

RURAL PHONE MEN PREPARE TO FIGHT

Try to Force Way Outside Through Newberg Company's Exchange.

(Special to The Journal.) Newberg, Or., May 3.—About a year ago the Chehalis Mutual Telephone company, a farmers' line, was granted a franchise to occupy some of the streets of Newberg. No effort has been made to do business in the town in the meantime, but of late there has been much work extending the lines out into the country, an office has been established here and a switchboard installed.

Recently a proposition was made to the Newberg Telephone company by the mutual to exchange business and for the Newberg company to grant to the new company long distance privileges through the Newberg exchange, and to allow the mutual 5 per cent on tolls collected.

The matter was considered at a meeting of the company Wednesday night and a letter was sent the mutual to the effect that as there was no profit in the long distance business, the Newberg company would have to reject the proposition in that regard, but that the company would be willing to confer with representatives of the mutual.

Yesterday the mutual announced its decision to proceed to do business in the town as well as in the outlying country and that it had made application to the railroad commission for long distance service through the Newberg company's exchange on the ground that the refusal of the company to grant the same is discriminatory and in violation of chapter 279, laws of Oregon governing public utilities.

BUENA VISTA FARMER DISAPPEARS; REWARD

(Special to The Journal.) Buena Vista, Or., May 3.—Believed to be mentally unbalanced and in a very nervous condition, Edward E. Elkin, a farmer of this place, and a member of the I. O. O. F. order here, left his home near Marion a few days ago. People in Polk county have been asked to keep watch for a man that answers the description of Elkin and report to his friends at Buena Vista and Independence. A reward of \$50 is offered for anyone who will locate him and hold him until his relatives can take him back home.

Elkins is about 5 feet 5 inches high, wears dark clothes, is of medium weight, wears an I. O. O. F. badge and gives the impression of being a man not afflicted with mental diseases.

Sweet Home News Notes.

Sweet Home, Or., May 3.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herley Bowser of this place, a baby boy, April 30.

The railroad surveyors of the Southern Pacific company are her running lines. They occupy the tents up by Nye's real estate office.

ART PIANOS ART IN PIANOS

Among the "knowing" there is a growing sentiment that, in selecting a piano for one's home, consideration should be given to the style of the instrument. Quality and durability are prime requisites as always of course; but these and a case design that is in harmony with the other furniture in the room, may be had at the same time.

The ruling influence in the room in which the piano is to go should be considered in deciding on the case of the piano. If the general style is after the cabinet makers of the time of Queen Ann, the piano case may share that style; if Chippendale rules, say in his heavy style, a correspondingly heavy case should be selected; while Sheraton or Hepplewhite with their light legs and straight lines, relieved by exquisite curves, require a piano in harmony.

When these things are not regarded, and a big heavy piano, full of curves and carving, is put into a dainty room, furnished with light, delicate furniture, it is certain that the eye is offended, no matter how much the ear may be pleased by the music from the instrument.

The Graves Music company is prepared to furnish you with a piano or player piano which will fit in the surroundings you wish to put it in, and that will please the sensitive ear. Please phone or call. Our representatives will take pleasure in discussing this matter with you, whether you intend to buy the piano now or in the future.

The Graves Music company removal sale now in progress offers Art pianos at the price of ordinary grades and styles \$101.25 in piano and player piano values, going at \$93.25.

WOMAN PAWNBROKER GIVES HER PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE



Miss Carrie Myers, who conducts the pawnbroking business of "Uncle" Myers, established by her father years ago.

By Fred Lockley.

On Sixth street, between Oak and Pine, you will see the sign "Uncle Myers, Pawnbroker." When you enter the pawnshop you will find that "Uncle" Myers is a woman. Her name is Carrie Myers.

My father started a pawnshop here in Portland in 1872, said Miss Myers. My mother has all the domestic virtues and the homemaking qualities of the old style orthodox Jewess. Upon the death of my father it was necessary for someone to take hold of the business. This was 24 years ago. When I was a young girl I took charge of his business until other arrangements could be made, and I have been here ever since.

"I know of no other occupation that is such a liberal education as that of a pawnbroker. I missed the chance of studying books, but I have certainly had an opportunity of studying many a human document. Tragedy and comedy follow each other in rapid succession. And without the pawnbroker must be discarded.

"In this filing cabinet are the records of transactions of many thousand people. Here is the card of a prominent society woman whose husband has no suspicion that the jewels he has given her are in my keeping.

"Without mentioning any names, I am going to show you some of the records of my transactions during the past few weeks.

"Recently a well dressed young man came in to borrow money on a gold watch and chain. Presently he returned to secure a loan on a ring. He told me that his father was a well to do banker in the east. His father gave him a ticket to Portland and \$100 and said, 'I want to see what kind of stuff you have in you. Go out west and see if you can make good. When I was your age I was making my own way.'

