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MAKE THEM WORK

Marion county, according to the
Salem newspapers, is considering
the establishment of a rockpile. This
is sound common sense. The
widely prevalent custom of
crowding idle men into county
jails is all wrong and ought to be
abandoned.

It is probably true that a county
rockpile could produce road ma-
terial more cheaply than the com-
mercial gravel concerns. Forced
labor is always inefficient labor,
and when to this fact is added the
cost of guards any saving that
might be effected is likely to be
glimmering.

But that is not the point. The
average county jail is merely a sort
of social club in which idle men
with criminal inclinations are herded
together and left with nothing
to do save hatch up further mis-
chief. If there is anything in the
theory of corrective punishment,
something ought to be done to
change this condition. The best
correctives in the world are hard
labor, wholesome food and regular
living, and none of these is provided
by the average county jail.

THE ONLY WAY OUT

Scanning the auto sections the
other day, this writer's eye was
caught by the advertisement of a
company manufacturing motor
trucks. The burden of it was:
"Giant Motor Trucks Reduce Haul-
age Cost." They do. There can be
no doubt of that. But what do
they do to highway maintenance
costs?

There was a time, in the early
days of paved road building, when
it was argued that we must not
limit the loads that are to be
hailed over them. To do so, it was
urged, would be to put an abso-
lute ban upon the usefulness of the
highways. The thing to do, it was
asserted, was to build roads heavy
enough to stand up under any kind
of traffic.

Back in the beginning, when we
had had little experience with
highway costs and before we could
foresee the extent to which over-
loading would be carried, that
sounded reasonable enough. But
as we are gaining experience—and
paying for it as we gain it—we are
gaining greater wisdom as well. We
can see pretty clearly now that to
undertake to build roads that would
"carry any traffic" would merely
precipitate a race between the road
builders and the truck builders.
The heavier we built the roads the
bigger would be the trucks built to
use them because, as the advertise-
ment already quoted so tersely put
it, of the consequent reduction of
haulage costs.

Such a race would inevitably be
won by the truck builder, for he
can produce newer and vaster units
much faster than the taxpayer can
find the money with which to build
the roads to carry these new mon-
sters. The only thing that can be
done in reason is to limit the loads
that may be hauled over the highways.

MONEY OR LIFE

An old lady in New York, aged
71, died in her tenement home
alone, lacking warm clothing, bed-
ding, furniture, fuel and food. Cold
and starvation killed her. Inquiry
showed that she had over \$6000 in
the bank. "Unjustly this old lady
is called a miser," remarks a sym-
pathetic observer. "Interest on
\$6000 would give her less than 80
cents a day, and you can't live on
that."

Any person 71 years old, with no
dependents, has a right to start
living on the principal. That \$6000,
economically spent, and eked out

with the interest earned on the
slowly diminishing balance in the
bank, would probably have kept the
old lady comfortably to the end,
with enough left over to pay her
funeral expenses.

Simpler still—any insurance com-
pany would have given her, for her
\$6000, an assured annuity for life
that would have taken care of her.
As it is, preferring money to life,
she lost both.

Youth's greatest menace is the
flask on the hip, says Mrs. Florence
Kahn, California congresswoman,
who adds that the remedy is to lib-
eralize the Volstead act. A better
one would be to remove the flask
and apply the parental slipper to
the vacant spot.

The Italians are complaining bit-
terly because Rudolph Valentino
has taken out American citizenship
papers. Add to that the fact that
he's getting a Paris divorce and it
does rather look as if he is giving
his birthplace the go-by.

A murderer hanged down in
Arizona the other day went to his
death strumming a ukelele. That's
once when a "uke" player got what
was coming to him.

A fashion note says that skirts
are to be shorter in the spring. So
people won't have to go touring in
order to see the scenery.

"Father of Young Mrs. Berlin
Adamant," says a headline. "Ivory,"
we should say, might be nearer the
exact truth.

Mount Vesuvius is spilling lava
again. Carry the news to Musso-
lini and let him suppress the erup-
tion.

Early Days in Eugene

(From the Morning Register,
January 12, 1907)

Roseburg high school basketball
team was defeated by Eugene high
school at basketball last night by a
score of 23 to 15.

