

# PUBLIC SCHOOL SEARCHLIGHT.

**Definite Information—Oregon at a Big Disadvantage—Gauge of the American Book Company Shown Up—Comparison of Prices in Adjoining States—Union Ticket will Settle the Question.**

A matter for consideration during the present campaign is that, the cost of school books to the State of Oregon, (2) the reason why we are paying an unusually high price (3) the methods that have been followed by the American Book Company—the holders of the present contract for high prices with the state (4) the remedy. The state superintendent in his last report states that there are enrolled in our public schools \$7,312 children. Under even reasonable rates the cost of school books for this array of children is large; but under extortionate rates, as now prevail, the cost is enormous. We are paying from twenty per cent to forty per cent more for school books and books of inferior worth in point of development—than any other state in the Union. This will be shown.

The contract made with the American Book Company by the State Board of Education went into effect January 1, 1920, and is to run until January 1, 1921. The most remarkable feature of this contract is that the State Board of Education contracted with the American Book Co. to furnish text books at a higher rate than the company's catalogue price; or, in other words, the State Board bound the school children of this state to pay a higher price for school books

Name of Book	Catalogue Price	Idaho Price	Oregon Price	Per Cent Increase
Hornes' First Reader	20	20	20	0
Hornes' Second Reader	25	25	25	0
Hornes' Third Reader	30	30	30	0
Hornes' Fourth Reader	35	35	35	0
Hornes' Fifth Reader	40	40	40	0
Hornes' Primary History U. S.	60	60	60	0
Hornes' Brief History	1.00	1.00	1.00	0
Hornes' General History	1.60	1.60	1.60	0
Fish's Arithmetic No. 1	30	30	30	0
Fish's Arithmetic No. 2	40	40	40	0
Hornes' Primary History U. S.	60	60	60	0
Hornes' Brief History	1.00	1.00	1.00	0
Hornes' General History	1.60	1.60	1.60	0
Montieth's Elementary Geography	50	50	50	0
Montieth's Comp. Geography	75	75	75	0
Smith's Elem. Physiology	1.00	1.00	1.00	0
Webster's Hygienic Phys.	45	45	45	0
Webster's Prim. Dictionary	1.00	1.00	1.00	0
Academic Dictionary	1.60	1.60	1.60	0

There is not a public school book of this company used in Oregon, but the patrons are bound by contract to pay more than the American Book Co. asks the public at large for the same publication. Common sense tells us that the contract of this company with the state should be at figures below the catalogue price, since contractors for large supplies furnish them at rates much below those asked for single articles. Under the present contract over \$7,000 school children of our state are bringing a vast amount of unnecessary money as a daily tribute to this corporation monopoly.

## IDAHO AND OREGON PRICES COMPARED.

Name of Book	Idaho Price	Oregon Price
Maxwell's Introd. Gram.	30	30
Song Wave	65	65
High School Dictionary	88	88
Academic Dictionary	1.50	1.50

Comparisons of eighteen supplementary books shows that the American Book Co. supplies its books to Idaho at an average per cent decrease from catalogue price, 29.72; average per cent increase in Oregon on catalogue price, 14.11; average per cent increase in Oregon over Idaho price, 43.17. The Idaho child pays 30 cents for Maxwell's Introductory Grammar, and the Oregon child, pays 45 cents. The Oregon child, by forwarding 40 cents to the American Book Co's Eastern publishing house will receive the book by mail. The postage is 6 cents; the company receives 24 cents net, 4 cents more than is paid by the Idaho child. The Idaho child gets the book

Category	Idaho Price	Oregon Price
Readers	80	80
Speller	80	80
Geography, Elemen.	80	80
Advanced	1.20	1.20
Mental Arith.	80	80
Primary	80	80
Advanced	80	80
Language Lessons	80	80
Advanced	80	80
History	80	80
Primary	80	80
Advanced	80	80
Physiology	80	80
Primary	80	80
Advanced	80	80
Copy Book	80	80
Civics	80	80

Information and price lists may be obtained by any one directly from the state superintendent of the above states. Any one wishing to investigate this matter independently should get such information at once from them.

