

WIDMANN MANAGE LOAN ASSOCIATION

Miss Caroline B. Myers, Known as "Uncle" Myers, Pawnbroker, Is Chosen.

PHILANTHROPY HER HOBBY

Remedial Society to Be Run on Business Lines—Interest at Rate of 3 Per Cent a Month to Be Charged for Accommodation.

It is a practical business woman, a practical philanthropist and a practical judge of human nature that the Portland Remedial Loan Association, which will be ready to begin business about February 1, has chosen for its general manager.

The general manager is a woman. Her name is Miss Caroline B. Myers. To the people of Portland she is known in a business way as "Uncle" Myers, for she has conducted a legitimate loan office under that name for more than 25 years. To her numerous friends and to those whom she has assisted in numerous practical ways she is known as "Carrie" Myers.

It might be well to explain that the use of the term "Uncle" is not the result of a desire to conceal her identity. That was the name by which her father was known to the Portland public. When he died she succeeded to the business and continued to conduct it under that name.

She probably is one of the most successful pawnbrokers on the Pacific Coast. Her little place on Sixth street is known to Portland people as well as to travelers. She has advanced thousands of dollars to the sick, the needy and the unfortunate, almost as often without security as with it, and it is yet to be told of her that she took advantage of one of her patrons.

This alone was enough to commend her to the association, but it was not on the strength of that knowledge that she was engaged.

"Next to Jim Addams in Chicago," says Dr. Jonah B. Wise, "I know of no woman who has a better understanding of the condition of the poverty-stricken and the unfortunate than Miss Myers."

What he had in mind was the settlement work which she has conducted, voluntarily and at her own expense, in South Portland for many years.

"It came about quite through accident," said Miss Myers yesterday in explaining in her modest way, how she came to have a place of business that ordinarily commands her constant attention.

School for Foreigners Urged. "I was in one of the big banks one day—the United States National, I think it was—when a foreigner who could not make the clerk understand him impressed me."

"I could understand his language. I soon learned that the man had \$5 in the bank—that he needed it—but that he could not make his own name known sufficiently to get it."

"It was simple matter for me, I explained to the teller and in less than a minute the man went away with his \$5. He was happy."

"Then I went home. But the thought of that man kept coming constantly into my head."

"So about a week later I called up the Jewish Women's Council."

"Why don't you people start a school on the South Side and teach some of these foreign people who are just coming into this country to talk English?" I asked them.

"The idea appealed to them, but they didn't have the funds."

All Cost Paid by Woman. "I was in earnest about the work, so I started the school myself. We have done so nicely now that I can't give it up."

Miss Myers' neighborhood house in South Portland is one of the city's most valuable institutions. She has trained hundreds of boys and girls—but just as many men and women—in the rudiments of the English language. She has so many pupils now that a number of assistant teachers are required. All work without pay.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights Miss Myers closes up her office promptly at 6 o'clock, hires a taxicab and rides down to South Portland. She devotes the rest of the evening to her settlement work. From her own funds she buys all the text books, the books, pencils and other equipment. It costs her—well, she doesn't know what she doesn't care. She loves the work and does it for the love of it.

She has made such progress that some of her friends have suggested that it may soon be possible to hire teachers and to continue it.

"I hope none of me has answered each such suggestion."

Loans Cost 3 Per Cent a Month. "It takes sympathy and patience and understanding—and a lot of cash—to do that work. Paid teachers never could do it."

that the bridge vibrates more than a structure of the kind should. Mr. Dieck says that while it is impossible to determine to what extent a bridge of the kind should vibrate, he does not believe there is any cause for alarm. He has received a letter from the Pennsylvania steel company, the concern which erected the bridge, in which a partial promise is made to repave the roadway of the bridge.

Mr. Modjeski, who was engineer of the bridge reports that the "only source of danger to the bridge is from either incompetent operation or supervision, or both."

The statement that the work of repairs is of such magnitude as to require the closing of the draw span for three days," Mr. Modjeski says, "is misleading and no such necessity exists. Whatever is done to avoid friction of the rivets in question can be done without the least interruption of the operation of the bridge."

The only defects noted by Mr. Modjeski, he reports, is the wearing of some of the rivets caused by contact with friction plates. These, he says, are of a secondary nature and their destruction would not affect the strength of the span. In referring to a test the bridge was subjected to unexpectedly last week, Mr. Modjeski comments upon the fact that failure

of electric current caused the instant application of emergency brakes, one of the severest tests that can be applied to a bridge.

118 BECOME CITIZENS

25 APPLICATIONS ARE DENIED AT DECEMBER HEARINGS.

Many Not Admitted Because of Immorality and One Who Complains of Delay Must Wait Five Years.

When the December naturalization examinations were concluded last night, Judge Morrow announced that 118 of the four judges before whom the hearings were conducted, 25 applications had been denied and 29 cases continued.

