## NEWS LETTER FROM DR. BEN YELLEN

BRAWLEY, CALIF.

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## VOTE FOR DR. BEN YELLEN FOR DIRECTOR OF THE PIONEERS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

People living here are complaining bitterly about the high cost of going into the Pioneers Memorial Hospital. Press releases glowing with self praise are issued by the hospital and published in the local newspaper. However, the sick have the same complaint--it costs too much to go into the hospital.

The voters living in the Pioneers Memorial Hospital District pay taxes which are "forced donations" TO 2 HOSPITALS, THE COUNTY HOSPITAL AND THE PIONEERS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL!!!!!

Yet when the sick person goes to the County Hospital, he is told that "HE IS TOO RICH" to get in. When the ill person thinks of going to the Pioneers Memorial Hospital and considers the expense, he feels that "HE IS TOO POOR" to go in.

WE THEREFORE HAVE A PROBLEM OF PEOPLE PAYING "FORCED DONATIONS" TO 2 HOSPITALS AND FINDING IT DIFFICULT TO GET IN. This problem affects at least 90% of the people.

Some people have sickness insurance policies which pay the whole hospital bill or \$10 to \$15 dollars per day while in the hospital. These persons can be considered to be paying a 3rd "forced donation" for hospital service.

I want to make the Pioneers Memorial Hospital, a hospital that can fit the pocketbooks of the middle class people here who work and pay taxes and yet find it difficult to get into hospitals.

MY PLAN IS THAT IF THE SICK PERSON LIVES IN THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT AND HIS BILL IS \$300, THAT HE SHOULD ONLY PAY \$200. THE REMAINING SUM OF \$100 WILL BE PAID OUT OF TAXES.

Now the city inhabitants and the little farmers have been paying high taxes and high electricity bills while the absentee landowners and local big farmers have not been paying the correct taxes or their share of the All American Canal.

All the farmland in the Pioneers Memorial Hospital District is underassessed. This farmland is worth 50,000,000 dollars. It will have its assessment raised and will yield the extra taxes to pay for the portion of the bill that the patient does not pay for.

These big landowners are paying one fourth of the taxes they should be paying. We want them to pay their taxes just like all the people in the cities.

Mrs. Phyllis Dillard wants to be a Director of the Hospital District. She is a local farmer and big landowner. WILL SHE WANT TO HAVE THE TAXES INCREASED ON HER FARMLAND? SHE WILL NOT:::::

William La Berge is another candidate. He works for Jack Bros. and McBurney who are big landowners and farmers. Mr. LaBerge will not vote for higher taxes because his employers do not desire them.

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