Move Is On to Require Naturalization in 7 Years.

MANY APPLICATIONS LAPSE

Questionnaire to All Judges Indicates Plan to Limit Time in Which to Become Citizens.

naturalization officials may ask congress to place a statute of limitations on aliens who take out first citizenship papers and then let them go by default are given in a questionnaire which was recently mailed out from naturalization headquarters at Wash-ington to all judges authorized to pass upon the citizenship qualifications of those desiring to become American

If such an amendment should be Many Activities of Westminster made to the naturalization law it would place a lasting barrier against thousands of aliens who take out their first papers merely for the pur-

never expect to complete their citi-menship requirements.

According to records compiled yes-terday by J. B. Easter, chief clerk of the county naturalization bureau, 100 aliens who took out first papers more than seven years ago have let them lapse beyond the statutory per-riod and have taken out new first papers within the past 30 days. Time Is Unlimited.

Under the present law an alien can take out his first papers any time after he arrives in the United States. He is then given a period of seven years to complete his naturalization requirements. These 100 aliens procured their first papers, but thereafter made ne effort to complete their citizenship. Under the law as it now citizenship. Under the law as it now stands they can wait another seven years without taking any steps to complete their citizenship, and again come into court and procure first papers for the third time.

"The department is sounding out sentiment among jurists throughout the United States as to what should be done, and in my opinion if an alien fails to complete his qualifications within the seven years now allowed he should be forever barred from again seeking citizenship in this country," Mr. Easter said yesterday. "Any man who cannot complete his citizenship within seven years, most certainly does not think enough of the honor of becoming an American citizen to be entitled to that protec-

"It is also my opinion that allens who have lived in this country for more than 10 years should be prohibited from taking even the initial step toward citizenship. If a man cannot determine whether or not he wants to be a citizen of this country within 10 years after his afrival here it is my belief that he does not think enough of the country to entitle him to citizenship."

Cases Are Cited. Cases at point were given by Mr. Easter to explain the apparent laxity of the existing laws. His records for this month show where a citizen of

order to procure government land in that country, he renounced his al-legiance to the United States and became a naturalized citizen of Canada. He returned to the United States a few months ago and last week de-cided he wanted to become an Americided he wanted to become an Ameri-can citizen once more. His first papers are now on file in Mr. Easter's office. There are scores of similar cases, says Mr. Easter, which indicate that aliens are taking their citizenship re sponsibilities all too lightly, and for bet reason there is a general belief ng those who administer the naturalization laws that the reins should be tightened and more severe re

DOG LICENSE SUIT BEGUN W. B. Honeyman to Test Validity of

State Tax Law. Injunction proceedings to test the validity of the new state law requiring a state license for dogs was started in the circuit court yesterday when Walter B. Honeyman filed suit against District Attorney Evans, Con-stable Petersen, County Clerk Bev-eridge and Chief of Police Jenkins to restrain them from molesting his dog through failure to take out a state

The suit is a friendly action taken with the approval of District Attor-ney Evans in an effort to clear up all doubts as to the validity of the state law. The complaint sets forth that the fact that the county is made liable for the killing of any domestic animals by dogs is sufficient to make the act unconstitutional.

County officials more than a week ago advised dog owners not to take out the new state dog licenses until a final court ruling can be procured relative to the act. Dog owners in-sist that the state tax is an imposttion when a city tax is also required. Mr. Honeyman in his complaint sets forth that the licensing of dogs is purely a local matter and one over which the state should have no jurisdiction.

CAR SEPARATION URGED

Seattle Mayor Says Municipal Line Should Be City Department.

SEATTLE, Jan. 10. - Mayor Fitz-erald, who is running for re-election, in his first campaign speech here Fri-day declared the Seattle municipal street-car system, said to be the largest municipal system in the world should be conducted as a separate de-partment of the city government. At present the municipal railway is operated as a branch of the depart-ment of public utilities.

superintendent of the railway should be concerned only with the management thereof, and should be relieved of the responsibilities of other public utilities, which he now has," he said.

REED COLLEGE TO VOTE

Referendum of Academic Opinion

on Peace Treaty Sought. Reed college faculty and students will cast votes tomorrow on phases

of the peace treaty ratification, as part of the largest organized effort ever attempted to get an accurate referendum of academic opinion on a referendum of acagemic opinion on a public question in this country.

Promoted by the editors of the Harvard, Princeton, Yale and Columbia student publications, and sanctioned by the presidents of these institutions, the plan is to get the opinion of every faculty member and student in the United States on one of six propositions for treaty ratification.

