

YOUNG MARRIED MAN IS ALLEGED FORGER OF SEVERAL CHECKS

Detectives Claim He Has Passed Spurious Paper as Business During Recent Months.

Virgil Myers, 23 years old, was a systematic, business like forger, operatives of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency declare. For more than a year they sought him, but he worked under their noses and made clean getaways, they say.

But because it is alleged, he tendered a forged check to a department store for a bill owed by a brother-in-law, he landed in jail Sunday night. Detectives took the address on the brother-in-law's bill after they discovered his check to be false, and they found Myers.

Myers passed about 75 checks, ranging in size from \$10 to \$97.50, and totaling nearly \$3000, according to Burns operatives.

He generally entered a store disguised as a laborer, it is said. Names for his forged checks evidently came from the city directory, as the stream for a while would show names beginning with "Mc," and then jump to the "Ts" and other initials, in turn.

Operatives say Myers confessed late Monday afternoon after maintaining silence since his arrest.

Myers has a wife and three children. His wife is alleged to have told detectives she was suspicious about her husband's ready supply of money, but that whenever she questioned him he flew into a rage.

He recently operated a pool hall at Twenty-fourth and Nicolai streets, but aside from this has not worked since February, 1919, according to his statements. He was arrested at his home in Gilliam by Police Inspectors Phillips and Thackberry.

2 Robbery Suspects Not Yet Identified

Everett McDonald and Ben Pearlman, both 19, were held in jail Monday for investigation following arrest at Tenth and Yamhill streets Sunday night by Patrolmen Craig and Watta. Pearlman carried a gun. Lieutenant of Inspectors Golts believes these men committed

FAY KING PREDICTS GAY DAYS WHEN MUSIC 'SUBS' FOR WHISKEY



By Fay King
Miss King is a Portland girl, whose first newspaper work was published in the Journal several years ago. She now is located in New York.

A Russian pianist rises to remark that music will take the place of whiskey!

Sounds pretty strong, but I guess when the composers become the bartenders they'll figure whiskey the "key" of drink!

It's certainly going to be funny to see a couple rum-hounds order up Scotch and get bag-piped instead of pie-eyed! And can you get a mental picture of a citizen being pepped on the bean with a cop's night stick and thrown into a straight jacket for disturbing the peace when he was only whistling the latest jazz?

I suppose quarter and half notes will be known as short drinks, and full stops as "tall quaff." Songs like "You're a Million Miles From Nowhere When You're One Little Mile From Home" will be in a class with a crying jag, and the Boogie Blues will be a stagger home!

Some of the classics where they "rip open" a piano will be like a mean drunk. All they'll need for a

swell clubhouse is a grand piano, and I guess the upright will be in a class with the corner saloon.

And what a "they" they going to do about the minor. A major of musical malt! Anyhow, minors and men in uniform might lean on the musical "bars"!

Will cellars give way to flats? Will waiters and lullabys be "soft drinks"?

When we hear a guy say that he's had a great time the night before we'll take it he means something in forte-forte. A rounder will be a bird that can carry any tune!

Of course it won't be long before the reformers will get after the "scale" of liquor, and they'll start shutting down on the composers and music publishers like they did the breweries, and all the piano-players, like the bartenders, will be out of a job. Then we'll have to put a phonograph in the cellar and play rare old records like "When the (high) Ball Was Over!"

Anyway, I bet that Russian guy got the idea of music taking the place of whiskey from the kick in "How Dry I Am!"

GIRL ATTIRED IN GARB OF BUSBOY WINS AND LOSES LOVE OF MAID

Maid Was Waitress and She Was So Angry She Turned False Girl Over to Police.

St. Louis, Jan. 12.—(L. N. S.)—After four months of successful hobnobbing as a gay "knight of the road" and experiences which, she says, will make Jack London's adventures look like nursery play, Miss Ellen Vallery, 21, claiming as her address 123 McKinney street, Youngstown, Ohio, ran into a snag in the shape of the law and today is preparing to resume her girlish frills.

Haled into police court on a charge of masquerading in male attire, Miss Vallery was fined \$10 and ordered to clear out of St. Louis. With her she is taking a great bulk of material for a book which she said she is going to write in the interest of woman suffrage.

Miss Vallery said that since she left home she had beaten her way to Chicago, Kansas City, Denver, Omaha, Los Angeles and to St. Louis.

The palpitating heart of a waitress in a restaurant where Miss Vallery, dressed in a dapper pinchback suit, checked cap and smart men's shoes, had obtained work as a busboy, proved her Waterloo. The waitress made a leap year proposal to the new busboy. Police were notified by the enraged waitress when Miss Vallery gave her reason for refusing.

New School Location In Milton-Freewater District Is Sought

Milton, Jan. 12.—Directors of the Milton-Freewater school district are considering the building of a new high school in some central place for Milton, Freewater, Umapine, Ferndale, Fruitvale, Pleasant View, Tum-A-Lum, East Side, Dry Creek, DelHaven, The Forks and Couze Creek. The question will probably be brought to a vote in the districts affected. The assessed valuation of the property in the districts is \$6,624,900. The initial cost of building will be \$150,000. A tax levy of 2.2 mills will be necessary.

many recent robberies. Persons recently robbed will be asked to identify the pair.