Mrs. J. B. Willoughby and son,
Alfred, went to Portland yesterday
to visit.

The firm of Scobert and Dodge
is closing out its immense retail
stock of goods, dry goods, boots
and shoes at wholesale cost. The
firm intends to conduct a whole-
sale produce business.

The household effects of J. Han-
neman arrived here yesterday
from Holland, Mich.

Percy P. Adams of the Univer-
sity is drawing plans for a small
cottage which he will erect
for himself soon.

One of our business men over-
heard the conversation between
railroad men in which it was stated
that the Southern Pacific company
would surely build a new depot
here this year.

The present spell of fine weather
has put the streets in good condi-
tion.

There is much snow in the
mountains, both east and west of
Eugene, and owners are riding a
great deal, rounding up their cattle
to get them down to where they
can feed them.

Words Often Misused: Don't say,
"These figures are absolutely cor-
rect." "Absolutely" is not a word
as absurd to say "are correctly
correct."

Often Mispronounced: Hospita-
ble. Pronounce the s, and not the t,
so often heard.

Often Misspelled: Necessary.
Synonyms: Obstacle, difficulty,
hindrance, encumbrance.
Word Study: "Use a word three
times and it is yours." Let us in-
crease our vocabulary by master-
ing one word each day. Today's
word: Potential; existing in pos-
sibility, not in reality. "A poten-
tial hero."—Carlyle.

Briefs of Oregon Life

Less snow in the high Wal-
lowa mountains than is usual in
winter. No reports have been re-
ceived by the local forest office on
depth of snow for three weeks,
but on December 15 it was re-
ported to have reached four feet at
Lake Anzerod. The snow in the
Springs, in the northern part of
the county, is said to be consid-
erably less at this time than in the
past several winters.

The honor of taking the first
steelhead of the 1926 season on a
fly goes to A. B. Davis, who Wed-
nesday caught a seven-pounder
from the Rogue on a royal coach-
man No. 4 fly. The river has been
exceptionally low all winter and
is as clear as at any time during
the summer.

A blackmail plot was revealed
Saturday by Miss Ella Curtis, No.
60 South Second street. Grants
Pace, who she turned over to po-
lice, is a letter breaching her with
threats and death unless she placed
\$300 at the girl's entrance to the
Riverside school. Her aunt, Mrs.
M. E. Curtis, now in the state
hospital at Salem, was also threat-
ened in the same letter.

The order that a number of sea
rocks along the Oregon coast, near-
grounds for various species of sea
fowl, be withdrawn as partial per-
mits to permit their free use by
birds and to preserve their scenic
attractions, was included in a
proclamation issued Saturday by
President Coolidge.

The district attorney's associa-
tion of Oregon, the state sheriff's
association and the state associa-
tion of county judges and commis-
sioners will hold joint sessions at

Multnomah county courthouse

January 20, 21 and 22.

To be able to pick ripe raspber-
ries and evergreen blackberries
at Coquille in January is a novel
experience, but it is being done in
that part of the state.

Radio Programs Today

Best Features Throughout the

Country Tonight

Tuesday, January 12

3:00 p. m.—WJZ (43.3) New

York—Australian program.

4:30 p. m.—WRC (46.5) Wash-
ington—United States Marine band; also
WJZ, WGY.5:00 p. m.—WJZ (43.3) Spring-
field—Hockey, Bruins vs. Canadians.5:15 p. m.—WLS (34.1) Chicago
—High school boys' gym club.5:30 p. m.—WLV (42.3) Cincinnati
—"Entertaining Your Dog at a Show."5:45 p. m.—WJZ (43.3) New
York—Henry Ford's old time dance
program; also WJAB, WJBL, WFL,
WCAE, WGB, WGL, WSAI, WEAH,
WOC, WWS, KSD, WTAO, WJHL,
WJZ.7:00 p. m.—WGY (37.5) Schenec-
tady—Grand tour, "Switzerland,"
also WRC, WJZ.7:00 p. m.—WJZ (43.3) Milwaukee
—"Women's club federation."7:00 p. m.—KTHS (37.5) Hot
Springs—"Conway" Night.

