

SEEKING HORSESHOES FOR MANY CITIZENS

Republicans From All Over State Urge Him to Be Candidate for Senator.

REPLIES MORE THAN 1500

Letters Show Great Popularity of the Portland Man and Disclose His Eligibility for Successful Campaign.

More than 1500 letters, principally from points outside Multnomah County, have been received by Ben Selling, President of the State Senate, bearing expressions favoring his entering the race for the United States Senate, and the replies are in response to letters sent out by Mr. Selling to many parts of the state asking for expressions of opinion as to the advisability of his announcing his candidacy.

Of the number sent out, 2000 were to Democrats and 7000 to Republicans. The replies received are nearly all favorable, and Mr. Selling to become a candidate and expressing confidence of his success. Mr. Selling said last night that he has not fully decided yet whether to enter the race, it being his intention to investigate even further before making any announcement.

The letters represent all classes. Many interesting replies have been received.

Letters Reflect Feeling.

Following are extracts from some of the letters showing the trend of opinion in some of the districts of the state regarding the United States Senatorship:

Sheridan—You should have the support of every honest Oregonian who wishes the best interests of Oregon looked after by a man who is qualified to do so. You have many friends in this locality.

Crewell—Am only glad to have you enter the race for senator. I will surely give you my support, as it seems to me we need a change, and someone that really knows the state and affairs of this state and not the East. I can truthfully say that I know of no one else that I could support any better than Ben Selling.

Record Alone Enough.

Amity—Let your record as a progressive Republican stand for itself. I am back of you, and enter the race for United States Senator. If any one man can get there, you have the best show.

Le Grande—It will be a pleasure to extend to you my hearty co-operation and support. A man who has made a success of his own business has the ability to succeed for others.

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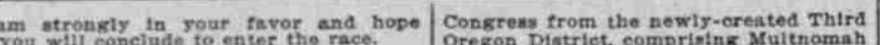
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Astoria—Go to it. Anybody is better than Bourne.

Independence—I am a staunch Republican and would support any man other than Jonathan Bourne, Jr. for United States Senator. I know of you and your work and will do all in my power for your nomination and election.

Clatskanie—I am ready for anyone but Bourne, and want to support the candidate that Oregon puts in the field. My candidate is a man who will carry the Republican ticket will carry the county against Bourne.

Hillsboro—I agree with you in regard to Bourne. He seems to have more business interests in the East than in Oregon, hence his working in and what he has done. We certainly have no interest in him.

Ashland—I am in favor of Oregon being represented by an Oregon citizen, and one who is in touch with the common people, rather than from Wall Street, New York City. It seems to be the custom to elect rich men to the United States Senate, who take up their residence in the East, and seem to be largely controlled by Eastern sentiment, and this counts very wrong.

Astoria—I am in favor of you or any other good Republican that can get in and beat Mr. Bourne. I believe it will be the safest way to get one good man in there.

McMinnville—I am in favor of Oregon being represented by a Republican in the United States Senate after March 4, 1913, nothing would give me more pleasure than to see you elected. As a citizen, a successful business man and broad-minded and philanthropic citizen, I entertain the highest regard for you.

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Premiums received during the year	\$5,081,810.00
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	225,475.44
Gross profit on sale of securities	18,472.30
Gross increase in book value of securities	42,567.50
Total income	\$5,310,321.77
Losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses	\$2,310,940.10
Dividends paid during the year on capital stock	175,000.00
Commissions and other expenses during the year	1,752,507.53
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	147,921.97
Amount of all other expenditures	205,845.55
Gross decrease in book value of securities	42,567.50
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Total expenditures	\$4,694,966.07
Value of real estate owned	\$ 87,899.42
Value of stocks and bonds owned	\$4,478,406.78
Loans on mortgages and collateral	8,000.00
Cash in banks and on hand	118,220.00
Reinsured losses due from other companies	1,856.38
Premiums in course of collection and in transit	\$48,320.24
Savings and other securities	1,170.29
Interest and rents due and accrued	1,270.00
Reinsurance premiums due other companies	2,086.71
Total assets	\$9,819,763.80
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$5,197,783.80
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$1,202,848.98
Contingent reserves for unpaid and accrued claims	100,000.00
Amount of reinsurance assumed on all outstanding risks	2,856,782.22
Dues for commission and brokerage	229,046.46
All other liabilities, bills, accounts payable and accrued	8,822.17
Taxes due or accrued	58,321.14
Reinsurance premiums due other companies	2,118.25
Total liabilities	\$4,945,111.80
Total premiums in force December 31, 1911	\$2,302,848.98
Business in Oregon for the Year	
Total risks written during the year	\$1,202,848.98
Gross premiums received during the year	\$1,470,741.97
Losses incurred during the year	\$1,202,848.98

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C. H. CAREY IS ASPIRANT

LAWYER CANDIDATE AS DELEGATE FROM OREGON.

Portland Man Files Nomination for Republican Representative at National Convention.

Expressing his personal preference for the renomination of President Taft, but declaring that he will consider it his sacred duty to vote and work for the nomination of the candidates for President and Vice-President whom the Republican electors of Oregon shall indorse at the April primary, C. H. Carey, a member of the law firm of Carey & Kerr, has announced his candidacy for delegate to the Republican National convention to be held at Chicago June 18.

Judge Carey has resided in Oregon since 1883, coming here when 26 years of age, and has practiced law continuously in Portland since that time. In a statement accompanying his announcement of candidacy, he said yesterday:

If the Republicans of Oregon see fit to elect me a delegate to the National convention I will accept the duty with a full sense of the obligation to support and work for the nomination of the people's choice for President and Vice-President. Under the plan adopted in Oregon in 1910, the party will not only elect the delegates to the convention, but will express a preference for the National ticket, and I shall look upon the election as enjoining upon me a sacred duty, which I will neither shrink nor seek to evade.

I am a sincere and earnest believer in the principles for which the Republican party stands, and while I do not assert that all the virtues and all the patriotism of the country are among the Republicans, I think the welfare of the Nation will be best secured by the election of a Republican President in 1912.

I will frankly say that as matters now stand my personal preference is for the re-election of President Taft. I think there can be no denial of the

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Gallant Spanish-American Soldier Gives Praise to Peruna

Colonel Arthur L. Hamilton, of the Seventh Ohio Volunteers, writes as follows:

"I have used Peruna myself and in my family for the last seven years. I have already written you about the good results I experienced with your remedy during the Spanish-American War."

"My command used your Peruna during our service in the Spanish-American War, and I will say this, that if the War Department records are consulted, it will be found that the casualties in my regiment were less than in any other regiment of the Army Corps while at Camps Alger, Meade and Bushnell. The total deaths in my regiment during the seven months' service were seven out of a total number of 1400. I, of course, cannot help but think that Peruna certainly was a great benefit to my command."