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Of the propositions, two call for unqualified "yes" or "no" answers to the treaty as it stands. The third favors reservations advocated by the majority of the senate; and the fourth calls for immediate ratification, with a compromise if necessary. Two other propositions have been added at the suggestion of Senator Lodge and provide for a separate peace with Germany, and another stating specific reservations for the league of nations covenant.

The referendum tomorrow at Reed has been initiated by the Reed Quest and will be managed by a committee of the Social Science club. The opin-

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of the Social Science club. The opinions of the faculty and students will be taken separately, the results made known locally and then forwarded to the eastern headquarters.

CHURCH GETS EDUCATOR

TIONAL DIRECTOR.

Will Be Taken Over by Jefferson High Professor

Officials of Westminster Presby-terian church, East Seventeenth and Schuyler streets, yesterday announced the appointment of A. F. Bittner, head of the department of mathematics in



A. F. Bittner, who becomes institutional director of Westminster Presbyterian church.

Jefferson high school, to the position of institutional director of the church He will assume charge of his new du-ties in about two weeks, with the ending of the present school term. "The appointment of Mr. Bittner to the position of institutional director is the first step in Westminster's pro-gramme of expansion," said O. W. Davidson, chairman of a special com-mittee having in charge the campaign of the church to obtain \$58,000 with Cases at point were given by Mr. Easter to explain the apparent laxity of the existing laws. His records for this month show where a citizen of a central European country came to the United States in 1874, having lived here for 46 years before taking out even his first citizenship papers.

Another case showed where a native of Germany came to this country more than 20 years ago. This particular person completed his naturalization and became an American citizen. Later he moved to Canada and in order to procure government land in that country, he renounced his al-corpt and procured the superintendent and that country, he renounced his al-corpt and the superintendent and that country, he renounced his al-corpt and the superintendent and that country, he renounced his al-corpt and the superintendent and the country, he renounced his al-corpt and the superintendent and the country, he renounced his al-corpt and the superintendent and the country has allowed to the condition of the city. We feel exceptionally gratified at his active to explain the apparent laxity of the church of a special committee having in charge the campaign adian troops in Belgium in October, 1918. She then sought to annul her marriage to Lahey on the grounds that her first husband was alive at the first husband was alive at the time she married Lahey. She also presented her claim for a pension with the Canadian government and the superintendent. Because of his many years of activity at Westminster and his work in Irvington and adjacent communities. "He which to enlarge the campaign adian troops in Belgium in October, 1918. She then sought to annul her marriage to Lahey on the grounds that her first husband was alive at the time the first husband was alive at the time the first husband was alive at the first cultive, the fallen in a feel exceptionally gratified at his ac-ceptance of the important place."

Mr. Davidson also announced that

his committee will resume this week its campaign, which was brought to a sudden halt by the recent snow-storm. He said that more than \$28,000 had been obtained, with which to en-large the work of Westminster in Irvington and other nearby centers.
Mr. Bittner, who is a graduate of
the University of California, lives at 622 East Nineteenth street North. He has been associated with the Portland public schools for the past 10 years. the first two of hich he was instruc-for in mathematics in Lincoln high. strictions imposed upon those who desire to become citizens of this country. For seven years he was superintend-

ent of Westminster Sunday school. Woodburn Banks Elect.

KALAMA, Wash., Jan. 10 .- (Spe--The Mountain Timber company. the mill of which in this city burned several years ago, is preparing to put in a bulkhead along the water front of its property. It is planned to fill in all the low ground when the government dredge commences operation. As soon as this is completed the com pany expect to rebuild. With the Co lumbia shingle mill, the Kalama lum ber and shingle mill already running and the Barr shingle mill almos ready to run, Kalama is taxed be youd its limit'in its housing capacity.

GRAND ARMY MAN, HERE FOR 20 YEARS, DIES.



James I. Miller. James I. Miller passed away

Tuesday, January 6, at his home 2043 Delano street, in this city He was born August 6, 1841, at Solon, Ia., and served three years in the civil war with the 20th Iowa infantry, Company F. A widow and four children sur vive him—Mrs. A. J. Flood, Mrs. W. H. Heustis and James L. Miller, all of this city, and Charles H. Miller of Weed, Cal., all of whom were with him at his death. Mr. Miller had been a resident of this city for 20 years, coming here from Albany, Or., and was a member of Ben Butler post, G. A. R.

