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Athena, Oregon.

A STRONG TICKET

DR. PLAMONDON NOMINATED
TO OFFICE OF MAYOR.

M. L. Watts, A. B. McEwen, T. J. Kirk, C. A. Barrett, Councilmen;
Chamberlain, Rec. Kemp, Treas.

At the mass meeting Saturday night Dr. J. D. Plamondon was nominated to office of mayor and now heads an exceptionally strong municipal ticket. M. L. Watts, A. B. McEwen, T. J. Kirk and C. A. Barrett are the nominees for councilmen; O. G. Chamberlain, present incumbent, for recorder, and I. M. Kemp for treasurer.

The meeting was strictly on the "square deal" order, and harmonious throughout. Mayor Taylor was elected chairman and O. G. Chamberlain secretary of the meeting.

Mayor Taylor was placed in nomination for mayor by Frank Mansfield, and in a neat little speech, M. L. Watts nominated Dr. J. D. Plamondon. Henry Barrett and M. L. Watts acted as tellers, and when the ballots were counted, Dr. Plamondon received 35 votes and Mayor Taylor 15.

M. L. Watts was the first to be placed in nomination for councilman. Then David Taylor was nominated, but declined. A. B. McEwen, C. A. Barrett, Wm. Tompkins, York Dell and T. J. Kirk were placed before the convention in the order named.

The balloting proceeded after it was decided those receiving the highest number of votes cast should be declared the choice of the convention.

The result was: M. L. Watts, 35; A. B. McEwen, 42; C. A. Barrett, 31; William Tompkins, 27; York Dell 25; T. J. Kirk, 37.

O. G. Chamberlain was the unanimous choice of the convention for recorder. David Williams, present incumbent, was nominated for city treasurer, and the nomination of I. M. Kemp followed. Mr. Williams' name was withdrawn and on motion, Mr. Kemp was declared to be the unanimous choice for city treasurer.

The matter of nominating three water commissioners was discussed. In the notice published announcing the call of the mass meeting, announcement was made that three water commissioners would be nominated. In the order of nominations, the clause in the new charter authorizing the commission was read. It developed that an appointment of the water commissioners lay with the council in the first instance; that the

appointments shall be made on the 5th day of April, 1905, or as soon thereafter as practicable. Inasmuch as the city council had not found it practicable to appoint the commission no vacancy had occurred, and before nominations for election of commissioners could be made the council, to keep within the letter and meaning of the city charter, must make the appointments as provided therein. This was the sentiment of the convention, and it was so voted when the question was put by Chairman Taylor.

MULTNOMAH FALLS.

Public Lands Along Columbia With-
drawn From Entry.

Multnomah falls and the lands immediately surrounding them are to have the protection afforded by the forest reservation laws and regulations. The commissioner of the federal land office has instructed the register and receiver of the Portland land office to withdraw from all forms of entry, excepting mineral, 500 acres along the Columbia river, 30 miles east of Portland, including Multnomah falls. The subdivisions thus withdrawn, and which will be created into a forest reservation, are all of the fractional section 7 and north half of section 18, township 1 north, range 6 east.

The creation of this forest reserve will enable the government to place a custodian in charge of the falls and the surrounding scenery, and reserve these natural beauties from despoilation.

The commissioner of the general land office has also ordered withdrawn from all forms of entry, excepting mineral, 89,600 acres west of Mount Rainier reserve, near Olympia, to be added to the Rainier forest reserve.

GEORGE W. BRADLEY FOR COUNTY TREASURER

George W. Bradley, of this city, in today's Press announces his candidacy for the office of county treasurer, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election.

Mr. Bradley is well known to the people of Umatilla county. For years he has been agent in Athena for the Puget Sound Warehouse Co. Prior to coming to Athena Mr. Bradley held an agency at Pendleton, in which place he is also well known.

T. G. Montgomery, general agent for the Puget Sound Warehouse company, was in the city Friday, and checked up the business of the company here. Mr. Bradley's resignation goes into effect immediately. His successor has not been appointed.

TRYING TO SHIFT BLAME.

Opening Statement of Defense Indicates
Purpose to Incriminate Funk.

