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CANDIDACY LEFT TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE

Declares This No Time To Seek Political Preferment for Selfish Gain

Declaring that he has neither the time nor the inclination to travel up and down the state soliciting votes, Governor James Withycombe, Republican nominee for re-election, in a statement to the voters of the state some time ago announced definitely that he will not wage a personal campaign.

Governor Withycombe has always had the reputation of being one of the first state officials at his desk in the morning, but those who frequent the state house note that the Oregon executive has been probably busier than ever before. He still takes a vigorous horseback ride occasionally but these are started later in the afternoon than formerly and many of them are confined to inspection trips among the state institutions about Salem.

In his address to the voters of Oregon Governor Withycombe says:

"No matter how active other candidates for political offices may be I am determined now, as I was at the time of the primary election last May, not to conduct a personal campaign. I shall not have the time, the money nor the inclination to go up and down the state, figuratively or personally, in solicitation of votes. This is no time to seek political preferment purely for selfish gain and aggrandizement. I feel that all spare time and all spare resources should be devoted new toward winning the war. It would be positively unpatriotic to spend large sums of money trying to divert the public mind from wartime duties to thoughts of politics. Both the money and the effort should be utilized in more commendable ways.

"For nearly four years I have been privileged to serve the people of Oregon as governor, endeavoring to give the state a sound, dignified, business-like administration. I believe that I have kept my pledges. I am willing to allow the record of my four years stewardship to stand as my only campaign document. The people have that record before them and upon it they must base their judgment for the future.

"For many months I have been extremely busy on the organization of war work. This work is by no means completed, nor will it be for an indefinite time to come. I would like to complete this task. I would like to be governor of Oregon when our boys come home victoriously from the war, for then I would be in a position to enforce the unwritten guarantee that the returned soldiers and sailors shall receive their just rewards and that they shall be accorded the proper reception as they step back into civilian life. My heart and my hand have been and will continue to be in this war work just as my heart and my hand have been and always will be with our Oregon boys.

"Throughout my administration I have done honestly what I have believed to be my duty. I shall continue to do so. If the voters of Oregon believe that I have served them faithfully and well and if they feel that I can be depended upon to give the very best that is in me in approaching the enlarged and more important developments that will come with the close of the war I shall indeed appreciate an expression of confidence and shall strive diligently to merit the endorsement of re-election. It is for the people to say and I feel that they are qualified to pass judgment without the disturbance and interference of a personal campaign."

HON. ALEX. M. LA FOLLETT,
"The Man of the Hour."

The Turner Tribune, one of the leading Republican papers of Marion county, has the following complimentary editorial concerning Senator A. M. LaFollett:

What do the taxpayers and the people of Marion county propose to do at the coming election? Will they

AT \$1.25 AN HOUR.

"Not till every bushel of wheat was harvested for soldiers did Walter M. Pierce leave his ranch in Eastern Oregon to ask you to vote for him as Democratic candidate for Governor of Oregon."

So reads one of the political advertisements of Candidate Pierce. Mr. Pierce, according to estimates—probably he alone knows the true figures—harvested this year 44,000 bushels of wheat. Mr. Pierce received for it approximately \$88,000.

Mr. Pierce, according to the tax records of Union County, owns more than 12,000 acres of land. His total possessions, including improvements and personal property, are assessed at \$222,855. As assessments go the figures represent probably 50 to 60 per cent of the true value of his holdings.

Yet, with all his wealth, Mr. Pierce, in the winter months of January and February, when farm work was slack, collected \$35.50 for serving as a member of the District Draft Board. He has drawn all told \$467.50.

The draft regulations prescribed by President Wilson state that "a great majority" of Draft Board members "have felt that they should render their services gratuitously." But the Government has need also of citizens in such work "who cannot without disproportionate loss and hardship longer absent themselves from their private business without compensation. . . . The rate of compensation . . . is prescribed to relieve this condition.

The pay prescribed to relieve poor men on the draft boards was accepted by the wealthy Pierce. He has himself raised the issue that his patriotic activities should be rewarded with the office of Governor. He says in another advertisement:

"Working for other fathers and mothers of boys and girls in France is Walter M. Pierce."

Indeed, yes. Working for the fathers and mothers at \$1.25 per hour on the Draft Board.

support and vote for Alex LaFollett who stood by them? Will they reward a man for being true to the people who are bringing and parasites who desire to loot the treasury of the state and Marion county were intercepted and prevented from doing so by the energy and efficient capacity for good legislation as shown by LaFollett? Will the people stand by the man who did not hesitate to say No when importuned to let certain legislation be passed according to the wishes of those who desired large appropriations of the people's money?

