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## That many students of o

state go elsewhere to study is a fict that is attracting attention.
The Pendleton East Oregonian, speaking of this matter, is quoted as follows:
"That there must be some advantages enjoyed by the Wash-
ington school seems evident. In ington school seems evident. In
the case of the Whitman this the case of the Whitman this might be attributed to its prox-
imity, and with the University imity, and with the University is near a large city. Admitting that this is in
measure true the Portland Ore gonian gives other reasons why
our students go abroad and proposes some remedies, which, ceptable to the country districts of the state. This great paper takes occasionto speak highly
our beloved OAC. It says: The Oregonian thinks it supply a better reason for pre-
ference by Oregon students for the Washington schools. simply that the institutions are, State pride is not sufficient to hold our own students to our home institutions if the educahave to offer are not at least equal to the advantages to be
obtained elsewhere. The Oregon Legislature has for years made aggregate very large for institutions of higher learning. It has, indeed, gone to the extreme of
generiosity in that direction, bu it las made the mistake of dis various schools, with the result that there is not a single insti tution in the State of Oregon of because of the liberal Gevern ment appropriation, the Stat Agriculture College at Corvalli any other college, and that it doing good work; but othe schools are, we think, below the might attain if the state could afford to give them larger ap propriations. It cannot affor them, and should not be called upon to do it. If the norma
schools were to be consolidated it would be possible to provid apparatus builin in faculty and stude, buildings, curriculum a school that would bear favor able comparison with any simila The mistake we have made is in attempting to place our normal school on the same basis as the We cannot do it. The State Uni versity, with something over 200 by the distribution of the state' money to a number of small in
stitutions, and it has been in jured, too, in point of attendanc by is location. If the Stat
University were to be placed a Portland and united with the ormal schoois, it would be pos magnificient institution a single every citizen might well be idea that any suggestion of this kind will ever be adonted this cause of the clamor that would go up throughout the state that Portland is trying to kill off the normal schools and the Stat University in order to revive scheme. Yet The Oregonian is not icoved in this matter by any consideration for the benefit of Portland. It is sure that the be the best thing for such be the best thing for such a
school, but, as it has already
 What then is practical? It is mal schools with the State University and give them, by liberal ympathetic public interest, and by united effort from all quarters out the Northwest that will not only keep our students at home,
but will attract students from other states.

## ERA OF FINE STOCK

The conditions are favorable in Oregon for the stock raisin be mild in fact, very favorable. art of the state postern he Willamette valley, gives im munity from the necessity of foed for stock in this section dur ing the winter months. A er part of the storm season stoc? will and many winters are mild that a stock raiser may al low his animals to run at large
uncared for twelve months of the year.
From the above it is readily seen that an Oregon raiser of stock has his Eastern competivery start so far as natural conditions are concerned. Then, rains there is ever of warm of grass-even in the supply iere is more or less press iser f as an asset if he is in Western industry will forge ahead ther no doubt. As yet it is in it course of years yet to come such herds and droves of cattle wil tion to those at present engaged in the business.
The greatest and best sign of he world to be in this part o our stockmen are striving to improve and build up the business To their herds; they are breeding
to attention to their herds; they are breeding
better; they are one and all anxsatisfied with nothing but the best. There is no doubt but the
great exhibit of stock which has recently been held in Portland but which closes today, has been productive of great good. men of all classes of businesses have made it a point to go to Portland during the stock show home has declared that the ex hibit was simply immense. It is attracted more attention than any one feature of the Exposimust result.

## Wanted a Homestead

Strange people beget queer an recently reached Oregon hauling lodged in his cranium the ide stead almost auy where within a few miles of our country cities.
Notwithstanding the fact that Notwithstanding the fact that he
possessed three farms in Kansas and from this one would figure ne gentleman to be of average
ntelligence) he wanted moie land and the probabilities are that his greed led him to believe every
absurd story told him. Such being the case, it is but natural to luded to fill him up good and enty. The Albany Herald tells A Kansas follows:
A the Exposition who visit came to Albany Sunday a week, ook around and ste if he could uestion was, how good a piece f goverument land he could take ithin fise miles of Albany. I good 160 acres could be secur, he said he did not min perfect the arrangements, when e had to return to his home in arms to look after. When told


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