The hearings were begun before Judge Cooke, continued Saturday before Judge Kavanaugh, continued Monday before Judge Morrow and concluded yesterday afternoon by Judge Morrow.

Judge Morrow had heard a number of examinations at the morning session. When two of the applicants required Judge Morrow as witness, Judge Davis was called over to preside at the hearings and passed on the applications.

The examinations were conducted by Naturalization Examiner Hazard.

Many of the applicants were denied their final citizenship papers this month because of immorality and others because of their witnesses being unqualified. Lewis Steiner, when his case was continued for lack of qualified witnesses, complained that he had spent more money and time trying to get his naturalization papers than they were worth.

Judge Morrow took offense at this remark and advised Steiner that his application was denied with prejudice, which prevents him from making application again for five years.

The list of those admitted yesterday and the number of those admitted, denied and continued on each day of the hearing, follows:

Charles J. Gray, Simon Steiner, Carl Francis, Arvid G. Gustaf, Jean B. LeRoy, Andrew W. Lokren, Benedict Nussbaumer, Charles Weber, Adolph Isler, Albert J. Jenner, Henry Sauer, Louis Rosenstren, John K. Fink, Morris Wender, James W. Palmer, Harold L. Wold, Abram Labkoosy, Jacob Hoogstraat, John Glosik, Herman F. Ritten, Arthur Solly, Roy K. Terry, James Gordon, Albert Monge, Martin Johnson, George M. Marshall, Arthur Davis, Patrick J. O'Tool, Henry Hall.

Admitted 29 27 3 27 29 115
Denied 6 12 4 5 5 33
Continued 6 12 4 5 5 29
Totals 41 46 12 37 39 177

"CHECKERS" AT MAJESTIC

Splendid Drama Admirably Presented by Moving Picture Artists.

"Checkers," one of the strongest plays ever presented, is shown this week at the Majestic, with Thomas W. Ross in the title role. The scenes are admirably depicted and are full of action and realism. In fact, it is one of the best moving picture productions ever seen in Portland.

The country store, with all the odd characters, the race-track, the stables, the faro game and the run on the bank are only a few of the many attractions that make the play distinctive. There are plenty of love scenes and enough comedy to please the sentimental and, as everything ends well, the play leaves a good impression. There is just enough of the moral pointed to make it balance.

"Checkers" will continue the rest of the week. Miss Esther Sundquist, the gifted young violinist, closes her engagement at the Majestic this week, and is appearing in some of her most artistic numbers, which continue to win for her applause and admiration.

PAROLES GIVEN TO THREE

Two Swindlers and Girl Freed After Pleading Guilty to Charge.

W. J. Dwyer, alias Burke, alias Mullen, under indictment for obtaining money by false pretenses, pleaded guilty yesterday before Judge Gatens, was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary and, upon condition that he leave the state and not return during the time of the sentence, was paroled.

Dwyer was charged with asking a vagrant charge before Judge Cleston, who ordered that the girl be returned to her mother, who lives in Spokane.

CITY LABOR FORCE NEARLY 500 TODAY

Commissioners Arrange to Increase Number Hired on Relief Plan.

IDLERS ARE DISCHARGED

Officials Expect Workmen to Give Value for Wages Paid—Unions Satisfied With Way Work Is Being Handled.

The city will have almost 500 laborers at work today under the relief labor plan which is being put into operation. City Commissioner Dieck arranged to put 200 men to work in the water department this morning in addition to the 125 who worked yesterday, making a total of 325 for his department. Commissioner Dieck arranged to put on between 50 and 75 men and Commissioner Brewster has almost 400 men at work in Mount Tabor and Laurelhurst parks.

These forces will be increased if possible. "Those who were put on yesterday will work until tonight, when they will be laid off and their places given to other men. The forces will alternate so that all laborers who are desiring will be given work on alternate two days each week at \$3 a day."

Commissioner Dieck had occasion last night to demonstrate to those who have been employed that the move is not one of charity on the part of the city, when he discharged six of the laborers in his employment for not working properly. The six were sent out to attend to the work of rounding curb corners in the residence district. The inspector who had charge of the report that the men spent most of their time in talking and accordingly Commissioner Dieck made an investigation.

He saw the six men working on two different corners of the city, talking instead of working and accordingly all were discharged. They will be given no further employment.

Other Commissioners have found so far that the men employed under the relief system are working well. In the water department Commissioner Daily says he believes the city is getting value received for the money being expended. Commissioner Brewster says the men in the parks are getting value in charge of the men have been given instructions to require the men to work. The Commission takes the view that the men operating the relief labor plan for the assistance of the unemployed and that unless the men are willing to work the city has no place for them.

James Marzette, of the Central Labor Council, said yesterday that the Labor Council is satisfied with the way the city is handling the situation.

