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COST OF SCHOOL BOOKS. The statement has been published that the Oregon text books for the public schools were to numerous and too expensive.

When the adoption was made it was shown that these text books were a great deal cheaper-about one-thirdthan the books formerly used.

That statement still stands, but as the time comes for appointing a new e commission it is stated that these text books cost the people too much.

The Journal throws out the statement, and challenges contradiction, that no state in the Union has better or cheaper books for the number, or for the number of years covered.

Here is a statement of the cost of text books for the first nine grades of the elementary schools in Oregon: Gr. Subject. No. Books. Cost.

S-History ... 1.60 

Recapitulation-No. books required 24.14.1.1.1.1.1.27 No. subjects required ..... 9 Total cost of books during eight Average cost per year ..... 1.221/2 Optional Subjects-Music-2 books .... .....\$ .68

Drawing-2 booke ..... .25 There are a great many supplementary books that teachers can buy, or that can be made optional in city schools with certain classes.

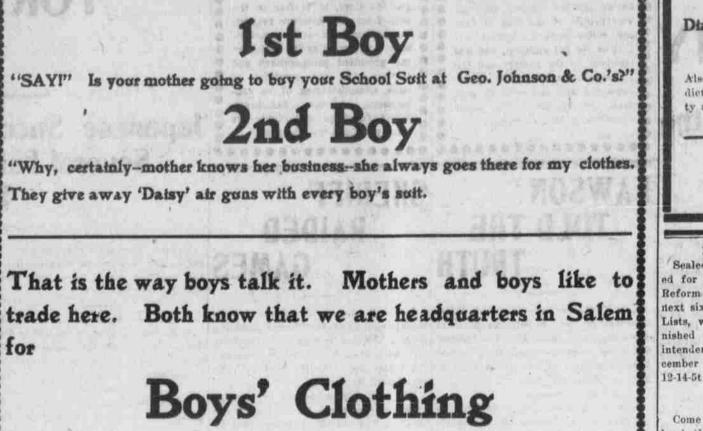
This list might be reduced, but as a matter of fact it does not affect the general situation so fas as the common grades are concerned.

The common grades might get along with one geography instead of two, with one history and one language book or grammar instead of two each.

A saving and reduction might also be made in the music and drawing books, many of which are now bought and afterwards not used.

If the Governor would reappoint the present commission there is no doubt but that weak points in the present adoption would be remedied and a reduction made in the total expense to the people.

Those who make war on the present Oregon text book system certainly do



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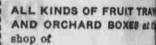


ago Mays accomplished the defeat of taxes on the land thus acquired and ments into mere adjuncts of political Moody for renomination to congress, squatters lost everything they had on plunder.

securing the plum for one of his their little mountain ranches. friend, J. N. Williamson. This defeat The Northern Pacific relinquished department are all, so far as the public one cardinal principle we claim-anywas followed by the indictment of thousands of acres, yes miles and know, faithful and competent public body can give full weight-we guar-Moody for frauds in connection with miles of worthless sand hills and cactus servants.

s the rule in this mill-we care not The present police force and the fire what it is in others. But that is only

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so ignorant of previous conditions, or for the purpose of forcing changes that the people.

## FRENZIED POLITICS.

The hand that directed the prosecu- utation was saved, tion in the so-called Oregon land frand eases has at last been unmasked. It is the hand of revenge.

venge, how sweet! even when long de-strong evidence to secure a conviction. forred.

second district of Oregon.

Multnomah county is no longer the scene of action has been transferred to Wasco county, the big bunchgrass that he has fostered and nurtured conand other high officials come from.

The land fraud cases pale into insignificance compared to the motive. Futhre politics are at stake, and they onnational, state, district, even county.

exploited 7-11 matters but little, when There was probably frand committed present trials. the real deal is told.

It will take pages to tell it.

to the early days of the Eastern Oregon country. It had a small start at under the guise of law first, and was not like the proverhial The Northern Pacific railroad comstone that gathered no moss.

Two banks were rivals. The competition for trade from the vast Iuland in Oregon, and it never paid one cent Empire contering at The Dalles drove for it, yet it was acquired "tawfully." the money leaders into politics. Each A steal bill was passed, allowing the institution was composed of men with tailroad to relinquish "such land as it aspirations.

and the other was backed by the Mays vacant government land in any state of the opposition aldermen. family. It was a case of relatives oper- through which the railroad passed "? ating in the affairs of the business and The Northern Pacific has a few miles trying to organize the next city counpolitical world.

