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has consigned to us, for one day only, their entire stock of fur samples, amounting in value to over \$20,000.00, and we will conduct a "Xmas" fur sale at extremely low prices. At these prices you will save at least 1-3 to 1-2 by buying now.

## This Sale Is For One Day Only WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

Furs at the prices quoted at this sale are not a luxury but an investment. Take advantage of the bargains offered at this sale. Come and be convinced, seeing is believing.

At the close of each traveling season this mammoth fur manufacturing company has on hand an enormous amount of samples, consisting of fur sets, muffs and coats, of all the latest styles, novelties and creations made from Ermine, Bulgarian Lynx, White Siberian Fox, Russian Fitch, Blended River Mink, Black Lynx and Wolf, Hudson Seal, Brilliant Seal, Patagonian Fox, Leopard, Kolinsky, Chinchilla, Australian Opossum, Civit Cat, Red Fox, Natural Opossum, Sitka Mink, Vienna, Jap Mink, German Martin, Pointed Fox, Beaver, Black Pony, Marmot, Blue Flying Fox.

It is fortunate for us and the people of La Grande and vicinity, that this store was able to arrange for a sale of this kind, as the N. K. West store will be able to sell furs during this sale at from one-third less than their real value; besides being able to furnish furs in a great variety and quantity as one could find in the larger cities. Really, it will do your heart good to see this great extraordinary exhibit, whether you are in need of furs or not. Mr. S. J. Foster, a special representative of this company, will be here to assist in arranging and conducting this sale.

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### THE OBSERVER

BRUCE DENNIS, Editor and Owner.

#### WHAT?

Last night Ralph Williams, national committeeman for Oregon of the

Republican party, passed through La Grande on his way east to attend a meeting of the committee at which meeting arrangements are to be made for the calling of a national convention.

Mr. Williams said without reservation that the next Republican national convention would nominate a candi-

date for president entirely acceptable to the Progressives of the nation, including Col. Roosevelt. He was positive in this and yielded to a request that we quote him on it.

How different, if true, from the attitude of the Republican national committee in 1912 when it took several days for the national committee to devise ways and means whereby it could take the nomination away from Roosevelt.

And we will guess that at the next convention there will be no turning down the implicit instructions of the people; that delegates chosen by the direct primary system will have uncontested seats in that convention; that the speeches made by Barnes and Penrose and their kind will not bristle with fight, but will be as calm as a spring morning.

The lesson may have been a severe one but it apparently has done some good.

#### PENDLETON'S ELECTION

No town west of the Mississippi is like Pendleton. She has a distinctive swing all her own.

Yesterday we happened to be in Pendleton during the city election at which time Johnnie Montgomery and Dr. Best were contesting for the mayorship, and it was a heated event.

Tammany never had a better organization that each of these candidates had. Every citizen was card indexed. Emergency calls were numerous when it was found that some one had taken sick and needed medical aid so he could go to the polls. Young girls who had just reached the voting age were carefully considered not by the old weather beaten war horses in city politics, but young gallants were detailed to see to the every want of the ladies, showing remarkable head work on the part of the organizers.

By nine o'clock in the morning the election was in full swing. People showed the excitement in the way they walked, they showed it in conversation, they showed it in their anxiety to know if some friend had voted.

The usual amount of betting which Pendleton is always accredited with did not appear, possibly because of a change of principle along those lines and possibly because of an election which each side thought was going to be close.

The whole setting and proceeding was enjoyable. At one precinct it was reported that Dudley Evans challenged over 200 voters. At other precincts calls were sent in to the district attorney's office for opinions on what constituted a violation of the Corrupt Practices Act. And so went the day.

But, the refreshing thing is, that when the election is over, the votes

counted and the result announced, both sides will join in singing favorite Round-up tunes, will form a hallow square and join hands for the common good of Pendleton. The people there are extraordinary fighters, but they do not let that interfere with their general worship of Pendleton.

Another thing that was noticeable. The Oregon System had a bouquet due it. There was no "rough stuff" during Pendleton's election. One old wheat rancher who has resided in Umatilla county for forty years left his ranch and came to town to see the fun. He said "this is tame, why, an election as hot as this one twenty years ago would have meant fight after fight, spilling of blood and a jail full of men before the day was over."

So it must be admitted that the Oregon System has done some good.

#### THE PEOPLE RULE

Writers Point to Final Test Put on the Populace

La Grande Dec. 7 (to the Editor)—The steady growth of the commission form of government for towns and cities is an indication that the people are dissatisfied with the ordinary systems under which municipal business is transacted.

Yet there are some who complain that even commissions are not immune from graft and favoritism. Accordingly in certain cases, the concentration of power and responsibility has been carried still farther and the entire business of running a town has been placed in the hands of a city manager. Whether or not this plan will remove the evil depends upon the character of the manager, which in turn depends largely upon his employers ultimately, the people themselves. The fact is there is good and bad government under any form. "For forms of government let fools contest; That which is the best administered is best."

In the final analysis, it is the honesty, intelligence and vigilance of the voters that determines the quality of the government the people get the kind of rule they strive for it might be said the kind they deserve. The lesson is plain. If you wish honest efficient government, vote for honest and capable officials.

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#### Contempt of Court

Defendant (in a loud voice)—"Justice! Justice! I demand justice!"  
Judge—"Silence! The defendant will please remember that he is in a courtroom."—Penn State Froth.

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