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# Each day is a day of thanks

Thanksgiving Day is the second celebration of the Lord for each year. As a witch, I observe the Aza 1 Harvest Sabbath, which is an annual festival of thanks. Witches are quite realistic in their approach to giving thanks for the bounties bestowed upon them. They are indeed grateful, but at this festival they also give themselves an opportunity to brag a little—they put themselves on the back for what they have done with the gifts so freely given them.

The plumes thanked God that they had a good harvest. And they could not have had that harvest without the help of a force much greater than their own. (In the other hand, they served that feast with pride and gratitude. For, without the

efforts they put forth, there would have been no harvest.

God and mankind must work together to be productive. In any field. Each person must be the talents given to him to the best possible advantage. (Read Matthew 25:14-30)

The following verses from an old witch song put it this way:

Up with the ladder  
and down with the fruits  
In with the shovels  
and out with the roots

The gods may provide us  
with life from the land  
But the harvest we hold  
is the work of our hands



for what they are worth  
Each of them doing  
what has to be done  
In order to live  
altogether as ONE.

Thanksgiving is a day set aside for us to commemorate our bounties. But in truth each day is such a day of Thanksgiving. Each day offers us new opportunities. There is always each day and in each person we meet.

To ensure the the fullest, we should give thanks every morning that we wake up with a new day ahead of us, when to use the talents we have been given. And we should appreciate the things about us that appear to be so common.

With his Christmas and others alike, I wish to thank you in the ending of the Witch Watch column.

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## Michigan Mirror Will bottle ban help or hurt jobs?

By WARREN M. HOYT

With the bottle ban battle over, Michigan voters will move gradually to the polls in the first large electoral state in the country to ban the sale of hard liquor.

And in the quarters, the parties of this period will be the matter of the ban. It is a battle that will be fought in the state's 100 legislative districts.

Before the vote, opponents of the ban warned about prospective loss of jobs and a U.S. Department of Commerce estimate that only made with the ban, retail sales would fall from \$2.5 billion to \$1.5 billion, a 40 percent drop.

Some backers of the ban, on the other hand, point to a 1964 survey by the Public Interest Research Group in Michigan (PIRGEM). The survey found that for taxable businesses, that PIRGEM did not drink and displacement would be an additional loss than on beer, because a larger proportion of its drinks are alcohol.

The survey suggested that tax factors would be the effect on jobs. A 1964 survey had been conducted.

More than half percent of Michigan beer production is sold in other states or at trade shows and Michigan's beer industry is a major source of revenue for the state.

The state's brewers will have to hire additional employees to handle return business—this increasing employment.

The stated implementation date for the bottle ban is still two years away. In Nov. 1, 1978.

Only when the date draws closer will Michigan really know the job effect.

But on the positive side is the word from former Gov. Tim McCall of Oregon, a state which enacted a statewide ban in 1972.

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