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Federal System of Placement Training for Ex-Service Men All Wrong

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From the investigation I have made on the subject of vocational education, as now being conducted by the government, I am convinced that our present method of placement training has been demonstrated conclusively to be all wrong. Former service men, who have been given medical attention in hospitals, are now being placed in many instances in sweatshops and "mushroom concerns." They are not being given the training contemplated by the government, but on the other hand are being used as a source of cheap labor for the purpose of earning profits for the managers of these institutions.

Furthermore, the government has furnished these privately managed training shops with their machinery and equipment. I propose to close every "mushroom" institution. There are 40 or 50 different types of these. I figure there are 30,000 veterans of the total 100,000 now receiving vocational training in places of this character. I doubt very much if five per cent of the entire 6,000 veterans represented as rehabilitated are actually engaged in the work assigned to them by the government. They are accepted for certain classes for training in designated institutions, and all too frequently are assigned to some other class of work which will make the proprietor more money for himself.

Isn't it rotten on the face of it? It is nothing short of slavery to put men in certain types of these institutions. We want to establish schools so the men will be honestly and properly rehabilitated instead of destroying their morale. We are going to give better study to the physical, mental and moral side of each man given into our care.

In addition to these schools there will be employment offices created for the location of men after they have been thoroughly trained, and there will be a follow-up system so that when a trainee after leaving the government schools shows a special aptitude in his work he can be given specialized assistance. Graduates of the national schools will be given certificates as journeymen under a guarantee of the government.

Commencing To Wonder?

Many people have commenced to wonder what they are going to prepare during the holiday season, and the "Do Your Christmas Shopping Early," is going to have more followers than ever this year.

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The Tangled Skein

Untangled by the Herald Bell Hop

A Heppner man received notice from the attorneys for the plaintiff the other day that they had been given a judgment against him for \$2,485 and wanted to know what they should do with it. "Cash it" was the word sent back by the defendant "and let some of the poor people of the town use the money." We rise to remark that the defendant was a sure enough optimist.

A Minnesota man went into an automobile smashup the other day and both of his legs had to be amputated just above the ankle. After he had "come to life" following the effects of the anesthetic, he said: "Say I sure have something to be thankful for—what if I had been going the other way."

This is the week we keep wondering who to pity the more—the football players or the turkeys that have had no better sense than to eat all the feed in sight. Death for one and derailment for the other.

Our invitation to the disarmament parley must have been miscarried as up to yet we have not received it. May not have made any particular change though.

There is a rumor afloat that congress will attempt to pass a bill mak-

ing it necessary for bootleggers to comply with the purefood laws. But the undertakers are fighting the passage of the bill, says the rumor.

Some big men want a little job while there are a lot of little men who aren't satisfied unless they have a position that is bigger than they are.

Education is compulsory here in the United States—but after taking a walk around the block for a couple of times one comes to the conclusion that there is something to that saying: "You can drive a horse to water but you can't make it drink." Prohibition is compulsory too—in some places.

Santa Claus is going to sneak on a lot of merchants throughout the country who have been waiting for "business to pick up."

You can at least depend upon the radical man as being honest in his convictions. He also has a way of telling things which shows him to be a radical.

The man who does not smile when it is time to smile has something on his mind that should be separated from it—and a cream separator won't do the work.

A lot of men are going to prove they have something to be thankful for by getting all lit up like the great white way, while the wife sits at home and wonders why Thanksgiving day is being observed all over the country.

The dollar that does the business

today isn't the one where the signature appears on the bottom line, while at the top may be found: "One year after date I promise to pay."

What Women Think

By Mary, the Girl Reporter

Are teacher thinks the main thing we pupils have to be thankful for is that she was choosed to teach in are room. Paw ses she is mitey eggotistical Phil Mahoney ses there is mutch more pleazure in anticipashun than there is reezalization but he never did no just when to kwit after he got himself set down to a table full of good things to eet.

Paw cut the last six days ofn our kalender the uther day and maw ses why didn't he wate til the last weak an then turn the clock ahed 6 days.

Mundy nite when I sneazed ant Lucy ses Mary pull down that window an Paw looked over at me and ses Mary pull up them stockings.

Techeer ast Duck Lee why did thay put in God we trust on all are silver munny and Duck he sed he guest it was becawse everybody elts had to pay cash now days.

Us girls is startin a put an take club. We put on our best cloas and take a feller to the dance an he has to pay all the eckspences of the eavning. Its easie enuff to get the girls

to joye but its hard to ketch the fellers.

The ladys ade sossiety passed a resoluhsion 2 years ago that as the Herald carried all the lokle news th wood not ned to waste any time tellin each uther what was goin on in the visality.

Are preecher who is teecher of the Sundy skule class ast Fred Tash what a reformer was an he sed a reformer was a man who was confined in a reformatory an got away while none of the gards was awake.

Paw he came home from town the uther nite an had sum sut on his faice. Maw she ast how come you get that thaire an Paw he sed he helped fix up a furniss what wassent working. That mafs five times in to weaks witch pa whas had to help some one fix up their furnisses so he must enjoy it.

Are class got to arguin about the debaiten sossiety Wenesday nite and befor the teecher got sum of the boys seprated thair had bin blood spilled. Teecher she was going to get boxin gloves for the debaters to use.

Proper speech weak passed by very kwietly in this here town. Everbody knows how to talk and they talked as they know how whitch made it a pieceful weak.

I herd one of the stor keepers say Wensday that he wussent goin to put in a very heavy Krismus stock so I rote to Santy Claws to do his Krismus shoppin erley. I was almost over-loaded last Krismus.

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