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In the opinion of the governor and other state officials the referendum cannot be taken on items of the appropriation bill, but must be taken as to the whole, or not at all. For instance, the appropriations for the normal schools cannot be attacked alone, says the Salem Journal. As the whole proceeding is to be under the initiative and referendum amendment of the constitution, it would be held by the courts that the normal schools could not be singled out alone to be held up, and their appropriations would probably be recognized as legal as any, and they would be warranted in asking for certificates for claims, and would run just the same as any other institution. That would be followed by litigation that might result in giving them a legal status that they are not entitled to, and defeat the very object the present agitation is directed against. A movement by the initiative to abolish two of the normal schools, and put the other two under one board of regents would stand a far better chance of accomplishing results than the present referendum of the whole appropriation bill. Hanging up the whole bill to punish the normal schools is too much like burning down the house to get rid of an undesirable tenant. Even if 4500 names can be got to the petitions to refer the whole bill, it is very uncertain whether the bill would not be held up by the people. A campaign would be made and the number of men who would attack educational appropriations on the stump before the people is very small. It would be shown that even little Idaho is paying more for her educational institutions than Oregon, that California has six normal and technical training schools, and that Washington gives her three normal schools 125,000 each, or more than Oregon gives for support for all four, voters will consider that this state is getting off cheaply, and will vote for the bill. The campaign of those who would advocate abolishing all normal schools would not get very far as it is contrary to all sound judgment in educational matters. There is not a state in the Union but supports normal schools and supports them more liberally than Oregon for the training of the common school teachers. The common schools can only be weakened, crippled and rendered inefficient by cutting off the normal schools and when the matter is fully threshed out the people will

never consent to their abolition. The people of Oregon will never deliberately get in a class by themselves as opposed to schools.

The Oregonian gives the segregated cost for clerk hire at the recent session of the legislature. The total amount, \$27,387.40, is as much as was required as expenses for an entire session a few years ago. The senate is by far the most extravagant body, expending \$11,780 for the clerical aid it required. Not content with allowing clerks pay for the entire session of 40 days, in its magnanimity the senate voted the overworked (?) clerks from 9 to 20 days' overtime for evening work. The sum expended by the house for clerical aid was \$9290, while \$6317.40 was the sum paid joint committee clerks in the investigation of state institutions.

Government of college students by boards of honor is succeeding. The last report is of a Princeton freshman who cheated at an examination and was promptly expelled by the board of honor, all of whose members are students. His name was suppressed in order that he may not be permanently stigmatized. This plan of relying upon the honor of the students instead of the detective ability of the faculty has always been in force at the University of Virginia, and of late years it has been introduced into Northern colleges. A system that develops a fine sense of honor is worth more than all the text books can teach.

The property owning citizen is reminded that these are the days of the taxpaying season by the receipt from the sheriff of little statements which remind him forcibly of how he obtains good and stable government.

"Secretary John Hay," says the Baltimore Sun, "looks like too able a man to part his hair in the middle." It may be said in defense of Secretary Hay that there are few men of his age who can part their hair anywhere.

When a man in any position gets to thinking he is the whole thing, and no longer needs counsel or friends, he has reached the limit of his public usefulness.

Mrs. Chadwick might take advantage of the notoriety she has gained and raised the money to meet her liabilities by going on the stage a few months.

The people of this country are anxiously waiting to hail the hero who will overcome the lone bandit while he is proceeding to hold up a train.

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Notice.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the matter of the estate of Angus McDonald, deceased, settled. Notice is hereby given that I, Hugh Worthington, executor of the estate of Angus McDonald, deceased, filed my final account and report in the said estate on the 2nd day of February, 1905, in the County Court of Umatilla County, Oregon; that Hon. H. J. Bean, County Judge, thereupon appointed Saturday the 4th day of March, 1905, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, as the time, and the County Court House as the place where any and all objections to said final account will be heard and the settlement of the same passed upon. Dated this 3rd day of Feb., 1905. Will M. Peterson, Hugh Worthington, Attorney. Executor.

Notice.
In the County Court of the state of Oregon, for Umatilla County. In the matter of the estate of Permelia Stone, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that I have been duly appointed executor of the estate of Permelia Stone, deceased, by the above entitled court. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present them to me at the law office of Will M. Peterson, Athena, Oregon, with proper vouchers as by law required, within six months from first date of this notice. Dated this 31st day of January, 1905. Will M. Peterson, E. H. Stone, Atty. for Estate. Executor.

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