"My father forgets that I have never earned money in my life—that it was his money that sent me through college, that skill or knowledge by which I could earn money. He forgets also that he was a poor boy, and from the time he was 12 years old he had to make his own way. He wanted me to have an easier time and to secure what he always wanted—an education. Well, he gave me an easier time—he gave me an education, and with it he made me utterly helpless. I have written home to mother to get money, and until that comes I'll have to depend on you. If he had only put me to work when I was younger I wouldn't be in this kind of a fix now."

"A day or two ago a young man came in to secure a loan. He told me he had been reading the booklets sent out from our booster clubs about the wonderful opportunities in the west—that he had a family in the east, had thrown up a position and with a little over \$100 had come out here expecting to land a good job and send for his family. He had been here over two months and had been unable to secure any position, and he was pawning his watch to secure money to pay the fees of an employment agency to secure any kind of a job anywhere at any wages.

"Two years ago a working student came in. He was making his way through college. He slept in a doctor's office to save room rent. He wanted to borrow some money on an old-fashioned watch chain his father had given him. I loaned him \$10 on it. He later redeemed it. He owes me right now \$135 on that watch chain, which I couldn't sell for over \$20. I am loaning him the money to help him through college, and I am loaning it to him strictly on his character. During the two years that he has borrowed money of me constantly he has never once failed to keep his promise to me.

"Borrowing a Bad Habit. Borrowing usually is a matter of improvidence. People form the habit of borrowing, and it is a bad habit to get into. No less than 20 people pawned

Jew has preserved his racial identity and his racial characteristics. "The Jews, you know, do not appeal to outsiders for help. We help each other.

"Not only have I made a living here but I have managed our house and sent both of my sisters to Europe to be educated. One of them studied music four years. She died in Berlin. My younger sister brought her home to Portland to be buried. When my younger sister returned to Europe my mother went with her and they stayed there five years until she had completed her education in music. She is a fine violinist. She is married and lives in New York. She plays only for charity and never accepts compensation.

"I became the adviser of so many women and explained business transactions to so many foreigners that I saw there was a real necessity for a night school for the newly arrived adult Jewish emigrant. I organized a night school in connection with the Neighborhood House in April, 1906. Since that date I have had charge of this work. While at first I was the only teacher, I now have 12 assistants. We have enrolled 102 adult pupils, 52 being unable to understand English. We have enrolled over 700 since the night school was organized and I presume we have found employment for at least a half of our students.

"On the car the other day I met a young man who said, 'Do you remember me, Miss Myers?' I looked at him and said, 'No, I don't believe I do.' He said, 'Don't you remember the boy who came to you some years ago not knowing a word of English? Don't you remember how you helped and encouraged me? I now have \$2500 saved.'

"The Jewish emigrant usually is a hard working, ambitious, home loving citizen. You will find that most of them after a few years are doing well. After the hard conditions under which they have existed in Russia, the Jews flourish here under the favorable conditions just as does a tree that is taken away from a rocky, inhospitable soil and transplanted to a rich and fertile soil."

WOMAN FILES CHARGE AGAINST PATROLMAN

Charges of brutality and conduct unbecoming an officer were filed today in the city auditor's office against Patrolman Charles Baksey, the complainant being Ida W. Schellhorn. The complaint alleges that the patrolman, who, as "Strangler Smith" was formerly a familiar figure in the wrestling world, did without provocation maliciously and brutally assault one Babcock, causing him great pain and suffering. The assault, says the complaint, was committed April 2.

The woman, whose complaint was drafted formally by Deputy City Attorney F. L. Everson, says that the policeman's conduct in the neighborhood where complainant resides is generally domineering and brutal. She asks that he be discharged.

According to the story told to Deputy Everson, Baksey had a grudge of long standing against Babcock. He is said to have followed Babcock down a dark street and to have set upon him viciously, beating the man terribly. When a crowd gathered near the scene, it is said that Baksey drew a revolver and threatened to shoot some of the bystanders upon Babcock's plea for assistance in arresting Babcock. None of the crowd, from the reports, seems to have believed that the policeman needed any assistance.

When Babcock was tried in the municipal court, he was acquitted and a number of spectators arrested by Baksey for refusing to help in the arrest of Babcock were released by the municipal judge, who decided that it was unnecessary to give them a trial. Baksey will be heard by the police committee of the city executive board.

23 OREGON INSTITUTIONS GIVE TRAINING COURSES

(Special to The Journal.) Salem, Or., May 3.—Besides the high schools in Portland there are 21 high schools and two colleges in the state giving teachers' training courses, which entitle graduates to a one year state teacher's certificate. Assistant State School Superintendent E. F. Calkins left here today to visit these schools, which are located at Baker City, Merrill, Hood River, Ontario, Tillamook, Springfield, Brownsville, Klamath Falls, Forest Grove, College of Philomath, Junction City, Myrtle Point, Seio, Cottage Grove, South Brownsville, McCoy, Roseburg, Lebanon, Eugene, Corvallis, Seaside, McMinnville, Polytechnic College at Ashland and Portland.