Klamath Falls Home Destroyed by Blaze

Klamath Falls, Jan. 12.—The home of W. E. Perkins, proprietor of the Perfection Dairy of this city, was destroyed by fire Saturday. Owing to lack of pressure, the fire department was unable to prevent flames from spreading to the bottling plant and storage room connected with the dairy and even the dairy barn was in serious danger for a while. Two years ago Perkins' entire dairy plant was burned.

Oregon Prunes Sell At 50 Cents for 4 In Eastern Hotels

Roseburg, Jan. 12.—Mrs. Charles Hamilton, wife of a local attorney, who recently returned from a trip to Southern cities, tells the following story about prunes in Virginia: "I was visiting with my uncle and we were stopping at a prominent resort where the menu of grapefruit became tiresome every morning and I asked for Oregon prunes. The prunes came on, four on a plate. The bill was 50 cents for those four Oregon prunes."

HOOVER AND WOOD FAVORITES IN STRAW VOTE OF GOVERNORS

Officials En Route to Washington to Demand War Reclamation Work Be Finished.

Chicago, Jan. 12.—(L. N. S.)—Far Western Republicans are going strong for General Leonard Wood, and the Democrats of that region are getting together for Herbert Hoover as White House candidates, according to four governors, two lieutenant-governors and a large political party who passed through Chicago Monday en route to Washington to demand the completion of \$250,000,000 worth of reclamation work started before the war.

In the party were Governor Samuel Bamberger of Utah, a Democrat; Governor Davis of Idaho, Republican; Governor Campbell of Arizona, Republican; Governor Larazo, New Mexico, Republican; Lieutenant Governor Stephen of Colorado, Republican, and Lieutenant Governor McDowell of Montana.

"The West is all for Hoover," said Governor Bamberger. "Bryan has a lot of friends, too."

"If the primaries were held now, Wood would carry easily," said Governor Campbell of Arizona. "The old Rough Riders are behind him."

Geology Students Form New Club at State University

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 12.—A new club, called the Condon club, has been formed by geology students, in honor of the pioneer geologist of Oregon and former professor in the university, Dr. Thomas Condon. The purposes are to contribute to the professional education and advancement of the members and to cooperate with the department of geology in maintaining high professional standards in undergraduate work.

Lewis A. Bond, graduate and honor student, was elected president; Hubert G. Schenck, assistant to Dr. Warren D. Smith, vice president; Rachael Hubbard, one of the two women in the club, secretary and treasurer. Other members of the club are Merrill D. Ely, Portland; Newton J. Estes, Eugene; Claire P. Holdredge, Victor P. Husband, Eugene; and Mary Packwood, Portland.

Honorary members are: Mrs. Ellen Condon McCormack, daughter of the late Dr. Condon and author of several geological books; Dr. Graham John Mitchell, former professor of geology; Chester W. Washburne, Henry Howe and Richard Nelson.

The club plans to affiliate with two national geological societies of a similar nature, including the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers.

Draper Club Fund of \$400 to Be Used for Library at Dayton

Dayton, Wash., Jan. 12.—The Draper club, which raised \$400 for establishing a reading and rest room for Dayton, has decided to make this sum a nucleus for a permanent library fund.

William Stroud, aged 79 years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Snider, Thursday. He had long been a resident of this section and followed farming in the early days.

Social Welfare Meet Slated for Seattle

Seattle, Jan. 12.—A state conference for social welfare will be held here January 14 to 17. Action in relation to child welfare, health, rural social development and industrial economic problems will be discussed. Among the speakers will be Prof. Norman Coleman, president of the League of Nations and Lumbermen, and Earl Kilpatrick, Northwest Red Cross manager.

Students at O. A. C. Favor Ratification

Corvallis, Jan. 12.—Ratification without amendments or reservations was the choice of 265 of the 758 Oregon Agricultural college students who expressed their choice in the League of Nations referendum. The compromise measure containing war-making reservations was second with 178 votes, while the senate reservation measure, with 133 votes, was third choice. Only 27 students voted as being opposed to ratification in any form.

Liquor Dealers Lose

Washington, Jan. 12.—(U. P.)—Hope of delaying the inaugural of constitutional prohibition vanished Monday when the supreme court denied the application of the New Jersey Retail Liquor Dealers' association to institute proceedings in the high tribunal that would test the validity of the eighteenth amendment and the Volstead law enforcing it.

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Girl Seeking Birth Certificate, as Aid In Gaining Passport

Baker, Jan. 12.—Miss Helen Case of Tonopah, Nev., is looking for someone in Baker who saw her when she was less than a week old, in an effort to locate her birth certificate, that she may secure a passport. She writes she was born here, a daughter of Captain and Mrs. Case, February 19, 1900. The physician, whom she names as having probably been in attendance, knows nothing of the case. The girl's father was a civil engineer in Baker at one time, and an aunt was a teacher in the local school.

Although organized but a week, the Eagle Valley American Legion post is planning the erection of a hall. Jack High was elected chairman, Alfred Barber, assistant chairman; Francis Herr, adjutant, and Edwin Blue, treasurer.

Miss Ella Woodworth, aged 52 years and a resident of Baker county for 50 years, died at her home near Pocatonton, six miles west of Baker, Friday.

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