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at the deserted warehouse on the equally deserted waterfront side street. Well gave a vicious push at the innocent looking brace bolt which was in reality the "open se same" of the secret grating cover ed passageway into the rendez

An instant later Nell was facing

Dan Murtagh in the main chamber

Dan had one pistol belted around his middle, another handy on the table whereon he was counting and sorting his share of the accumulated loot. He pretended not to notice the intense concentration in Neil's eyes, but addressed Bottle-neck:

for it. I want to be off—and it's my advice to you to do the same—"
Bottleneck did not answer. He was fingering his own pistol thoughtfully. But Neil snapped: "You never told me nothing about this here getaway. Where do I come in?"

"Turning traitor, Bottleneck?"

ASHLAND DAILY TIDINGS OUT OUR WAY

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The New Committee

With the announcement of the committees last night by Mayor Charles Pierce, came the naming of a new committee. One which will have to do with civic affairs, industries and activities of a similar nature. This committee presents possibilities that are without number and will undoubtedly become one of the most important and outstanding ones in the entire organization.

It has often been a mystery to us, just why any city council should not recognize the fact that their duty should be extended to include this phase of a cities life. Assuming that the affairs of a city are similar to that of the ordinary business institution, then such work as is being inaugerated by the present administration should be an integral part of their duty, for no business institution if they are progressive and have the welfare of the city at heart, overlooks the fact that a certain amount of time and money must be spent in assisting in civic affairs that cannot be placed in the regular category of business.

There is hardly a day goes by but what a call is not made upon the city to perform some task, that is outside of the regular routine of city affairs. The old administration, although they had no committee ap pointed especially for this job, managed to do some excellent work along this line. And with he new members of the council and the mayor, apreciating suffeciently the importance of this ork to appoint a commtitee to take care of it, we are of the opinion that the city council is not only performing a most important duty, but are placing themselves in a position where they will be able to function for the best interests of everyone concern-

Thrift and Crime

Causes of crime which are being studied in all parts of the country will bring forth a multiplicity of theories, some sound and some illogical and fan-

There will be no rightful disputing of the fact, however, that lack of thrift is at the bottom of much current crime. A young man lives beyond his means. He feels the pressure for more money. He takes a little. Then more and more and finally, in order to make a big haul, he turns to banditry. Police records and court testimony in thousands of cases within the last few years will bear out the truth of those statements.

One of the outstanding facts of current lifea fact which the police magistrates of any of our great cities will verify—that instead of cultivating sensible practices and living sane and moral lives, many of our boys and young men are allowing themselves, step by step, to get into ways that require more money than they are earning and, due to these fast habits, are dissipating their ambitions and rotting their moral fibre.

There is nothing more stabilizing than consistent thrift. Those who practice it not only have the advantage that comes with the conservation of their material resources, their health and their energies, but they have also the advantage of sane judgment and normal viewpoints upon the problems and responsibilities of life.

In our efforts to stem the tide of crime, which in many places has reached such a condition that special communities of investigation have been appointed, a great amount of constructive good could be accomplished through the encouragement of thrift.

There is an inter-relationship between sound economics and sound morals. Moral betterment must depend always on thrift as an essential of its pro-

A Spanish burglar has broken all imprisonment records in benig sentenced to serve 500 years. But maybe a kindly government will knock off the last 300 years.

The French have raised a warship sunk 234 year ago, Funny someone at Geneva hasn't raised a howl about the addition to the French naval forces.

The Arkansas Gazette is happy that the automobile has no tail to get over the reins and cause a runaway.

A newark girl drove a burglar away by kicking him on the shins. The Charleston teaches them something worth while after all.

"Italy Plans a National Theatre"-Headline, We. only need one guess as to who will occupy the center of the stage.





Isn't It Odd?

der that John Willis, a laboring man, may work during the week to support a family of six, Judge Thornton W. Sargent has permitted him to serve a week of Sundays in the county jail for violating a liquor law.

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal. -The Hon. Will Rogers is all set for that first class murder by a beautiful woman which he said in his inaugural address the city needed. He has asked Bebe Daniels to run out some evening and do him the very great favor of shooting somebody.

SHARON, Pa.,-The opinion of James P. Roscoe, who once was mayor of Dubois, a man is not old enough to appreciate a wife until he is 70 or thereabout. - Mr. Roscoe, 75, has just married Miss Rhode Bucklin. 59, after a renewal of a childhood friendship.

NEWARK, N. J.,-Uncle Sam's navy is no reform school, Commander Waiter B. Decker, who is in charge of recruiting here, has so informed a judge who ordered that a youth enlist in the havy or be jailed for six



Hide your weak points if you want to be called "smart."

Praise is wasted on folks who are eternally looking for it.

All there is to happiness not wanting more than you've

More good judgment is needed n changing an opinion than in orming one.

