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May 3, 1948.

Mrs. Peter Zimmerman,
Yamhill, Oregon.

Dear Mrs. Zimmerman:--

Your letter of April 30 in the interests of your husband's candidacy for the nomination to the state house of representatives came during a temporary absence from Newberg. I have read it with much interest.

I certainly appreciate the interest of both of you in good state government. As far as any helpful suggestions as to the conduct of any political campaign, I am not enough of a politician to know much about such campaigning. I have never been elected to public office, and have very seldom been active in any campaign for men, though I have made some hard fights for issues.

All three of the candidates for this nomination which your husband is seeking have had experience in the legislature. Only two of them can be nominated. Since Peter is running to displace one of these, I wonder if he has any advice as to which one he is most eager to see defeated. One of them must be if Peter is nominated.

As I say, I am seldom active in politics except where a moral issue is involved or where some candidate is so far the superior of his opponent that it seems imperative that he should be nominated and elected for the good of the people. Just now I am especially anxious that Douglas McKay should be nominated to succeed Governor-by-accident Hall.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely your friend,

Levi T. Pennington.