

AUCTION OF FINERY-DRAWN BIG PROFITS

Throngs Profit From Misfortunes of Others.

GOODS ALL UNCLAIMED

Portland Remedial Loan Association Disposes of Household and Other Supplies.

Finery that once was the valued possession of some happy woman and which later served to bring money in a time of need, changed hands again yesterday afternoon at the annual auction sale conducted by the Portland Remedial Loan Association.

Every article had a story of several chapters, accumulated since it first began its travels. Guitars and mandolins that once made festivity in some home, Victrolas which were perhaps purchased to give to a young man by a happy couple, silver service that may have been a wedding present or an anniversary gift, wandered into new homes last night.

Jewelry did not meet with a lively sale. Diamond rings, diamond lavallieres, diamond pins and bracelets, wrist watches of all descriptions were offered but returned to stock. These jewels were shunned almost as though to take them would mean bad luck. Pictures of wives, sweethearts or children remained inside the cases of many of the men's watches, indicating, perhaps, an intention to return for the article when funds permitted.

Several chances were given by means of letters to each individual who pawed the article with the association to redeem it or to indicate that intention. Most of the letters were returned unopened.

Although some 200 articles were auctioned off yesterday, aggregating about \$3000, the sale is not nearly complete and will be continued on Wednesday at the same place, 288 Stark street. The little store room was crowded by a motley group of folk, overflowing the street during the first hour or two of the sale.

Useful Articles Are Sold. Some were there to make of the atmosphere, which assuredly was that of romance; some were there for commercial reasons to pick up valuable bargains. But there were still others who waited for articles of real necessity to be shown to supply real need. It seemed as though the better articles were the day's sale included several sewing machines, several Victrolas, musical instruments, adding machines, kodaks, oriental rugs, typewriters and a mimeograph machine.

George Baker, auctioneer, did not pause long when the articles he offered did not sell he put it down and chose another. A pair of roller skates sold at \$12.50. At the rate the articles went yesterday, it is probable there would be several more sold today. Mrs. Carrie Myers Herman, manager Mrs. Carrie Myers Herman, manager of the poor man's bank.

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SAFETY ORDERS ISSUED

Hotel and Apartment House Owners Are Notified.

The city building department yesterday sent out the last of its formal notices to hotel and apartment house owners and managers requiring them to comply with the ordinances governing fire construction protection. According to the building bureau head, H. E. Plummer, there are three ways to meet the ordinance requirements—installation of sprinkler systems, enclosing of stairways and elevator shafts or placing fire escapes with- out the use of sleeping rooms.

The first case coming under this ordinance wherein the city inspectors

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Committees were appointed to begin work on house arrangements, financing and general arrangements. There are usually about 500 delegates at these meetings.

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