If you know when to say "No," you will have no trouble deciding when to say "Yes."

The safest time to display courige is when the height, reach and chest measurements are in your favor.

Hez Heck says: "When a man in and interferes with him."

What Others Say

in the hospital with a serious injury to his spine, is in pathetic contrast to a paltry fine and imprisonment for driving a car while drunk. It is tragedy of this sort that makes prohibition almost necessary and which gains warrant for over-strict regulations. Some men are naturally imbeciles under the influence of liquor, and the pity is they cannot be caught and confined before any dam-

The solemn warning of the state automobile license department that all motorists operating after January 1 without new car licenses would be doing so in violation of law, had just about the effect that everybody expected, which was precisely no effect at all. Everybody knew the law would not be enforced, so why hurry? In the parked fleets of automobiles around the Eugene churches Sunday morning, the proportion of new automobile licenses to old was about one to thirty.—Eugene Guard.

A durable fabric made, from fibres of pineapple leaves is now wants to be poor, nobody steps being manufactured in the Philippines.

share of the snag, and you and me'll go to Canada and live high. I can make a swell livin' up there can make a swell might have known. It had been the same at the beginning between him—and her, and after swhlle it had become to late for her to be anything but what she was a clear light burn in Neil's mind—a clean, womanly resolution. She must not let Murtagh's had made her, suddenly made a clear light burn in Neil's mind—a clean, womanly resolution. She must not let Murtagh's do to this unspoiled girl what he had done to the proposition. She must not let Murtagh's fickle affections, but

C., and Charles R. Cooley and at the Lithia Springs Hotel,

wife of Grants Pass, Ore., are

Her eyes seared Murtagh. (To be continued)



when addressing Nell; his crude

wolding his wistful eyes if eyes scribed as wastral:

Bottleneck laughed "You'll have a long wait then, Nell. He's with the Allen girl Nell went rigid. She slapped her

of the gang headquarters.
Bottleneck stood silently behind her, Mpriagh was alone. The last of his henchmen and toadies had been paid off and had scattered their respective underworld ways to avoid the gathering storm of the police ast. hands on the table ven Bottleneck, seating himself oppor site her, leaned across and impris oned the tense hands and said easily:

always known Dan's a doublecrosser. Why, he's planning to



like this on me." Angrily flounced towards the closet

Dan moved to intercept her, Bottleneck covered him with make his getaway, and he's going gun and gave a sharp command, to take the Allen kid with him. which Murtagh thought it best to to take the Allen kid with him. Dan knows the fig's about up around here for him. So he's splitting up the Busters this morning, "No, just think you ought to keep your hands off Nell." Nell unboilted the door to the giving each guy his divvy, and turn-'em out to shift for themselves closet-like side room. Ruth Allen, sick at heart and in body, came and scatter. Last night young Ford and his dog beat Dan up in out weakly, slewly, and sank into dog on guard, but Dan goes and newcomers, but saw there nothing sneaks back and blows sleep snuff to reassure her. Still dazed from the gas and from the horror of her fractions the keyhole. Believe me, we had to go easy, because that for her hands and sobbed.

Sog's nose and care is damn sharp. I watched downstairs with the car while Dan and Kid Twist went in."

"Now..." Nell's voice was visceremed. gets me and some of the mob, while Dan and Kid Twist went in."
"Now..." Nell's voice was vibrant with the passionate resolve
of a woman backed into the last
ditch and grimly, morbidly, determized to fight her way out or drag screamed. Ruth recoiled. "God help me!" I don't know what you mean. I've done nothing. I want nothing to do with any of you. Just please let me go and I'll never see or bother you—"
"You've stolen my man with to destruction with her every one

involved.

Bottleneck shrugged. "Ain't I Bottleneck shrugged. "Ain't I will be seed you he's going to duck out with the kid? He's got the big speedboat all set for a quick trip cut to the rum fleet, where he's going on board a Nassau booze runner and beat it down there. He wants me to go along—"Bottleneck laughed shortly. "He's afraid of me—and damn good reason to be!"

"By God, he start going to rut your way and let me and this girl

"By God, he ain't going to ""t this over on me without I put up a scrap!" Well furiously sharted to rise, but Bottleneck restrained her. "Listen, Nell," he muttered, and there was a yearning in his eyes. "Forget the big stiff. He ain't got so more use for you. I'll take my share of the snag, and you and me'll go to Canada and live high. It was, of course, not the girl's doings. It was solely found the same as well livin' up there sunain' stuff over the berder, and—"Nell and her, and after ween him—and her, and after

ere was a time, Bottleneck, a you and I was hunky dory, Dan Murtagh made me what I

At the Lithia Springs Hotel-A. E. Graver of Berkeley, Cal., among those who stopped in Ash-M. Painter of Vancouver, B. land yesterday. They registered