When a man has the courage of his convictions and to stand by the people he should be remembered by them. The great fault of our citizens is, sometimes, that the person who sacrifices everything for them is overlooked while brazen effrontery is approved. When LaFollett stood between the people and the tax-eaters he had the approval of his conscience. He grappled with a formidable foe. We are sure the people when they understand what he did as Senator in their behalf that they will approve of his course. Many of us forget. All we need is to be reminded of the great fight that LaFollett has made for RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM and the PURIFICATION of all that in which we are interested.

There is no man in the state of Oregon who has occupied as much time as LaFollett in acquiring a thorough knowledge of the financial condition of the different states of the Union, and the taxes levied upon the taxpayers.

Do our citizens realize that the taxpayers of Oregon pay ONE-FIFTH more tax per capita than they do in ANY OTHER STATE.

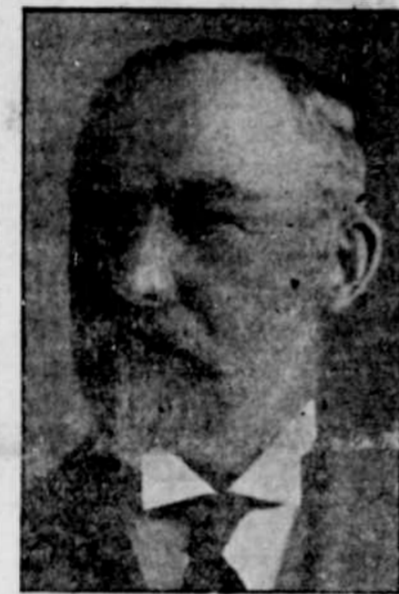
Are our people blind to their own interests? Will they vote for untried men to the exclusion of a person who has a record for economy and thrift that should meet the public approval. Every appropriation that was proper Senator LaFollett voted for. Every appropriation that was wrong he voted against. It required character and courage to do this. As Senator he was on the most important committee in the legislature, the Ways and Means Committee. The lack of space forbids the mention of the great work he did for the people on this committee. The manner in which he performed his duties is a bright spot in his political history. What we want are

Oregon Voters Not Blind No Time To Experiment

Withycombe and McNary Have Made Good

That this is no time to experiment with political aspirants is conceded. Never in the history of Oregon nor of the United States has this been more paramount than at the present time. We have been fortunate in having a Governor whose straight-forward business administration and executive ability has redeemed Oregon in the eyes of the public, from the unfavorable impression left by the insatiable desire for notoriety of his predecessor in office.

That the people of Oregon appreciate the executive ability and patriotic attitude of Governor Withycombe is apparent from the overwhelming majority of votes he received in the primaries. He is a war governor in the sense of his patriotic and undaunted support of the administration in the present world crisis. That this is no time to "play politics" is conceded by every patriotic citizen. The voters of Oregon have spoke once and they will speak again



at the polls November 5th to prove that their judgment was right the first time.

Senator McNary occupies a unique position in many ways. He is a Marion county product. Nearly every one of the older residents here know him since he was a bare-foot boy on the farm many years ago. His unquestionable character and legal ability has long since placed him among the leading citizens of the state. Although Senator McNary has been a life long Republican, ex-Governor West, the present candidate for Senator on the Democratic ticket, while Governor of the state, appointed McNary on the Supreme Court bench of the state, selecting him on account of his legal ability in preference to any other candidate within the entire state.

That ex-Governor West is sometimes temporarily consistent is apparent in this, as the voters of Oregon will well remember. Prior to the primaries ex-Governor West was very urgent that all senatorial candidates withdraw in favor of Senator

men and women of the rectitude of LaFollett to prevent wild cat legislation.

It is not often that the voters have the opportunity to cast their ballots for a person who has had so much experience as a legislator and is honest and capable. It seldom happens that we have the chance to vote for an experienced person of LaFollett's character, and whose sense of honor is so keen. It is true that a few men who live off the public and are interested in large appropriations have assaulted and vilified him but the thoughtful and sober minded citizens approve all his acts as a legislator. It is to be regretted that some have seen fit to abuse LaFollett but these men live in flimsy structures of deceit and dissimulation and when they throw heavy dornicks they act as a boomerang and the transparent edifice in which they reside is shattered to atoms and their sham and duplicity are exposed to the public gaze. His vilifiers have no standing in the community. Senator LaFollett's public and private life are ideal in every respect. There is no person in the state that has a better record. He has lofty conceptions of what is

right and the public know that he can be depended upon. The people of Marion county will not forget him. His intense desire to assist the overburdened taxpayers and contest the right of loud mouthed political conspirators and tin horns to plunder the treasury of our state and county appeals to all our citizens regardless of party.



