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FULTON IS THE MAN.

Eugene Register. Again we are on the threshold of another senatorial election. The people of the state are anxious that the needful legislation be not blocked by a long drawn out contest over the senatorship, much less do they want to see a deadlock such as occurred at last session. For years there has been more or less factional struggle in the republican ranks in the state and the senatorial fight is usually the basis of continued division in the ranks.

At the last republican state convention, eastern Oregon made a clamorous demand for the candidate for governor, pledging the party that if given the candidate that section would rally to his support. Since eastern Oregon had not been honored for years with the governorship, their demands were acceded to and Mr. Furnish was nominated, although Mr. Geer urged his claims for another term, yet without success.

The result of that election is still fresh in the public mind. Mr. Furnish was defeated and eastern Oregon counties that were strongly republican and that should have stood by an east of the mountains man cast their votes against him. Mr. Geer and his followers, smarting under failure of the governor to receive a renomination, contributed what they could to Furnish's defeat in western Oregon. Not satisfied with this, Mr. Geer proceeded upon pettish to make himself a candidate for United States senator, his name appearing on the ballot in opposition to C. E. S. Wood, democrat, at the June election. The result of that vote is also well known, there being no republican opposition to Mr. Geer simply because it was thought best to let him run the gauntlet and carry out a plan that would not materially affect the selection of the right man for senator when the right time arrived. More than that, it was supposed that allowing Geer to carry out his pet scheme would appease his wrath at not being renominated for governor and would tend to abate his opposition to Furnish, which, however, it apparently did not do.

But the time is past for quibbles over past elections. Neither the people nor the politicians want a long drawn out contest over the senatorship at this session of the legislature. There is a universal desire for speedy settlement of the question so that important legislation may be enacted.

By degrees factionalism in the republican ranks in this state is being replaced by harmony and concert of action for the good of the party and of the commonwealth. There no longer exists causes which heretofore have precipitated disagreeable struggles and disruption of party organization. The people are in humor for quick settlement of the senatorship, and around the standard of Hon. C. W. Fulton all sides can flock and give, in his election, entire satisfaction to the state. C. W. Fulton is larger and broader than party factions, and all will agree that he is better qualified for senator than any other man yet named for the position.

Cathlamet Breeze: If women must wear plumes why not confine them to the ostrich which survives the operation and the barnyard cock that makes such fine pie? Let the song birds and wedding dresses of our other birds alone. Women are supposed to have hearts, but the evidence points to the fact that their love of finery is stronger than their love of nature.

Post-Intelligencer: An advantage of the present alliance between Germany and Great Britain, in attacking Venezuela, lies in the fact that each is enabled to disclaim responsibility for any unnecessarily harsh and aggressive actions, laying it all on the "wicked partner," as they are both doing.

Oregon Journal: Yakima has a sensible woman. Being invited by a young preacher to go to Spokane and commit suicide with him, she sent an attorney to represent her. The lawyer refused to take the suicide route, but it showed the woman's heart was in the right place.

Ledger: A man on trial for murder in California pleads hypnotism. Unfortunately the soundness of his plea is something that could not be established by autopsy. Still, the doctors might make a try at it.

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