

WALTER M. PIERCE FOR GOVERNOR

State Senator From Eastern Oregon Announces Candidacy For Chief Executive.

After due deliberations I have decided to become a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor at the primary election to be held May 17.

During my 25 years of residence in Oregon I have taken an active interest in public affairs. At present I am a state senator representing Union and Wallawa counties, and am now and have been president of the State Tax payers' league since its organization. My position upon most public questions is well known and understood. If nominated and elected governor, I pledge my earnest and unqualified support to President Woodrow Wilson and to the great effort he is leading to win the war. In this dark hour of our national life there is nothing else that counts. We must win the war or the principle that all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, after 149 years of existence, must perish.

I fear our people do not realize the seriousness of the present titanic struggle. It cannot be the end of free institutions. We shall win—and not a Russian peace either, but a peace



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that will insure for all time the freedom of all nations, great or small.

Every citizen in public or private life should give his loyal aid and assistance to the commander-in-chief of our army and navy—our president, Woodrow Wilson. This is no time to falsely criticize, find fault or play politics. The Hun, with the dripping blood of murdered millions, is at the door. He would treat our wives and daughters as he has treated the gentlewomen of Belgium and Northern France, if he could. Our boys wearing the navy blue in English waters and our boys in the olive drab somewhere in France are as truly fighting a defensive battle as though they were resisting the advance of the Hun up the Columbia river.

I pledge my most loyal support to all our boys who have or may enter the war and who may be called upon to shed their blood, possibly sacrificing their lives for the perpetuity of our free institutions. Thousands of our brightest, bravest and best have gone, and many no doubt will be called upon to make the supreme sacrifice for the triumph of righteous ness.

I pledge myself to labor unceasingly to help alleviate the suffering so far as possible and administer to the comforts of our country's defenders.

I believe Oregon should be organized from top to bottom for the winning of the war. No person's time is his own. Every man and woman ought to labor in some occupation that will help win the war. We should be so organized that farms, shipyards and factories manufacturing war material should not feel the shortage of labor.

We must work together as a united people, with one purpose and one aim—or perish. Wages should be commensurate with the increased cost of living.

With these beliefs firmly fixed, if I were governor, I would ask all state institutions to limit their money demands to the very lowest point possible, so that this state's financial strength may be conserved to be used for our defense and to alleviate the sufferings of our people that must follow this terrible war.

I believe in prison reform so that the unfortunate ones we confine in our penal institutions may return to the walks of life better and not worse by reason of their incarceration.

I have been a laboring man most of my life and deeply sympathize with those who honestly toil, firmly believing that opportunity should be given to all to earn an honest living in some useful occupation.

My opposition to the American saloon in this state commenced with my arrival here 25 years ago. I rejoice that the saloon in Oregon is gone for good. I believe in the strict enforcement of the law. I favor national prohibition.

I have always favored woman suffrage and am in favor of extending the franchise throughout the nation.

I believe in the people's rule—in the greatest possible participation by the people direct in all the affairs of government compatible with the practical and efficient administration of affairs.

I am a firm believer in the future greatness of Oregon. Portland should be one of the greatest ports of the world. With her inland waterways developed, steamship lines promoted and rural Oregon developed, her future destiny is assured.

I shall do everything in my power if governor to promote the business growth and development of our state, never forgetting the necessity for constant work for the moral uplift and educational opportunities.

My motto shall be: "Organization of Oregon for the winning of the war."

Chinese Queues Not Barred.

Although the traffic in human hair has not been so brisk during the past few years as formerly on account of the veering of the fashions in hair-dressing toward the extreme simplicity, there are millions of pounds of human hair exported from China. One of the peculiar facts in connection with the trade is that often after the Chinese send the hair to us we treat it and dye it and send it back to be made up for special use. This is usually true in regard to the invisible hair nets which American and European women use to keep their own locks in order on a windy day.

The hair-net business has become of great importance to the province of Siam, which now provides practically the entire supply for the market. Thus the hair net worn by the voracious stay-at-home in America has doubtless crossed the ocean three times.—Popular Science Monthly.

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The scenes were obtained in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, where Mr. Lockwood, Director Francis Ford and over 20 members of the Metro company spent three weeks' time staging exteriors.

"The Barrier" "The Barrier," the seven-reel photo

drama of Rex Beach's famous novel by the same name, comes to the Rolfe Theatre commencing Monday. This picture has been heralded as one of the greatest dramas that has ever been on the screen. At the Broadway Theatre, New York, it scored a tremendous hit and has since broken attendance records everywhere it has been shown.



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