

[GAIPP] SIDE #1: MANLY CAGE

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The MANLY CAGE with a sheet over it is rolled out down house right aisle by CRUMP and HIS ASSISTANT onto the stage space, rolling away the women. Inside the CAGE are the BAD BOYS. Crump gives an audience member his card. He's friendly and charming with an easy smile. A salesman.

CRUMP

The name's Crump. I'm a "Jail builder. Manly Jail Works, Inc." And I know what you're looking for.
What you've got is a CONVICT PROBLEM.
What you're looking for is a CONVICT SOLUTION.
And I've got what you need.

ASSISTANT does a flashy, showy display of pulling off the sheet. The cage is still wrapped in a white cover (as the ad shows.)

"The Manly Portable Convict Car."

As CRUMP speaks, the ASSISTANT over-gestures all of the features.

"Our cages are made in 12 and 18 convict capacity. Shipped set-up, completely ready to use. This new type of convict cage is the result of ten years of continual practical experience, in which the objectionable features of the old-style cages have been eliminated and new, exclusive features added that make for convenience, sanitation, comfort and security."

ASSISTANT

"PORTABILITY"

CRUMP

"4 to 6 mules pulling the Cages anywhere, on almost any kind of roads, keeping camp close to the work and losing no time in going to and from stockade."

ASSISTANT

"ABSOLUTE SECURITY"

CRUMP

"The Cage not only will pay for itself in a year in the saving of guard hire, but the cost and demoralizing effect of occasional escapes is eliminated."

ASSISTANT

“PERFECT SANITATION”

CRUMP

“The open sides in the summer and the even circulation of heat and forced ventilation in the winter, make the Cage absolutely sanitary the year round.”

As CRUMP speaks, the ASSISTANT opens up the white sides of the cage revealing a gang of “BAD BOYS” inside.

ASSISTANT

“INCREASED EFFICIENCY”

CRUMP

“Of the prisoners who, under the very best of conditions are physically able to all times to do their very best work.”

ASSISTANT

“COMPARATIVELY LOW COST”

CRUMP

“On the score of economy, the all-steel cage is by far the best solution of the convict problem. The *best* solution to the convict problem! It will outlast a dozen tents, quickly move from place to place, and is especially suited to counties working one, two, or three gangs of men.”

“The Manly cage is the recognized standard all over the South, it has maintained its popularity and its sales in every Southern State where convicts are worked on public roads.”

Because we all know, bad boys, make good roads.

*CRUMP and ASSISTANT exit.
Blackout.*