## STILL HAS HUSBAND

Marriage Annulment Again Denied by Judge Morrow.

**NEW EVIDENCE NOT TAKEN** 

Mystery of Soldier Deserter at Vanconver and Canadian Sergeant Killed in Belgium Intensified.

Efforts on the part of Mrs. Ger-trude-Lahey to induce Circui' Judge Morrow to reopen her marriage an-CHURCH GETS EDUCATOR

A. F. BITTNER TO BE INSTITU
TIONAL DIRECTOR.

Asperbal to reopen her marriage annulment suit against J. E. Lahey failed yesterday when the jurist denied her motion for a writ of review. Denial of the motion was made on the ground that the plaintiff had failed to exercise due diligence in uncarthing additional evidence. In presenting her motion Mrs. La-hey gave the court another bit of evihey gave the court another bit of evidence which serves to intensify the mystery concerning the death of Sergeant Robert G. White, a Canadian soldier killed in Belgium in October, 1918, according to the records of the Canadian 'ar department, but who, according to Mrs. Lahey, was killed in a powder-factory explosion in New York in April, 1918. Mrs. Lahey, who contends Robert White was her first husband, prior to her marriage to husband, prior to her marriage to Lahey, was receiving a pension from the Canadian government until Mrs. Alice White of Victoria, B. C., pre-sented her claim and proved herself to be the widow of Sergeant White.

New Evidence Not Admitted. The evidence presented to Judge Morrow beld that Mrs. Lebey had Morrow held that Mrs. Lahey been negligent in not procuring this bit of information at the time of the former hearing last November. The case, which revolves about the dead soldier, is one which has com-pletely mystified local court officials.

Both Mrs. Lahey and Mrs. Alice White of Victoria produced marriage certifi-cates showing their marriage to Robert J. White. Both likewise were well acquainted with his entire history and both produced photographs which were acknowledged to be of the dead

sergeant.
Judge Morrow yesterday expressed the belief that, in view of the new evidence showing Robert J. White to have been a deserter from the United States army, it was more than likely he was the Robert J. White killed in he powder plant explosion early in

Suit to Annul Marriage Brought. Mrs. Lakey brought suit to annul her marriage with J. E. Lakey on the grounds that her former husband, Robert J. White, was still alive at the time she married Lakey on June 6, 1918. She testified originally that she had received indirect word of her husband's death in the explosion and husband's death in the explosion and thereafter felt free to marry Lahey. Later she learned through press dis-patches that a Robert J. White had

branded Mrs. Gertrude Lahey as an impostor in her attempts to claim the pension due the widow of Sergeant Robert J. White.

Divorce Suit Only Remedy. With the filing of the additional evidence showing that Robert J. White was a deserter from the 21st United States infantry, Mrs. Lahey threw an additional element of doubt into the entire case. The war depart-ment photograph of the deserting soldier from Vancouver barracks is in every way similar to the preceding photographs which Mrs. Lahey gave to the court of her husband.

Judge Morrow said yesterday that
the only way in which Mrs. Lahey could now get her legal separation from J. E. Lahey was through the filing of direct divorce charges. Judge Morrow more than a year ago had granted an annulment of her marriage to Lahey, but on motion of the district attorney's office he re-opened the case and set aside the decree when it was shown that Mrs Lahey had failed to establish con-clusive proof that her first husband was dead when she married Lahey.

PASTOR INVITED

Church May Allow Acceptance Request to Lecture.

An invitation to go to Boston to de liver a series of lectures on "The Anglo-Saxon Race in Prophecy," has been received by Rev. R. H. Sawyer, pastor of the East Side Christian church. The honor of such an invitaion is appreciated by both Mr. Sawhat he will accept.

For some time Mr. Sawyer has been a contributor to the Watchman of Israel, a monthly magazine published in the interests of Anglo-Saxon unity and identity with Israel preliminary to the restoration of Israel and the return of Judah to Zion. The wide-spread interest among eastern read-ers of the magazine in this series has resulted in the invitation from Beauchamp, publisher of the

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tour. F. J. Meyer, secretary in charge of the meeting, also announces that the orchestra of Sunnyside Congregational church Christian Endeavor will of a central power plant. These imfurnish music. Singing will be led by Walter Jenkins. Seattle Man Is Elected.

elected to the directorate of the Rai-nier National Park company in Tacoma Friday, succeeding Frank Mc-Dermott, Seattle. This was the only hange made in the personnel of of-

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