Pur West Station Silent Tonight

KFOA, KLN, KOA, KWSB

CFAC—Calgary—135.5

7:00 p. m.—Studio program.

CNRR—Regina—170

7:00 p. m.—Studio program.

CNRR—Vancouver—291

7:30 p. m.—Children's program.

8:30 p. m.—Studio program.

9:30 p. m.—Belmont orchestra;
vocal.

KFI—Los Angeles—467

5:30 p. m.—Matinee program.

6:00 p. m.—Doings—"Seeing Cal-
ifornia."7:00 p. m.—Myra Vickery's pro-
gram.

8:00 p. m.—Examiner program.

9:00 p. m.—Packard orchestra.

10:00 p. m.—Packard ballad
hour.

KGO—Oakland—361.5

4:00 p. m.—Concert orchestra.

5:30 p. m.—"As a Woman Think-
eth."

6:00 p. m.—Dinner concert.

8:00 p. m.—Ever-Ready hour.

9:00 p. m.—Contralto; violinist.

9:30 p. m.—Auction bridge.

10:00 p. m.—Dance music, hotel
St. Francis.

KGW—Portland—491.5

8:00 p. m.—Educational hour;
auction bridge; talk; quartet.10:00 p. m.—Multnomah dance
orchestra.

KJR—Seattle—354.4

8:30 p. m.—Puguet Sound musi-
cale. (15 hours).10:00 p. m.—Victor Recording
orchestra.

KJH—Los Angeles—405.2

6:30 p. m.—Children's program.

7:30 p. m.—Talk on dogs.

8:00 p. m.—Greater Eagle Rock
club.

KMX—Hollywood—336.9

7:00 p. m.—Feature program.

8:00 p. m.—Cortney program.

9:00 p. m.—Dealer program.

KOA—Denver—323.4

5:30 p. m.—Brown Palace string
orchestra.

6:30 p. m.—Farm question box.

KPO—San Francisco—428.5

5:15 p. m.—Children's stories.

6:30 p. m.—"At the Theatre";
orchestra.10:00 p. m.—Cocoanut Grove
orchestra.

KSTP—Pasadena—315.6

8:00 p. m.—Studio program; vo-
cal solo.

SENATE COMMITTEE

ACCEPTS TAX RATES

(Continued from page one)

articles, coin operated devices

and mah jong sets.

Repeal of the taxes on works of
art, brokers, tobacco manufactur-
ers, bowling alleys, pool and billiard
tables, amusements, garages and rid-
ing academies, automobiles, for
hire and use of domestic built
yachts. Reduction of the 33 tax
on dispensers of narcotic drugs.Reduction in the taxes on other
classes of cigars.The committee has yet to take
action on the inheritance tax, which
Chairman Smoot will seek to have
repealed.

ENGINEER ADOPTS GIRL

EVELYN CASTLE GETS HOME

WITH CARPENTER

(By The Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 11.—

Evelyn Castle, 9, whose parents
were killed in an automobile acci-
dent, today became the adopted
daughter of Harvey Carpenter, en-
gineer of the Southern Pacific
train which struck the Castles'
machine at grade crossing.Judge Jacob Kandler of the court
of domestic relations, who granted
a final decree, held that the en-
gineer was better able to give the
girl a good home than an uncle
who contested the adoption pro-
ceedings.Carpenter was never blamed for
the wreck.

Ice Skating Enjoyed

(By The Associated Press)

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 11.—

With the weather clear and
cold, hundreds of Klamath resi-
dents enjoyed ice skating yesterday
afternoon and last night on the
many ponds and on the Upper
Klamath lake. The city was prac-
tically deserted yesterday as those
who were skating were motor-
ing over the roads which have
been put in splendid condition by
the several days of clear weather.

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gene high school play tonight.
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at basketball. Page 9.

The Office Cat

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Modernizing It: "Joseph had a coat of

flowered acetate."

The fact is you have never been given

anything, but have been sold many

things alleged to be gifts.

Death is one visitor who never finds

anyone quite ready for him.

