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West Virginia at the republican state convention recently held introduced a resolution endorsing Senator Elkins, a favorite son of that state, as their candidate for president in 1904. Senator Elkins is all right, we presume, but the next republican nominee will be Roosevelt. Politicians, capitalists and trusts may have no use for him, but the people have, and the people will be heard. Conventions may nominate, but they can't elect.

The Oregonian says: T. T. Geer has two claims upon the office of United States senator. The one he puts forward for himself is that he was rejected by the party for governor. This mark of esteem and confidence would be regarded by the ordinary man as a polite invitation to sequester himself; but Geer is no ordinary man. His conception of his own indispensability to the party and the state is phenomenal and unprecedented. We doubt if the colossal conceit of Senator Simon himself would have been equal to such display of egotism. Certainly he did not get himself on the official ballot, though he had every opportunity, legal or otherwise, to do so. This is probably the first time on record, and presumably the last, when a defeated candidate for governor accepts his defeat as a call to the United States senate. The other claim of Geer upon the senate is his party loyalty. This he demonstrated by defeating the republican nominee for governor. It is not likely to impress the republican members of the legislature with great pertinence or weight. The highest honors of the campaign are not usually selected for traitors in the camp.

Paul Underwood, the alleged murderer of his own babe, gave himself up to Sheriff Cuddehe on Saturday last at South Bend, in Washington. He tells a pretty straight story about the disposition of the infant's body in the water, but claims the child's death preceded its "drowning," the parents deciding that interment of the little one by means of a bag, a stone and a sheet of water was as humane as by a shovel, a pick and Mother Earth. It certainly seems improbable that the sense of love could be so extinct in a parent's breast that he could deliberately plan the murder of his unoffending and helpless offspring. And yet, that Adam-and-Eve story of his will bear looking into.

Senator Mitchell is a team within himself, and whatever he undertakes success follows. The Indian war veteran bill, which has been hanging fire for so long, has passed both house and senate and now awaits the president's signature to become a law. The measure is a just one, and while the recognition that should have been given these brave pioneers of the '50s who fought the wild Indians of Southern and Western Oregon has been long delayed, yet we are thankful that congress has at last been brought to see the justice of the claims.

From the report of the interstate commerce commission we learn that the Columbia Southern Railway Company, after paying all operating and other expenses during the past year have a surplus in the treasury amounting to the neat little sum of \$29,400. The company is deserving of this, and the Bulletin hopes the coming fiscal year will see their net profits doubled.

Justice is being done Captain Clark, who sailed the Oregon around the Horn during the Spanish-American war. President Roosevelt has nominated the gallant captain as a rear-admiral, and it is up to the senate for confirmation.

The Coronation Fur.

A few facts about the little animal whose skin is now in such demand to make the coronation robes of the peers and peeresses resplendent may not be uninteresting. The stoat, or, as it is generally called when in winter dress, the ermine, is a little creature much like a weasel, to which it is closely allied. The most marked difference between the two animals is the somewhat larger size of the former, while its tail retains the black tip when the rest of the coat changes its color to white.

It is only in winter time that the coat has the whiteness which makes the fur in such great demand, for in summer the color of the upper parts of the body is a dull mahogany brown, while the under parts are a pale yellow sulphur, in contradistinction to the pure white of the weasel. The average stoat is about 9½ inches in length, with a tail measuring about 4 inches. Like related species, the ermine is a very restless, brave and blood-thirsty little creature, and can both climb and swim well. These animals, which make their homes among rocks and stones, in walls, and the like, are to be found in the northern regions both of Europe and America.

In all the northern parts stoats invariably assume the well known white winter dress which makes their fur so valuable an article of commerce. For instance, this change always takes place in the highlands of Scotland; but in the northern English counties, like Northumberland and Durham, although frequent, it is by no means universal. If we go further south the change of color becomes more and more rare, taking place only occasionally in counties like Cambridgeshire and Lincolnshire, while in Cornwall and Hampshire it is almost unknown. Most scientists attribute the reason of the change in color to the effects of temperature, but others point out the transformation has been known to take place in cases of captive specimens which have been continually kept in warm rooms.—London Express.

Senate Bill 4530.

In the United States senate on March 14, 1902, Senator Mitchell introduced the following bill, which was read twice and referred to the committee on public lands:

A BILL

For the relief of settlers in Sherman county, Oregon.

Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled:

That the secretary of the interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to investigate and ascertain the reasonable value, respectively, of the lands settled upon and heretofore claimed by the respective persons whose names are set out in full in senate document numbered eight, second session fifty-sixth congress, and in senate document numbered two hundred and forty, first session fifty-seventh congress, and in which documents are also specifically stated an accurate description of the lands claimed by each of such persons, respectively, together with the value of the improvements thereon, respectively, all of said lands being in the county of Sherman, in the State of Oregon, such value of said lands and improvements to be determined, in all cases where such settlers have been dispossessed of their lands, as of the date of the ouster of such settlers, respectively, from said lands by either The Dalles Military Wagon Road Company, or the Eastern Oregon Land Company, successor in interest of The Dalles Military Wagon Road Company, in pursuance of the judgment and decree of the supreme court of the United States affecting the title to said lands; and it is hereby made the duty of the secretary of the interior to ascertain the dates, respectively, when such settlers or any of them were, respectively, dispossessed of such lands; and in all cases where any of such settlers are still in possession of the lands so claimed by them, respectively, the value of the

same and of the improvements thereon shall be determined as of the date of the passage of this act.

Sec. 2. That upon the ascertainment of such values of said lands and improvements, respectively, as hereinbefore provided in section 1 of this act, the secretary of the interior is hereby authorized and directed to issue to said settlers, severally and respectively, a certificate of indebtedness, in which it shall be stated the exact amount each of such settlers is entitled to in accordance with the ascertained value of such lands and improvements as provided for by the first section of this act, and on the presentation of such certificates by such settlers, respectively, to the secretary of the treasury of the United States, warrants shall be drawn in favor of such settlers, respectively, for the amounts, respectively, so ascertained to be due by the secretary of the interior as aforesaid, which warrants shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, an amount sufficient to meet the payment of all such warrants so drawn as aforesaid.

Sec. 3. That in the event of the death of any of such settlers the secretary of the interior is hereby authorized and directed to ascertain and certify the value of such lands and improvements in the name of the legal representatives of such settler so deceased, and payments shall be made to such legal representatives in like manner as above. Provided, however, that no assigned claim of any settler shall have any recognition under the provisions of this act.

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