In the Davis trial yesterday morning the attorneys for the defense began upon the presentation of their side, and their opening volley showed a change of front upon their part, says the East Oregonian. Instead of demolishing the experts' report as Colonel Raley said in his opening statement would be done, their start yesterday morning indicated that they will now try to cast the burden of the blame upon another.

Deputy A. C. Funk, bookkeeper, and now serving as head deputy in the office, is the person singled out for this purpose, and in a characteristic speech this morning Judge Fee, by direct statements and insinuations, sought to blame him for the heavy crime with which his client is charged.

Judge Fee exhibited the books which Funk kept for Platzoeder & Minger and asked if it was the set of books he kept. He received an affirmative answer.

Judge Fee then asked to admit the Platzoeder books in evidence. Mr. Phelps immediately objected that the books had nothing whatever to do with the shortage in the sheriff's office.

This provoked a very heated discussion on the part of Judge Fee, who thundered forth:

"We beg to submit these books to show that this man was in the sheriff's office about the time that the alterations appeared upon the records. We submit them to show that the system that has been pursued on these books that this man kept is the same as kept in the books under Blakley's administration. We beg to show a shortage in Platzoeder's books from his record. We will show from his own books that he did not have \$1200 when he said he did. That he only had \$400 in gold and the rest in checks. I will show that the system kept for Platzoeder corresponds with the books kept in the sheriff's office."

"I will make it so evident to the jury that the will have to say that Funk is the man who made the shortage."

"And I say that we can show by the figures in the Platzoeder books that it is this man Funk who made the figures on the books in the sheriff's office that he and Taylor says were made by Davis."

"If he falsified one set and made a

shortage in one set of books, this jury is entitled to know it, for this shows a design and a system by an employe of the office.

"I charge that this man Funk made deliberate, intelligent and false entries on these books and I will make it good."

"If the court please," said Mr. Phelps, "this is about three times that they were going to make good."

"Well, we will make good," said Fee.

District Attorney Phelps then spoke against the admission of the books, saying that he was willing that Mr. Funk should be cross examined concerning the \$1200 transaction, but that the books were not admissible in evidence in the case.

The court ruled, "I think these books are not competent and material except to show the handwriting. I will sustain the objection."

"May it please the court," said Fee, "I offered to show this book because it shows a system and alterations similar to those on Blakley's books. It shows changed and altered figures and amounts, altered items and other figures inserted."

"I will withdraw my objection and let them put the books in," said Mr. Phelps.

Maccabee Carnival.

The second fraternal carnival of the Knights of the Maccabees was formally opened Friday night in Armory hall, Walla Walla, when Miss Zona Corn was crowned as queen to reign over the festivities for one week. The coronation ceremonies were witnessed by fully 2,500 people, who good naturedly jostled each other in an effort to gain the most favorable position from which to get a good view of the coronation.

BOYS SQUARE UP WITH THE OLD CHINAMAN

The boys who smashed windows by throwing rocks at the house occupied by Charley, the Chinaman, have been apprehended by Marshal Gholson.

The matter has been settled out of court satisfactorily to authorities and all concerned. The boys acknowledged to the marshal the wrong they had committed and adjusted the case by paying for the damage done.

When it was seen that the boys were disposed to do what was fair, and in consideration of their parents, Marshal Gholson says he felt disposed for this time not to press the case against them.

BEAN'S EYES ARE WEAK.

Umatilla Sheepmen Apply to Court for
Official Removal.

The Umatilla Woolgrowers' association held an interesting meeting Saturday at Pendleton. The question of the establishment of dipping vats at Meacham or Kamela was discussed. C. J. Mills, live stock agent for the O. R. & N., was present, with Drs. Hutchinson, Lantz and Lytle federal inspectors. In the afternoon about 30 of the members waited upon Judge H. J. Bean and through their secretary Mr. Smythe, presented charges against Stock Inspector John E. Bean and asked for his removal. They charge incompetency on the part of the inspector alleging that his eyesight is such that it is impossible for him to detect scab should it exist in their flocks and that he has been negligent in visiting the flocks and making the proper inspection. As a consequence the disease is increasing in Umatilla county. Mr. Rugg, of Rugg Bros., stated that no inspection of his flock had been made for two years and that during that time he had received his certificates from the inspector by mail.

Inspector Bean denied that such was the case and stated that he had paid several visits to the various flocks in his district, except in localities where he had a deputy to look after the work. The court asked if there were any specific cases where scab was known to exist and no attention paid to the matter by the inspector.