SPRINGFIELD, OR., PAVING BRINGS A REMONSTRANCE

(Special to The Journal.) Springfield, Or., May 3.—Remonstrances against paving of Fourth and Fifth streets here are being circulated and will be presented to the city council Monday. The contract was let to Clark & Henery Construction company last Monday on a basis of \$11.50 a square Monday on a basis of \$11.50 a square for pavement consisting of a four yard concrete base with a 1 1/2 inch asphaltic surface. For a similar pavement the Montague-O'Reilly company of Portland bid \$12.23, but the council rejected the latter company's bid on the ground that the E. O. pavement, though bid by another company, had not proved satisfactory to Springfield.

RUPTURE IS CURABLE

Results Not Influenced by Age or Time Standing, Says Expert.

Rupture is not a tear or break in the abdominal wall, as commonly supposed, but is the stretching or dilating of a natural opening, therefore subject to closure, said F. H. Seeley, on a late visit to Portland. The Spermatic Shield-Truss closes the opening in 10 days on the average case, producing results without surgery or harmful injections. Mr. Seeley has documents from the government, Washington, D. C., for inspection. Anyone interested will be shown the truss of fitted if desired. Sold and fitted only by Laue-Davis Drug Co., sole and exclusive agents for Oregon. Other firms advertising and selling imitation "Seeley" Spermatic Shield Trusses are impostors. Look for the word "patented" on each Spermatic corrugated shield.

TWO ITALIAN STATUARY MASTERPIECES ARE PRESENTED TO THE LOCAL Y. W. C. A.



Handsomeness, gifts to Y. W. C. A., from Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett and Mrs. Fred Pratt.

The Young Woman's Christian association was last week made the recipient of two superb pieces of Italian statuary. One is a bust in Carrara marble by Allegretti, showing a sweetly pensive face, the head draped in a lace scarf. The other piece is a full figure of a girl, "Self Help," the subject being engaged in braiding her hair while reading a book which lies on her knee. The expression is one of studious concentration and so beautiful is the entire composition of the study that one almost feels the suppleness of the flesh. A number of years ago Mrs. Helen Ladd Corbett gave her mother, Mme. Ladd, the full figure statue and at the same time another daughter, Mrs. Fred Pratt, gave her mother the bust. According to an expressed desire of Mme. Ladd all gifts reverted to the sisters at the time of her death. This was true of two lovely Italian marbles. Both Mrs. Corbett and Mrs. Pratt have long been interested in the work of the Y. W. C. A., the former having in years past served on the board, so they conceived the idea of giving to the association these objects of art.

GRAND JURY SCORES ROCKPILE MEAT HOUSE

The grand jury yesterday in its final report to Circuit Judge Davis characterized the meathouse and kitchen of the Kelly Butte rockpile as filthy and declared that the meat block was most unsanitary and unfit for use. The ventilation in the county jail in the courthouse was said to be bad and changes were recommended. Other institutions were declared to be in good shape. The jury recommended that tobacco be furnished the prisoners who smoke or chew.

CHRISTINE NELSON VERY ILL AFTER OPERATION

(United Press Leased Wire.) Denver, Colo., May 3.—Following a minor operation performed on her after she had fainted three times during the Thursday night performance of "Hinky Panky," the musical comedy, now playing here, Christine Nelson, the comic opera actress, is in a critical condition at a Denver hospital today. She was unable to sing her role last night. Miss Nelson comes from Oakland, Cal., where she started her operatic career. Experiments with forcing vegetable growth by electric lights have shown that flaming arc lamps produce the best results, as they give off carbonic acid gas, a natural plant food.

Advertisement for Ben Selling, a leading clothier. The ad features a large illustration of a woman in a long, flowing dress and hat, standing next to a small dog. The text reads: 'LADIES who are looking for Spring apparel-- should by all means see the beautiful display of new Suits, Coats and Dresses in our Ladies' Garment section, occupying the entire third floor. The greatest effort has been expended on this showing, and it is by far the best selection of styles and fabrics that we have ever shown. It is made up of the best models from a number of well known makers, rather than a large purchase, which included all the garments which some one manufacturer had on hand. These garments have a style and a quality that is pleasing to all women of good taste; their smart appearance and fine tailoring insure lasting satisfaction to the wearers. Hand Tailored Suits including every size for misses and ladies-- \$19.50 to \$65.00. Afternoon and Street Coats in the newest and most unusual models-- \$15.00 to \$30.00. Fine Wool Dresses Plain tailored and semi-fancy models, \$7.85 to \$29.85. Our Alteration department will give a prompt fitting, with delivery at the hour promised. Ben Selling LEADING CLOTHIER, Morrison Street, at Fourth.'