Crater Lake In Winter Time

BY JOHN MABIN Caretaker at Crater Lake

Lodge

a sea of fog. A few of the higher mountain tops were showing, they were as distant blue islands in a of Goose Nest was just showing above the fog, as the banks of fog would roll over it and then recede, streams of fog would appear among the dark green trees. t looked like a great reef of rocks washed by the incoming

consuming jeelousy drive her that Bottleneck was breathing hard from the strain of keeping step with her by the time they arrived at the deserted warehouse on the equality deserted. MacLaughlin and Shasta loom ed high above, ghostly white in the gray dawn, then as the paint brush of the sun touched their white canvas they seemed to smile and wish all the world a good

At dawn of day the blanket of og appears smooth, but as the rays of the rising sun struck the silver gray surface it's appearance immediately changed. Into the dull and lifeless leaped color and action. Long blue and purple shadows, streaming like open water in a frozen sea, sky sweeping waves high lighted with blue and green, pink and red, the feathered white cap of the crest streaming with gold. The quiet drab sea of dawn had changed into a seething, boiling mass of

hanging color. Worked on saw frame

Weather - Day Cloudy, storm egan 1 p. m., wind southeast, snowfall since last observation 1.5 in. percipitation, 25 in., depth of snow on ground, 20.5 in., Temp. H. 46, L. 29, R. 27, M

"Oh, dry up, Nell. You know I can't stay around here with things setting so damned hot. And you know I've been slipping kale to you right along. I've set you pretty long ago. There ain't no call for you have a can't and the money was ONCRETE EXPERIMENTS MAY AID CONSTRUCTION

FRESNO, Cal., Jan. 8 .- (UP) Big dam construction may be evolutionized as a result of ex-"To so off and live in style with periments just completed in the mountains east of Fresno, and proving, it is believed, that conthere"—pointing to a closet—"and crete has twice !
I'm here to tell you, Dan Murtagh, erally supposed. crete has twice the elasticity gen-

government experts and members of the Engineering Foundation of New York, involved the construction of a dam for the sole purpose of breaking it down.

The experiments are concluded, the concrete is exhausted, the dam, many feet higher than was originally intended, still stands, and the engineers have returned to New York to study their data. Behind the dam is impounded almost twice as much water as the engineers believed it could resist.

"The experts are amazed at the result of their investigations," said L. J. Moore, president of the Fresno chapter, American Assoclation of Engineers. "From all reports they have found the elasticity of concrete to be about twice as great as previously estimated."

It is expected that as a result of these findings, engineers in figuring construction of dams will be enabled to make great reductions in the amounts of concrete and thus effect the saving of millions of dollars.

MILLIONS LEFT HOME

TULSA, Okla., Jan. 8 .- (UN) Charles Page, prominent millionaire and philanthropist who died here last week, left approximately \$11,000,000 to the Sand Springs Orphan's Home, according to the terms of his will, which was filed in probate court Thursday afternoon. The institution was founded by

To his widow and his daughter he bequeathed each \$15,000 a

Most men would embrace an pportunity if it came disguised

as a pre ty girl.

DAILY BIBLE PASSAGE "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Timothy 2:15.

Here is some advice given to a young man by his elder friend Paul. While this was given many years ago, it still lives and could well be taken by any of us, old or young,

TURNING THE PAGES BACK

ASHLAND 10 Years Ago

Game Warden J. H. Driscoll

and Ed Walker made an official trip to Antelope Creek last Thurs-

Mr. A. F. Hunt of Portland, Harvey went down to Gold Hill nother of Mrs. Will Dodge, who recently to spend a few days vis has been visiting her daughter here for some time past, left for Merced, Cat., yesterday.

Ed Wolcott returned last evening from a several months' stay in southern California, spent mostly at San Diego. Ed says he grew tired of the climate down Ashland.

ASHLAND 20 Years Ago

E. P. Moore, brother of Frank Moore, of this city, who has been here on timber business, left yesterday for his home in Minnesota.

Mrs. Harry Yeo and Mrs. J. A

iting with relatives.

Bob Hammond left today to resume his course at the state university at Eugene, where he is a Sophomore and doing well in his

Mrs. Susie Neil went to Jacksonville Thursday to spend a few

ASHLAND 30 Years Ago

Francisco today. E. V. Mills is reported as steadily improving under treatment at Dr. Lane's hospital in the city, and is in cheerful spirits.

L. C. Patrick and wife will take the next northbound train en route to Durango, Colorado, ticketed over the O. R. & N. and Union Pacific.

D. W. Coolidge and wife and Mrs. J. R. Casey spent last Sunday visiting with J. E. Foss and family at the farm near Talent.

there and was glad to return to days with the family of Judge J. engineer Mellus and son, are vis-Mrs. R. T. Mellus wife of the iting in Redding.