City Treasurer Adams yesterday paid out about \$750 as wages to the 250 men who worked yesterday. The office was kept open until 8 o'clock last night, and all men who worked for the city under the relief labor plan were given their pay for the day. So far the city has paid out an aggregate of about \$2900 in amounts of \$3 and \$6.

DAY OF CABARET OVER

HOTEL MULTNOMAH TO CLOSE SHOW JANUARY 4.

Management Announces Saving of About \$500 a Week Will Be Distributed in Improving Service.

No more will the soup be accompanied by the tango, nor the roast be garnished with ragtime, nor the wine be sipped to the throbbing, sobbing strains of grand opera.

No more will the singers and the dancers of the stage, and interrupting mastication and otherwise interfere with the serious business of dining.

The dinner and cabaret show are numbered in at least one of the leading hotels of Portland, according to an announcement issued yesterday by its management.

After January 4, 1914, those who take their meals at the Hotel Multnomah will do so to the accompaniment of music from an orchestra of 13 pieces, but that will be all.

"We will close our cabaret show for keeps on that date, when all our contracts will have expired," said Roy C. Yates, president of the Multnomah Company, yesterday. "We were the first to start real cabaret shows in Portland, and we will be the first to stop them."

"We have tried out the cabaret for nearly two years and we have reached the definite conclusion that the majority of the people do not demand it. Since the hotel was opened 20 months ago, we have spent approximately \$45,000 on the cabaret, but the dining room in the Arcadian garden, I myself, have been watching the effect of the cabaret for 10 months, and I have concluded that it has no place in the hotel business."

"After this we are going to run a hotel and not a theater," said C. S. Bowers, manager of the hotel, yesterday. "The vaudeville show houses, where it belongs, and confine our entertainment at meal-time to that which will be provided by our high-class talent."

"We will also continue our free orchestral concerts every Sunday evening in the lobby."

"It will be a great relief to us. Why that cabaret show takes as much attention as all the other affairs of the business, and consumes an infinitely more patience than any other detail of the management."

"With the passing of the cabaret we will not have to cope with two sets of artistic temperaments, those of the performers and those of our patrons. For, try as we may, it is a difficult task to keep the show supplied with first-class talent."

President Yates declared that the saving made by eliminating the cabaret, at least \$500 a month, not counting the cost for carfare, costumes and other items, will be put into the service and cuisine of the hotel, and will be distributed through the whole house.

"The cabaret is a fad," he said. "The people may have fancied it at first, but like all fads, it has run its course, and we will soon be through with it."

PERSONAL MENTION.

D. A. Muth, of Eugene, is at the Nortonia.

William Hayward, of Eugene, is at the Oregon.

Dan P. Smythe, of Pendleton, is at the Oregon.

E. Wickham, of Sacramento, is at the Nortonia.

Bend, Or., are registered at the Perkins.

O. R. Aagaard, of Burton, Or., is at the Imperial.

Mrs. H. E. Gilham, of Seattle, is at the Washington.

Mrs. Ed Larson, of Newberg, is at the Washington.

Hamer A. Rogers, of Hood River, is at the Cornelia.

R. L. McMillan, of Mendota, Wash., is at the Carlton.

H. Shovel is registered at the Cornelia, from Baker.

J. Q. Adams, of Omaha, is registered at the Oregon.

J. J. Angell is registered at the Imperial, from Ida, Or.

John Anderson is registered at the Carlton, from Astoria.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burns, of Seattle, are at the Washington.

George Youell, of Tacoma, is registered at the Multnomah.

H. H. Johnson is registered at the Nortonia, from Winfred, S. D.

M. Epstein registered at the Oregon yesterday, from San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott, of Centralia, Wash., are at the Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Montgomery, of Spokane, are at the Multnomah.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rogers, of Vancouver, B. C., are at the Multnomah.

M. Gorman, Mayor of Cathlamet, Wash., was at the Imperial yesterday.

Ray Samuels registered at the Nortonia yesterday, from San Francisco.

Captain H. McDonald is registered at the Imperial, from Alton, Wash.

A. T. Craig and C. E. Hill, of Corvallis, are registered at the Washington.

Dr. E. A. Smith, of Calgary, accompanied by Mrs. Smith, is at the Multnomah.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Deane are registered at the Cornelia, from Salem, as is also L. B. Smith.

C. P. Corwin and W. O. Ward, with Mrs. Ward, are registered at the Carlton, from Olcott, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams, of Kalama, Wash., are at the Imperial.

John Anderson is registered at the Carlton, from Astoria.

Mr. Williams was recently elected a member of the Kalama City Council.

Mrs. A. J. Wender, of Valdez, Alaska, registered at the Imperial yesterday.

Mrs. Wender came to Seattle by Valdez on the last steamer of the season. She will visit with her parents at Canyon City, Or.

