

## Announcement

The OREGON LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY takes pleasure in announcing that it has secured the services of Mr. George A. Ferguson, of Pendleton, as Umatilla county representative.

Associated with Mr. Ferguson is Mr. Tom Quinn, formerly with the company at Prineville.

Pendleton has also been chosen as the headquarters for Cy H. Pruner, the company's agency supervisor in Eastern Oregon.

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## FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

For the important office of district attorney, which is filled by a man of limited experience and immature judgment can be made the source of much avoidable expense to the taxpayers, the qualifications of the rival candidates should be carefully compared.

Such a comparison, impartially made and with due recognition of the fact that this is a non-political office, is certain to show the eminent and superior fitness of George H. Bishop.

Mr. Bishop is an able and successful lawyer of seven years' active experience. He is a close student of law, having one of the most complete libraries in the county. He has handled cases from the smallest to the largest courts, including the federal court—a wide and varied range of experience of great value in the office of district attorney. Law enforcement is safe in his hands, yet he has the judgment to discriminate between important and trivial cases. A substantial taxpayer himself, he will protect the taxpayers against the cost of needless prosecutions.

Republicans and democrats alike will make no mistake in voting for George H. Bishop.

## "WAR PROSPERITY"

It is a matter of a very great deal of importance as well as interest how much of the prosperity of the country is due to war munitions orders. Statistics show that less than three per cent of our exports for the last fiscal year was war munitions; but of course a great many other exports, such as horses, automobiles, food and other things were used in the military operations. However that may be, the fact remains that the proportion is not very great and the probability is that it will be more than made up for by the other needs of Europe when peace is declared. Charles M. Schwab, chairman of directors of the Bethlehem Steel Co., in "System" says:

"Although the United States is shipping a larger proportion of fabricated articles and raw material than ever before, the bulk of these fabricated articles is drawn from the ordinary course of business.

"I do not expect any sudden change in manufacturing conditions immediately upon the coming of peace. Peace will affect only future and not present orders. So far as the steel trade is concerned, peace will bring no sudden change and there will be ample time and opportunity to transform gradually most of the purely munitions plants into ordinary machine factories.

"I am entirely optimistic as to the future of the United States, provided the business of the nation and the business of the individual are managed on sound economic lines. We should be able not only to keep all that we have but to get more."

Coming from the real head of the concern that has profited so greatly by war orders, Mr. Schwab's opinion very effectively contradicts the idea of the Republicans, who have attempted to disseminate the idea that with the cessation of war orders our "fictitious" prosperity will vanish. On the contrary, the business of the nation was never

more solidly established on a sound economic basis. The only thing likely to disarrange it is a change in administration.

A Umatilla preacher says the Weston Normal buildings are "thirty years old," and we would most respectfully invite the reverend gentleman over here to discover for himself that he is a campaign liar.

If Umatilla county uses the same judgment as sagacious private employers, it will retain such faithful, experienced and efficient servants as Til Taylor and C. P. Strain.

The issue between the Weston David and the Pendleton Goliath is now "on the knees of the gods."

Coffins are likewise going up—which is a bit pleasanter, however, than to see them going down.

If we mistake not, Pendleton will soon "know how it feels herself."

## BE CAREFUL HOW YOU VOTE

Finding that the single tax bill is being confused in many quarters with the state rural credits measure, J. D. Brown, president of the Farmer's Union, and Hector MacPherson of Corvallis, are trying to reach voters in every part of the state and show them the difference between the two measures. Both men have worked hard to secure the passage of the rural credits bill.

The single tax bill, called on the ballot the "Full Rental Value Land Tax and Homemakers' Loan Fund Amendment" is the first initiative measure while the "Rural Credits Amendment," its plain name on the ballot, is the seventh on the initiative list.

President Brown has issued a statement asking farmers and all others interested in agricultural development to discriminate between these measures.

Hector MacPherson reports that when the single tax bill petitions were signed—it then being generally known as the "people's land and loan bill," many persons of whom he has knowledge signed the petition under the impression they were forwarding the interests of rural credits. Lane, Douglas, Josephine, Yamhill, Sherman, Union, and Baker counties were the counties in which he has found the most misunderstanding as to the actual purposes of the bill.

One-third of the Multnomah county signers of the petition now say they signed it under misapprehension, according to the percentage of replies thus far received by the Portland Realty board, which is making an investigation of the methods through which the signatures were obtained. Twenty five per cent of the signers thus far heard from say they did not sign the petition. Only a small percentage declare themselves in favor of the measure's adoption.

## Benton Against Pendleton

If Benton county, home of the Oregon Agricultural college, goes against the Pendleton normal bill, it is practically sure to be beaten. Pendleton will have to carry Jackson, Benton, Lane and Multnomah counties by a pretty big vote in order to have a ghost of a show to win, as it will likely lose all of Eastern Oregon, including its own county of Umatilla. Pendleton will therefore find cold comfort in the following Journal dispatch: Corvallis, Or., Oct. 31.—A Republican candidate for county office, who has made a general canvass of Benton county, said Saturday that he found the voters had little interest in the measures and amendments with four exceptions. The rural credits and tax limitation amendments, he stated, would carry by heavy majorities, next in favor was the "dry" bill, which would get a heavy vote, and following this the single items veto amendment. The Pendleton normal measure, he said would be voted down, as would also the land and loan amendment.

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## CHANGING ITS TUNE

The Oregonian is a great newspaper, but consistency is by no means an element of its greatness. Having at various times in the past hampered the Oregon normal schools in a most unmerciful fashion, and having created a prejudice against them that led to their final downfall, the esteemed Oregonian now changes front and supports the Pendleton bill.

The reason it gives is naive. The old normals, it says in effect, were just too awful to live because of their log-rolling proclivities. They just wouldn't let the Oregon solons pass any laws unless their own wants were first looked after. To be sure, all three of them in the old days never cost the state more than a total of \$50,000 annually, but according to the Oregonian they were a racially lot and an enormous drain and burden.

Now, it says, the log-rolling days are past and a normal school is a virtuous and deserving institution. It wants Pendleton to have one in order that Eastern Oregon may be supplied with trained teachers. And yet Pendleton's very bill presents the most fearful and wonderful example of at-

tempted log-rolling that was ever brought to the Great Only's attention. Pendleton would validate certain state schools that do not need validating in order to catch the votes of their friends for its precious measure. If, D. Allen points this out in a letter to the Sunday Oregonian—Among other things he says:

"I contend that there was nothing wrong with the location of any of the institutions, that the bill gives them nothing, and in the very nature of things can give them nothing."

"If any of these institutions is not definitely located, whether or not it shall be so definitely located is a question quite distinct from the question of whether a new normal should be established at Pendleton. One who wants to cure a defect in the location of one or all these institutions should not be required to vote for a new normal in order to do so, and one who wants a new normal ought not to be required to acquiesce in the locations in order to get the new normal."

Wiser than its neighbor, the Evening Telegram condemns the Pendleton bill and advises the people to vote against it, because of this reprehensible log-rolling feature.

Fine lot of new rugs—DeMoss.

## COMPARE These PRICES

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