McNary. Publicly announcing that he deemed Senator McNary qualified and deserving of the support of every voter in the state. This being voluntary on his part, every voter has the right to assume that he was telling the truth at that time. However, since Mr. West has received the nomination for Senator on the Democratic ticket, he has had a change of heart, and now insists that he and not Senator McNary is best suited to represent the state of Oregon in the United States Senate.

Just how Mr. West will prove to the voters of Oregon that he was lying to them then but is now telling the truth remains to be seen. The general opinion seems to be that he was telling the truth then, but now, since his Democratic opposition has been eliminated, he would much prefer to have the voters believe that he lied then but has since discovered that he would make an excellent candidate himself. There is no question but what such a candidate would promise most anything temporarily if he thought he could get by with it long enough to be elected.

According to eminent authority politics was adjourned until after the war. This seems to have been the moving factor which induced Mr. West to tell the truth and publicly announce that Senator McNary should be elected. However, that same eminent authority very abruptly announced at the eleventh hour that politics should not adjourn, and no doubt this new perspective has afforded Mr. West sufficient excuse to ask the voters of Oregon to believe that he prevaricated the first time.

Fortunately for Senator McNary, the voters of Marion county and generally throughout the state, know that he is thoroughly qualified to represent the state of Oregon in the United States Senate, and know first hand and that he has supported the administration at all times in the present world crisis as every patriotic American citizen should.

We need him to stand off the pirates and free-booters who are manipulating the politics of the state and Marion county. Who have thrust aside men of merit and assumed autocratic sway over the destinies of our people.

Awake citizens and demand your rights! Do not allow an irresponsible clique of men without public or private honor or standing to carry on their pilfering. Arise taxpayers and friends of good government in your might and put an end to the profiteering in politics of men whose sole aim in life is to live off the public.

LaFollett as Senator will not permit this gang to illegally draw funds from the public.

Now is the time; now is the hour for the true womanhood and manhood of Marion county to reward

DEATH CALLS AT ANGEL HOME.

What seemed to be almost impossible and a great shock to everyone in this community, was the report of the death of one of North Santiam's most prominent young citizens—that of Miss Rachel Angel, who was called away by that dreaded disease—Spanish Influenza.

She was a teacher in the Scio schools and while attending the teacher's institute at Corvallis, contracted the disease, being sick only a few days.

Deceased was born in Marshfield, Wisconsin, March 26th, 1894, and passed away October 17th, 1918. She leaves her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Angel, of North Santiam, and a sister, Mrs. Albert Keithley, of Warrington, Ore., to mourn her loss.

She had been a faithful Christian for a number of years. Always taking an active part in church work and Sunday school. She made the large service flag and presented it to the Willing Workers Class, of which she was an active member. Her cheerful and lively disposition will not soon be forgotten.

She was not afraid to pass to the great beyond, being cheerful to the last. She also made her own funeral arrangements and selected one favorite song to be sung, entitled: "Whom Having Not Seen I Love"—which was sung by the Misses Edith, Ruby and Leona McCormick, Miss Deryl McLaughlin, Miss Gunsauls, Wm. McCormick and Hugh Kuenzi. Miss McLaughlin presided at the organ.

An open air service was held at the North Santiam church, Rev. Bennett, of Silverton, delivering the funeral sermon. The pallbearers were Wm. McCormick, J. M. Miller, Alfred Beal, J. S. McLaughlin, E. S. Aglesbee and H. E. Kuenzi. Interment was in Lone Oak cemetery at Stayton. W. A. Weddie of the Ringo Undertaking parlors, had charge of the funeral.

Earl E. Ayers, of the Radio Division of the Navy, stationed at the U. S. Naval Training Camp at Seattle, spent the week end at the P. H. Lambert home in Scio. He said that the "flu" was dying out at Seattle and that the quarantine had been raised. When the "flu" was at its height the deaths average from five to six a day. He said that their camp was situated on the University campus and is only a few minutes' walk from Seattle. He also said that the "chow," which is of great interest to the boys, is fine and that they certainly get all they want to eat. They have tents which are very comfortable, having oil stoves and electric lights in them. Earl is a chum of Chas. Lambert and reports him as liking the navy. Chas. has recovered from the "flu" and is drilling every day. He has had several tryouts at target practice.