Paint heart never won a husband,
and not very many faint complements.Miss Bailey and Mr. Barnum have
been married at Youngstown, Ohio.
Probably it was the usual one—ring
ceremony."I hear that Jones left everything
he had to an orphan asylum."

"What did he leave?"

"Twelve."

Nowadays, the government takes care
of the morals of all of us, and those
of us without morals take care of the
government.Marjorie—I wish I had a nickel for
every boy I've kissed.Glady—"What would you do? Buy
yourself a package of gum?"

SIGN IN MILLINERY WINDOW

Wanted—girls to trim rough sailors.
(They don't do it easy; comments old
man hen-neck)."Life is but a dream," since the poet,
undoubtedly he was thinking about the
nightmare.

Of all the sad surprises

There's nothing to compare.
With treading in the darkness
On a step that isn't there.All women are alike except some are
more alike than others.If the editor advocates a park and
playground too enthusiastically some-
body may ask him what went with that
other one.Tramp (entering pawnshop): Would
you give a poor man 25c for a bed?Pawnbroker: Who can tell? Bring the
bed around and I'll have a look at it.COME OUT OF THERE, MAURICE
(Ad in Minneapolis, Minn., Journal)Lost—Dark gray suit coat with small
brown stripe. Maurice L. Rothschild in
inside pocket.A lot of otherwise successful and
pleasant people to meet never have any
matches.

EMPTYS CUMING BACK

Have you ever sat by the r. r. track
And watched the emptys coming back?
Lumbering along with a groan and a
whiteSmoke strung out in a long gray line
Bleached from the panting injun's stack
I have, and to me the emptys seem
Like dreams I sometimes dream—
Of a girl, or money, or a
maybe mine.My dreams have all returned the same
Swinging along the homebound track
... Just emptys coming back.A sandbag in the hands of the holiday
man is a stunning affair.We wonder if it's true that the man
who was hurrying to get his house
painted before the paint ran out.A certain society man last year spent
\$10,000 on his son's education and got
a quack.He! Wait a minute. I thought I heard
something break.She! That's right. That was just my
promise to mother.The future is very dark to school
children with no immediate promise
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PEACE PLAN REJECTED

NO PROGRESS MADE BY COAL

CONFERENCE

(By The Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Another
peace plan popped up in the an-
thraxite wage conference today
and was promptly rejected. The
conference, which has been making
progress and adjourned until to-
morrow.The new plan was presented by
the operators and embodied, ac-
cording to them, "the utmost com-
pensation that can be made and
still preserve the essential of a
workable agreement."The miners, in rejecting it,
placed on the record a statement
detailing their opposition to arbi-
tration. John L. Lewis, president
of the United Mine Workers, de-
clared that "in a final desperate
effort" to break up the confer-
ence, the operators had again of-
fered a plan of arbitration of
wages alone.The latest plan to end the hard
coal strike, now limping into its
fifth month, provided for a five-
year agreement, with the right of
either side to request once a year
the reconsideration of the wage
scale.

Sutherland Pleads Guilty

(By The Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 11.—

Fred Sutherland pleaded guilty in
federal court today to being the
mail to defraud. He wrote from
Oakland, Ore., to a 37c, diggs of
St. Mary, Idaho, claiming to be
her lost son for whom she had
advertised. He was given 90 days
in jail.

Smallpox Attack Fatal

(By The Associated Press)

BEND, Ore., Jan. 11.—Melvin
Bend, 13-year-old son of F. W.
Wells, died today at the family
home three miles east of Bend.
Smallpox which was said to have
broken out internally and attacked
his heart caused his death, accord-
ing to physicians.

Lewis Requisition Issued

(By The Associated Press)

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 11.—Govern-
nor Pierce yesterday issued
requisition on the governor of
Washington for the extradition of
Damon A. Lewis, who is held in
Seattle and wanted in Lane county,
Oregon, on a charge of larceny by
bait.

Fire Loss Given

(By The Associated Press)

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 11.—The total
fire loss in Oregon in 1925, outside

World's
Largest
Chain
Department
Store
Organization

A NATION-WIDE
INSTITUTION—
J. C. Penney Co. INC.
DEPARTMENT STORES