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EDUCATION AND SELF-DEPENDENCE.

There was a normal school at Weston, and this school was one of three that the Legislature left without appropriations for their support.

Moreover, The Oregonian believes that this theory of expecting the state to educate everybody for the whole duties of life, or for the particular duties of life, is a mistake.

Again, The Oregonian believes that young people should make some exertion for their own education, and that their parents should realize their responsibility to help; moreover, that whole responsibility and charge should not be thrown on the state.

To The Oregonian it makes no difference whatever what this state or many other states do in this matter.

ANTHIQUITY OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE. Governor Shafrath, of Colorado, in a speech in New York a few days ago, predicted that woman suffrage would become universal in this country.

CAUTIONS FINANCING. The influence of dollar wealth, 16-cent cotton and similar gilt-edged collateral is much in evidence in the general financial situation throughout the country.

Representative B. F. Jones will be named Receiver at Roseburg by his patron, Senator Hume. Thus, in spite of direct primaries, State One, corrupt practice laws and hypocritical assumptions of political virtue, the old method of recompensing members of the Legislature for their vote for United States Senator continues.

Attorney-General Crawford is "no smart man." He can't see that one of the definitions of three is five or seven. You see some men's minds lack flexibility.

ulation and, in 195 B. C., marched to the Forum and started a regular twentieth century "rough house." This particular grievance, which brought on one of the first militant suffragist movements, was, however, an exceptionally cruel one, as it was directed against a law which prohibited women from wearing garments of more than one color.

NOW IF IT HAD HAPPENED HERE? The troop ship Prairie ran aground soon after leaving Philadelphia, and the gunboat Princeton had a similar experience in the same harbor.

COLD WEATHER AND SUN SPOTS. The hard-winter prophet, who saw the squirrels last fall laying in very large store of cold-weather provender and sounded a warning to the doubling of the price of the article.

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