In common with other states fire prevention day in Oregon has been set for Saturday, Nov. 2, by proclamation of the governor. Simultaneously State Fire Marshal Harvey Wells issued a statement that if the epidemic of Spanish influenza has not subsided by that date all massed forms of celebration of the day must either be postponed or carried out under permission of the state health authorities.

In response to numerous inquiries by Oregon school teachers as to whether the teachers are allowed their salaries during the period the schools are closed because of the influenza epidemic, State Superintendent Attorney General Crawford on a former occasion in which it is held that the salaries are allowed unless the contract provides otherwise. In Mr. Crawford's opinion it is held that boards of directors have a right to close the schools if in their judgment it is necessary for the public health or safety of pupils, but that the teachers are entitled to their salaries during the time the schools are not in session unless otherwise specified in contracts.

Twenty-four cases are on the docket for hearing at the Eastern Oregon session of the state supreme court which opened at Pendleton on Monday. Three of the cases involve Chinese and have grown out of troubles at La Grande. The court left Saturday for Pendleton.

their fearless and faithful champion of the people's rights.

All honor to Senator LaFollett for the honorable motives which has prompted him to do what was proper and right regardless of fear or favor.

HON. ALEX. M. LA FOLLETT IS THE MAN OF THE HOUR at the present time.

(Paid Adv.)

TWO STATE SENATORS TO BE ELECTED

Louis Lachmund and W. Al Jones are Republican Candidates

Marion county will elect two state senators at the November election, are well known in Marion county and there are only two Republican candidates on the ticket. Both of whom are among the most progressive farmers in the state.

W. Al Jones is one of the leading taxpayers of the county and has represented the people of Marion county in the state legislature in the past and is now a candidate for state senator. His past record speaks for itself. Although Mr. Jones is a farmer he has taken an active interest in public affairs and is deserving of the support of every progressive citizen in the county.

Louis Lachmund is the other Republican candidate for state senator from Marion county. He is also well known, having been mayor of the city of Salem for some time and was instrumental in its present development. Mr. Lachmund is also a farmer and has one of the finest peach orchards in the county. He is a man of unusual talent and executive ability and has a thorough knowledge of the needs of Marion county and the state at large. He believes in conservative business methods and insists on a dollar value for every dollar spent of public money.

The only other candidate for state senator from Marion county is A. M. LaFollett, who was also a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket at the primary election, and although defeated in the primary election, has come out as an independent-Democrat in order to get on the ballot. This notwithstanding the fact that Mr. LaFollett signed a pledge to the effect that if he was not nominated on the Republican ticket, he would not accept the nomination from any other party.

63D BUNCH FROM FAR WEST HARD TO BEAT

The following is clipped from the Camp Mead Herald, and was sent from Camp Mead by Harry Humphreys, who is stationed there and is a member of the 63d regiment. There are a number of Stayton boys in the regiment:

"One regiment in this camp is being pointed out by competent military critics as the best in the United States at this time, possibly as good as any in France today. It is the Sixty-third Infantry. 'Flu' has not made a dent in this organization. The enrollment of 1,000 or more recruits has not lowered its effectiveness. Here is an outfit ready to go right over the top tomorrow and meet any regiment the kaiser has in his army. It is easy to explain this. To begin with the last proposition first—that of the newly enrolled recruits. These are men who were carefully picked. Men of recent drafts not up to the requirements for a fighting organization were held in the Depot Brigade for development.

"Many of the just-21 men were taken into this regiment. The backbone of the organization was the old Sixty-third Infantry. 'Flu' has not made a dent in this organization. Thus many of the non-commissioned officers have seen service in Mexico. Many are ranchmen of the Far West who enlisted when war was declared and who have yearned day by day to get to France, and each day have become more proficient as fighters, more eager for the fray. This regiment has a band that is said to be the best now in the United States and possibly as good as any in the army. If the medical and military authorities might feel like braving the 'flu' this organization could give any city a parade that would stir up the crowds to the shouting point and would thereby give 'pep' to any patriotic campaign."

W. Al Jones, No. 37 on the ballot, regular Republican nominee for State Senator.