Boardman C. Adams, United States superintendent of construction of the field force of the Treasury department's supervising architect, is registered at the Cornelia, from Washington, D. C. He is here in connection with the coming construction of Portland's new postoffice building.

W. H. Pattee, of Sheridan; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Howell, of Astoria; J. P. Rector, of Brownville; J. P. Rector, of Burns; R. T. Evans, of Hood River; Charles Webb, of Bay City; Felix Beecher, of Grand Rapids; Claude D. Lee, of Eugene; I. Oida, of Tillamook; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stewart, of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Sprague, of Roseburg, are Oregon people who are registered at the Perkins.

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Highly refined products of the grape, properly combined with bicarbonate of soda and a little corn starch to absorb atmospheric moisture, are the sole ingredients of the ideal, high-class, standard baking powder.

Many acids have been tried during the last hundred years to find a substitute for the grape cream of tartar which would cost less. In recent years alum, which makes a baking powder at a cost of two cents a pound, has been used because of its trifling cost. Alum, however, has been disapproved by scientific chemists and physicians and is not employed by manufacturers of high-class powders.

Cream of tartar powders being healthful themselves, add to the healthfulness of the food.

CAROL FESTIVAL TONIGHT

FROM PUBLIC STREETS CHRISTMAS HYMNS WILL RISE.

Assembly, Under Auspices of Rotary Club, at Broadway and Oak, Begins at 8 o'clock.

Christmas celebration will begin today in many Portland organizations, and the entertainments to be held in various places this afternoon will be capped tonight with the big Christmas carol singing assembly under the auspices of the Rotary Club on the streets at Broadway and Oak tonight from 8 to 10 o'clock.

The Christmas carol crowds will begin to gather at about 7:30, when the Police Band, forming at the station, will march through the streets to the stand that has been erected at Broadway and Oak. Rev. J. H. Boyd will be master of ceremonies, and among the singers who have promised to participate are the members of the Ad Club quartet, Mrs. Elfrida Heller Weinstein, W. B. MacMurray and Don Zan. The crowd will be expected to participate in many of the Christmas choruses.

The Rotary Club is holding this celebration as a means of proving to the world that the Oregon climate is such that Christmas is quite out-of-door assemblies. The gathering is expected to be larger than that which witnessed the New Year singing festival last year.

Another club which is preparing to celebrate Christmas elaborately is the Ad Club, which will hold its programme and good fellowship meeting at the Portland Hotel at noon.

Besides many minor parties, there will be Christmas programmes at the Baby Home, the Frazier Home, the People's Institute in the Albina branch.

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SANTA LISTS PRESS CLUB

Christmas Tree for Children and Fete for Members Arranged.

Invitations will be sent out today for the Christmas holiday entertainments to be given by the Portland Press Club.

Saturday will be children's day. The wives and mothers of the members of the Press Club are invited to come and bring their sons and daughters. There will be a Christmas tree and Santa Claus has been specially engaged for the occasion, and has promised to provide presents for all of the children who attend. An entertaining programme will be provided for the occasion. The entertainment will not occupy more than an hour and a half. Last year it was a big success.

On Monday, December 29, there is to be an entertainment for the grown folks. It is to be called "A Night Off" and a highly entertaining vaudeville bill is promised. Refreshments will

be served, and everyone is promised an exceptionally enjoyable evening on the inimitable plan that the Portland Press Club usually follows.

4 PARKS OR NONE CHOICE

St. Johns People May Decide on Pools

Question of \$40,000 Bond Issue.

ST. JOHNS, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special).—The voters of St. Johns may decide at the February primary election whether they want four parks that will cost \$40,000 or more. The plan was proposed last night at the mass meeting held in the City Hall. C. H. Boyd, City Superintendent of Schools, presided. There was large attendance.

It was decided that St. Johns should have parks and it was voted to recommend that the City Council place on the ballot at a special election in February four park tracts, the Caples, Cook, Catlin and the Stearns. The latter was added to the other three, which already have been approved by the First and Second Wards. It contains seven acres and is valued at \$15,000.

"The bonds and the four tracts will be voted on at the same time. In selecting the park sites, it was decided to use the unit plan, so that all or none of the tracts will be voted on. The unit plan was adopted so that it will not be possible for any voter to select and

vote against any of the tracts, and all must stand or fall together.

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All through the Holidays the telephone will be flashing millions of greetings and good wishes far and near over its network of wires. It will be carrying the slightest inflection of the human voice out to the far-away friend and relative. Kindliness and laughter will be on the wires. Oldtime friends will be reminded that they are not forgotten, and where in the old days one Christmas visit was made in person, ten now will be made by telephone.

If you have a surplus of happiness during the holiday season, why not telephone a part of it to some one who has less? The telephone, you know, is the great and almost limitless roadway over which the Christmas spirit can travel.

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