**THE LAW PROVIDING SCHOOL BOOKS IN THESE STATES.**  
In California the books are published by a limited market, the state seems able to give better prices than the American Book Co. can give in Oregon. It has been suggested that Oregon might buy the plates of the Cali-

## More Union Meetings.

Speakers for People's Democratic-Silver-Republican Cause.

Two of the State Officials From Washington Where Union Has Been Tried.

The very efficient and energetic Union state committee announce the following additional appointments for the Oregon campaign:

**Cyclone Davis will speak at Silverton, Saturday, May 21, at 1:30 p. m., and at Salem at 7:30 p. m., same date.**

**JUDGE WM. S. CROWELL.**  
Grants Pass, May 20, 1:30 p. m.  
Eugene, May 21, 7:30 p. m.  
Albany, May 23, 7:30 p. m.  
Salem, May 24, 7:30 p. m.  
Oregon City, May 25, 7:30 p. m.  
Hillsboro, May 26, 7:30 p. m.  
McMinnville, May 27, 7:30 p. m.  
Dallas, May 28, 7:30 p. m.  
Corvallis, May 30, 7:30 p. m.  
Roseburg, May 31, 7:30 p. m.

**MON. ROBERT BRIDGES**  
Commissioner of Public Lands State of Washington and

**HON. CHAS. G. HEIFNER**  
Insurance Commissioner State of Washington will address the people of the State of Oregon on the political issue of the day in behalf of the Union ticket at the following times and places:

Portland, Saturday, May 28, 8 p. m.  
Oregon City, Monday, May 30, 8 p. m.  
Woodburn, Tuesday, May 31, 2 p. m.  
Salem, Tuesday, May 31, 8 p. m.  
The Dalles, Wednesday, June 1, 8 p. m.  
Pendleton, Thursday, June 2, 8 p. m.  
La Grande, Friday, June 3, 8 p. m.  
Baker City, Saturday, June 4, 8 p. m.

**BON. JOHN M. GEARIN**  
will address the people of Oregon on the political issues of the day in behalf of the Union ticket at the following times and places:

The Dalles, Monday, May 23, 8 p. m.  
Pendleton, Tuesday, May 24, 8 p. m.  
La Grande, Wednesday, May 25, 8 p. m.  
Baker City, Thursday, May 26, 8 p. m.  
Eugene, Monday, May 30, 8 p. m.  
Albany, Tuesday, May 31, 8 p. m.  
Silverton, Wednesday, June 1, 8 p. m.  
Gervais, Thursday, June 2, 8 p. m.  
McMinnville, Friday, June 3, 8 p. m.  
Portland, Saturday, June 4, 8 p. m.  
Hons. R. M. Veatch, and Geo. No land will speak at the following times and places.

**LINCOLN COUNTY.**  
Toledo, Friday, May 20, 8 p. m.  
Siletz, Saturday, May 21, 2 p. m.  
Newport, Saturday, May 21, 8 p. m.  
**BENTON COUNTY.**  
Corvallis, Monday, May 23, 8 p. m.

**HON. GEO. CHAMBERLAIN.**  
Corvallis, Monday, May 23, 8 p. m.  
Lebanon, Tuesday, May 24, 2 p. m.  
Albany, Tuesday, May 24, 8 p. m.  
Silo, Wednesday, May 25, 2 p. m.  
Jefferson, Wednesday, May 25, 8 p. m.

**KING AND SOVEREIGN.**  
Their Itinerary Arranged for Two Weeks.

Senator W. R. King, the Union candidate for governor, spoke at Heppner Saturday night. He will return at once and he and J. B. Sovereign will speak at Medford at 1:30 p. m. on Monday. Their itinerary has been arranged as follows:

McMinnville, May 18, 8 p. m.; Forest Grove, May 19, 1:30 p. m.; Hillsboro, May 19, 8 p. m.; Oregon City, May 20, 8 p. m.; Medford, May 21, 8 p. m.; "Cyclone" Davis, the Texas Populist, arrived Saturday morning and will begin the campaign at once. td

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It is getting well without cutting or scraping, so they do not know as much as they thought they did, but you are all right, for you have done just what you said you could do. I will answer any questions you ask about my leg. Very truly yours,  
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