But among those present none were able to make specific charges. This, it is thought, will have to be shown before the association will be able to secure Mr. Bean's removal. The name of Alonzo Knotts was presented as the choice of the convention for stock inspector in place of Mr. Bean.

That the county court has decided upon the removal of Bean was announced by Commissioner Gilliland at the sheepmen's meeting Saturday evening. The news was appreciated by a score or more of representative sheepmen present, for they were a unit in asking that such action be taken.

For Sale.

The desirable piece of real estate on Main street known as the Carden property is now offered for sale. For price, apply to Charles Norris, Athena, Oregon.

Edwate Four Bowets With Cascares. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 6c. 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists return money.

WOMAN IS INSANE

VICTIM OF STRANGE RELIGIOUS
SECT IN WALLA WALLA.

Mother of Three Ill-fed Children was
Found Surrounded by Follow-
ers of New Creed.

Ill and weak, her mind distorted by the teachings of the strange creed of the saints of the "Church of the Living God," a new religious sect which has gained a foothold in Walla Walla, Mrs. Mary Berg, a widow and mother of three ill-fed and ill-clothed children, was declared insane in the superior court Saturday morning and ordered committed to the hospital for the insane at Medical Lake by Judge Brents, says the Statesman.

The three children, fatherless, and now practically motherless, will become charges on the county until some suitable and comfortable home can be found for them that they may be educated and become useful citizens.

Mrs. Berg was found at her little home in Hawthorn avenue, in the eastern part of the city, by sheriff Painter last night, ill and in a sadly dejected condition. Surrounding her were J. C. Taylor, an expounder of the strange creed, and several of his followers. Mrs. Berg in her delirium was alternately casting out devils and praying for salvation and her ravings were being responded to by "amens," and religious quotations by Taylor and several of his followers. Sheriff Painter bundled the woman into a hack and brought her to the county jail, where she spent a comparatively comfortable night. Dr. C. B. Stewart, county health physician, gave her medical attention. This morning when brought into court Mrs. Berg refused to answer questions put to her by the examining board, composed of Dr. Y. C. Blalock and Dr. Stewart. The woman was plainly insane and Judge Brents ordered her committed to the asylum. Taylor, with his strange creed, came in for a round roast, and there was some intimation that he was in a way responsible for the woman being in her present condition and should be prosecuted.

The new sect that Taylor represents is similar to the religious creed of the "Holy Rollers," who attracted much attention in Oregon a year or so ago. Taylor has interested a number of people in the southern part of the city in his new belief and meetings have been held frequently in a tent on South Division street. The meetings are characterized by his followers working themselves up to a frenzy to the detriment of the peace and comfort of neighbors at night.

CHAFING AT DELAY.

Slowness in Awarding Contract by O. R. & N. Causing Much Conjecture.

An Elgin dispatch says as there has been no contract given out by the O. R. & N. Co. for the Wallowa extension beyond the junction of the Wallowa river, the people of that valley are wondering what is causing the delay, as the contract was to have been awarded on January 5.

Contractor McCabe, who has the contract of the work from Elgin to the mouth of the Wallowa, was a bidder for the remaining portion, and he has received no word in regard to the bids submitted, has not been advised of the cause of the delay, and knows of no reason thereof. The belief prevails in some sections of Wallowa that as soon as the O. R. & N. finds that it has the Cook proposition safely eliminated the company will take its own time in reaching Wallowa. On the other hand it is represented that there is no special hurry; the weather conditions have been such and the engineering work is in such shape that no active operation could go on for several weeks. There has been official assurance time and again that the Elgin branch would be extended to Joseph during the present year. More than \$1,000,000 has been appropriated for the purpose and 17 miles of the grade through a difficult section of the route has been practically completed.

Walla Walla Caledonians.

The celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Burns by the Walla Walla Caledonian society was a success in every particular. Several attended from here. Those from this city who participated in the program were Will M. Peterson, who delivered an address; Mrs. J. D. Plamondon instrumental selections, and Mr. Joseph Scott, vocal solos.

Cash for Shoeing.

Hereafter at our shops horse shoeing will be done for cash only.

O. G. Beck,
W. S. Buel.