Moody oppposed Mays, and vice it sneaked into Oregon under that flimversa. They had turns at the wheels of av pretext. It laid scrip on unsurveyed patroange, and they both used every lands in the heaviest timber belt in spoils politicians they will try to reopportunity to feather their own nests, the world,

Their hatred increased, and two years | The Northern Pacific refuses to pay

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the postoffice matters. It was openly plain in Montana, Idaho and Eastern charged at the time that polities were Washington, and received serip. Was be permitted to throw them out, or a may be inferior or more expensive on at the bottom of the whole deal, and that "protecting" the rights of the single one of them. The Republican that Mays was under the whole mess, people of Oregon.

just to even up with his rival Moody. Crucify the little fellow. Use the The latter was acquitted, and his rep federal and state courts to "even up" old scores. Do this and other things men should sustain efficient public ser-Now we are startled with the and in the name of justice. viec.

nouncement that Senator Mays has But, with Mr. Heney's assistance, been indicted by the grand jury on a may the great corporate interests be should not proceed to reward the It is the old, old story of an eye for land fraud charge. The evidence is protected, and the real fraud on the heachmen of any faction that fought an eye, and a tooth for a tooth. Re- said to be strong, but it will take rights of the people of the state go the Republican ticket with appointunpunished. ments.

It must be unbiased testimony of Why not investigate the authors of It is said to be the hand of Malcolm people who are not interested in the the law allowing the railroad company elected owe this city a progressive busi-A. Moody, ex-congressman from the land frauds, and not come from the these privileges?

throats of self-confessed culprits. Moody always had more or less fa- ten years if it is necessary, and let the ery branch of the public service, seat of Republican state politics. The vors at the hands of the administration people know how they were betrayed by legislation? at Washington. It is more than likely

Why spend thousands of dollars to borough, where congressmen, governors siderable of the determination on the ferret out alleged fraud in a dozen part of Hitchcock and his special claims, and pass up and mildly blink agents to smoke out the "rascals." at the real steal?

Will Mr. Heney dare go back to the The hatrod that Hitchcock bears toward Hermann and his friends has been congressional records and learn who ter into every department of the game, a portion of the compound that the fathered, fostered and concocted the infamous Northern Pacific steal bill! people of Oregon are now getting. Whether McKinley, Tarpley, Puter, It is doubtful whether sentence will In the mean time the hand of Malet al., procured 12 claims in the well- ever be served in any of these cases, colm A. Moody is in evidence in the

> in many instances, but it is only a shadow of the wrongs that have been A

The history of the case dates back in inflicted upon the people of Oregon and the homeseekers throughout the West

January 1st, is composed of Republipany grabbed hundreds of thousands of eans throughout,

acres of the most valuable timber land The city council stands ten to four Republican, and at least one of the four is a life-long Republican-Alderman Skaife.

The effort of a small faction of polidid not desire, and to take lieu land ticians to defeat part of the city ticket One firm was headed by the Moadys scrip, which could be located on any failed, although they helped elect some

This same faction is now said to be

TION.

of track from Kalama to Portland, and cil, and cleat some of their heachmen to the fat places.

With the help of a few Democratic

tire men on the police force and in the fire department who will not do their bidding.

The plan involves the election of a street commissioner who will stand against street improvement, and keep a squandering public money on the favorites of the faction.

No Republican should stand for the nuversion of the police and fire depart- Candy sale at the Spa this week.

A combination of bosses should not party should stand for better things. The Republican party officials and Wild Rose flour. the ten or eleven Republican alder-

Beyond all other things Republicans

The Republicans who have been ness policy, and that means the reten-Why not send out spics for the next tion of first-class public servants in ev-

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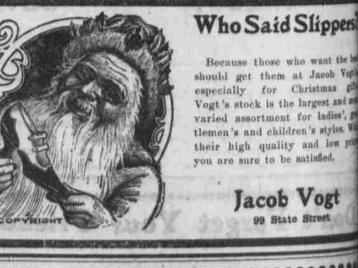
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