

MERIT WILL COUNT

Postmaster's Plan Offsets Penalty System.

WAY OPENED TO AMBITIOUS

Rewards Would Be Earnable by Those Who Have Been Set Back, and Service Improved, Young Believes.

Plans for rewarding merit in Postoffice employes, thus offsetting the present system of demerits only, have been prepared carefully by Postmaster Young, who will forward them to Washington and ask for authority to adopt them.

Postmaster Young has worked out his plan with the aid of the oldest and most experienced men in the local office, and it is his conviction that it will result in better work, on the part of the men under his direction, and thus be a saving for the government by averting the necessity for employing extra men for extra work.

In his letter to the Postoffice Department Mr. Young asks for permission to trial the plan in the local office, and to make any such improvements later as may be suggested during the trial.

Penalties Only Now Used.

Various postmasters of first-class offices have tried to find a way to give an improvement on that already in operation, but none of those submitted has proved satisfactory thus far.

The present system of enforcing discipline in the postoffice is based upon demerits placed against employes by those in authority over them.

In addition to being credited for good work in periodic tests, the postoffice employes under the plan prepared by Mr. Young, will be credited for good department and work performed in addition to the regular eight-hour task.

The new plan provides for tests and other methods for credits which the superintendent will not have the power to regulate.

The method of determining the efficiency of each man will consist of grading his work on a standard of 100, the best man in each department being used as the standard of perfection.

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Committee of Railway Order Clears Up Year's Work.

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The able researches of Dr. Stenhouse, published about the middle of the last century, excited considerable interest in charcoal and its wonderful absorbing powers.

Both Stenhouse and Hunter experimented with charcoal, cabinet shells, willow wood, and various other woods, and they found that charcoal made from willow wood possessed by far the most powerful of absorbing, deodorizing, oxidizing and destroying qualities.

Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges are composed of charcoal made from the finest willow wood, the very best of all woods that can be used for this purpose.

When they are taken into the stomach they do not in the least injure it, but get busy at once in the good work of absorbing and oxidizing all foul gases, destroying disease germs, preventing the further formation of gases, stopping fermentation, flatulence and decomposing of food, and cleansing the stomach walls of catarrhal mucus.

Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges are introduced into the system by being allowed to dissolve slowly in the mouth, where their cleansing action begins, rendering the breath pure and sweet, destroying any germs existing in the mouth, and removing tartar from the teeth.

Call your druggist over the phone, and ask him his opinion of the power of charcoal as a stomach cleanser, gas absorber and breath purifier; then request him to send you a box of Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges for 25 cents.

Members of a committee, representing East Side Push Clubs and advocating the immediate construction of the Broadway bridge, yesterday called on J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines.

Mr. O'Brien flatly informed the members of the committee that the representatives of the Harriman roads had not and were not doing anything to obstruct the improvement.

Mr. O'Brien further informed the members of the committee that the railroad company saw no reason why it should strictly neutral attitude as to the pending litigation concerning the bridge.

The first meeting of the Portland Chapter of the Euterpean Society, a new musical-literary-artistic organization, last started, taken place Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at the White Temple.

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Washington High School Notes.

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Governor Chamberlain has sent three new books to the physical geography laboratory. "The Interpretation of Topographic Maps," the annual report

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ASTORIA, Ore., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—Congressman Ellis, who is on his way to Astoria and after being entertained at luncheon by the officers of the Chamber of Commerce was taken on the

DEBATING TEAM CHOSEN.

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., Nov. 20.—(Special.)—The "try-out" debate of the Cottage Grove High School was held here last night. The winners were Gladys Farley, Myrtle Kern, Annard Sattelle, Ben King, Maude Hooper and Myrtle DeSpain. Miss Gladys Farley received 98 per cent, which entitles her to the team leadership. A reception was given at the residence of Superintendent E. K. Barnes in honor of the contestants.

RIVER AT EUGENE IS 9.6.

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 20.—The river at Eugene registered 9.6 feet this morning at 8 o'clock, and is rising steadily. It is expected to reach a little higher than 10 feet today, after which it will probably begin to fall, as the rain has ceased and the weather is colder.

RAIN COATS

A Thanksgiving Feast of Bargains—Prices Shot to Pieces

A Reduction on Factory Cost---Can You Realize the Tremendous Saving?

350 Ladies' Rubberized Slip-on Coats adapted for pleasant or stormy weather, all val. up to \$15. Till Wed. night...

About 100 Children's Rubber Storm Cape Coats, with storm hoods, slightly defective, quantity limited...

Call and look these over, even if you don't buy. We'll convince the most skeptical. These lots can't last long.

\$15 to \$18 Ladies' Silk Rubberized Mohair Bengalines and Silk Gables for \$9.60 only

\$20 to \$25 Ladies' Silk Waterproofs in endless variety and color harmonies at \$12.60

\$10 Ladies' Pure Para-Rubber Auto Skirts, quantity limited, \$5.90

\$25 to \$35 Ladies' Beautiful Silk Waterproofs and Tailored All-Wool and Worsted Coats, in imported and domestic fabrics, \$13.60

\$15.60 and \$15.60

Ladies' Silk Rubberized Opera Capes, Opera Values to \$25—\$15.60

Men don't overlook the one best chance to buy your Rainproof Overcoat. Come and look. These lots can't be beat.

\$15 to \$18 Men's Rainproof Overcoats, silk Venetian lined, full 52 inches long, at \$9.60

\$20 to \$25 men's very best Rainproof Overcoats, with or without military collar. In all the new fabrics of the season, including a number of black vicunas at \$13.60 and \$10.60

\$35 to \$40 Men's Genuine Priestley and Kenyon Rainproof Overcoats, with or without military collar, \$14.60

\$8 and \$10 Boys' Rainproof Overcoats, silk Venetian lined, at \$4.70

New English Raincoats, the Lord of all sheep suits for men and women, imported and domestic fabrics, at \$15.60 and \$13.20

200 Men's Storm Rubber Coats, heavy drill back, val. up to \$7.00. Till Wednesday night only at \$3.85

460 Men's and Youths' All-Worsted Rainproof Overcoats—a rare opportunity—values up to \$6.60

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