Guard.

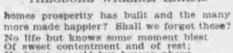
Rev. T. W. Kahse

GAIN we have reached a milestone in the history of the American people when it is not only a timehonored custom, but a sacred privilege as well to render gratitude unto God for His manifold blessings. To such a task our beloved president's proclamation summons \$8,000,000 of people.

If ever the citizens of America had reasons for gratitude it is today, when, at home and abroad, our country is at peacet when our public servants are striving for the highest welfare of its people; when greed is held in restraint; when the courts of our land do not flinch to measure out justice to the man of high standing as well as to the man of humble station. The faithfulness of our men of public trust was never more evident than in the past. Such measures as the rate regulation bill. the meat inspection bill, the efforts of the government to restore to the people that which has wrongly been taken, the enforcement of Sunday observance, all testify of our government's deep interest in the best welfare of its people-surely there are good

reasons why every lover of the Stars and

THEODORE WILLIAM KAHSE.



CHAPLAIN TUTTLE.

There has never been a time in our history morals in men in high place and the genwhen conscientiousness was such good pol- erally new recognition of common virtues as the basis of individual worth and the Toward the adjustment of vital social ground of a man's right to the respect of questions long steps have been taken, his fellows and the suffrages of the people. Giant corporations, imperiling the fair This outstanding fact of moral growth. chance and success of the individual, have tersely voiced by the Wall Street Journal, felt the power of outraged justice; the is the greatest of the reasons for thanksright of the people to pure food has been giving with which the year is filled. There vindicated; a fairer wage has been secured is now going on a searching of records, a for the man who does the world's necessary scrutiny into careers, which is gradually work; the responsibility of the rich to so- shelving the man who cannot be successful ciety for the way he makes and spends his in business without being a criminal. The money has been demonstrated; the relations type must go, either by self-elimination, by of employer and employe placed on a more force of judicial procedure or by dint of JOHN F. TUTTLE, D. D.

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