



SALEM HEADS COMPLETES HIS TREMBLING CONTRACTS

WEST HAS COMMENCED SLAUGHTER OF OLD NOMINEES.

Applegate and Plomondon said to be only a Beginner of It.

Salem, Or., Jan. 12 (Spl.)—When Gov. Oswald West announced the appointment of T. A. Rinehart of La Grande to succeed Peter Applegate as state land agent, the governor commenced a general slaughter it is said.

The appointment is one of the best that the governor has to offer as there is no great amount of labor connected with the office and it carries a salary of \$1800 a year.

It is said that the official head of Applegate and Plomondon are not the only ones that will be dropped into the basket and a number of other heads of departments are awaiting in apprehension for the executive hand to be felt. The Governor had previously announced that he would make no changes until after the session of the legislature was over but he has apparently changed his mind and it was rumored today that other changes were soon to follow. Just what offices will be hit is not known but other announcements of changes are expected to follow as soon as the governor returns from Portland.

Rinehart's Job in Danger.
A movement, it was rumored today, would be started to get a law through the present legislature to abolish the office of state land agent. This was strongly recommended by Jay Bowerman in his last message to the legislature, and it may be that his suggestion will be carried out. If this is done the affairs of the state land agent will be placed under the desert land board.

Plomondon Loses Head.
Dr. J. C. Plomondon, appointed by Acting Governor Jay Bowerman, superintendent of the eastern Oregon branch asylum yet to be built at Pendleton was yesterday afternoon removed from office by Governor Oswald West and State Treasurer T. B. Kay, the new members of the board governing the state institutions.

Dr. Plomondon was notified of the intended action of the board soon after Governor West was inaugurated last Tuesday. It was conveyed to him from the governor through State Senator C. A. Barrett of Umatilla, his father-in-law, that his resignation would be accepted. Dr. Plomondon, however, answered by stating he would resign if he were assured by the board of a place on the staff of the new institution when that staff is selected by the board. This neither State Treasurer Kay nor Governor West would promise and the action taken by the board yesterday afternoon followed.

A copy of the resolution removing Dr. Plomondon of Athena and giving the reasons of the board for his removal follows:

"Whereas: It would appear from the records that position of superintendent of the Eastern Oregon Branch asylum has been filled by the appointment of Dr. J. C. Plomondon, and

"Whereas, it would appear that at the present time the state has a competent and efficient staff, thoroughly familiar and acquainted with needs and requirements of insane hospitals, which are willing to assist and advise the board without extra expense to the state in all matters pertaining to the plans and procedure necessary in the construction of said branch asylum and preliminary to its active operation and,

"Whereas, it would appear that there are no duties the performance of which at this time requires the services of a superintendent.

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the said Dr. J. C. Plomondon be removed from said position as superintendent of the eastern Oregon branch asylum, and that said office be left vacant until further orders of this board.

"Dated this 12th day of January, 1911.

(Signed) "OSWALD WEST,
"Governor.
"T. B. KAY,
"Satte Treasurer."

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HAS LAID FLOOR AND ROOFING ON NEW SHOPS.

Immediately Called to Frisco to Take Big Honolulu Contract.

With his contracts on the new \$160,000 machine shops completed, W. E. Brent, contractor for A. K. Goodmundson & Co. of Portland, San Francisco and Oakland, is packing his tools today and leaves tonight for San Francisco from where he goes direct to Honolulu on a big contract. Mr. Brent has overseen the laying of the floor in the machine shops—a piece of engineering of no small importance for the big Mallet engines require great strength under them. Then too, he has supervised the construction of the roofing which has also been completed now. Mr. Brent made his headquarters at the Foley while here and made many friends by his genial disposition.

The contract which is to be assumed in Honolulu is said to be an unusually large one, indicating the company's faith in Mr. Brent.

SURPLUS TOPS THE \$100,000 MARK

LA GRANDE NATIONAL BANK ADDS \$20,000 TO THAT FUND

Directorate is Composed of Seven Members—Bank in Fine Shape.

Increasing the surplus fund from \$80,000 to \$100,000 was one of the interesting points of the directors and stockholders meeting of the La Grande National Bank. During the past year this fund has grown to the proportion named which is further assurance of the stable strength of the old institution.

The board of directors chosen at the meeting carries the following personnel: George Palmer, W. J. Church, F. J. Holmes, F. L. Meyers, W. M. Pierce, C. C. Pehington, G. L. Cleaver.

Mr. W. L. Brenholtz, who has removed to California, vacated the office of first assistant cashier and Earl Zundel, who was also an assistant to the cashier, was elected to fill the Brenholtz position, which is now the only office of that nature in the institution.

General satisfaction prevailed at the bank's progress during the year.

AGED COUPLE MURDERED

Believed to Have Been Killed for Purpose of Obtaining Money.

Independence, Kas., Jan. 13—John Walker and Mary Walker, a sister, both aged, were found dead today in the ruins of their home near this city. It is believed they were murdered and robbed as it is known they kept money at the house. The bodies were partially cremated, indications were the house had been fired to hide the crime. Barns and other buildings about the place were burned but the horses had been turned loose.

Electrician Gets Shock

Casey Gust, an electrician employed by the Oregon Light and Power company, while doing some wiring in the McConnell basement at the corner of Adams and Jefferson streets, came in contact with the "juice" and was knocked down, and the force of the fall rendered him unconscious for a time. Mr. Gust recovered sufficiently to be back on the job this afternoon.

PARKER ARGUMENTS JAN. 17

Court Will Hear Arguments Regarding a New Trial that Date.

According to a motion granted by Judge Knowles today, the hearing for a retrial of Jess Parker the man accused and found guilty of murdering his father-in-law at Elgin, will be brought to a focus January 17.

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A. L. RICHARDSON—Physician and surgeon. Office Hours: 2 to 5 p. m. except Sunday. Sunday by appointments. Telephones: Office, Black 1362; Ind. 353; residence, Main 55; Ind. 312.

GEO. W. ZIMMERMAN—Osteopath Physician. Sommer Bldg., Rooms 7, 8, 9 and 10. Phones: Home 1332, Pacific, Main 63, Residence phone, Black 951. Successor to Dr. C. E. Moore.

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