

# SIDELIGHTS, STATE AND NATIONAL

## JOHN STARK'S WEEKLY COMMENT LETTER.

### The Way an Oregonian Sees the Moves and Plays.

A report comes from Salt Lake of a school girl who refused to take off her bonnet to old glory and the authorities did not know what to do next. Why they did not burn her at the stake as was done with Joan d'Arc we are not told. It is said she is a very intelligent person for her age, but no such report is sent out regarding the authorities.

It seems that the flag was made in Japan and the little Miss found it out and insisted it was the product of a lot of cheap and ignorant foreigners and not representative of America. Of course to prove the child that this was a free country and to convince her of the error of her ways it was decided to take drastic measures with her, so she was suspended from school, certainly a convincing argument.

By the way, if I am not mistaken hunting is imported duty free, in the interest of patriotism. If hunting can be imported free of duty why not gingham?

The Governor in his message recommends a state eunuch factory as a preventive against propagation of imbeciles and criminals, and a legislator has a bill requiring candidates for Hymen to obtain health certificates from some M. D. with fee attachments of course. Had those laws been in force during the youth of the parents of these "Honorable" what would be done with the taxes that are collected every year would seem to be a serious problem. On the other hand if there were no imbeciles and criminals who would pay taxes or who would demand them?

In Portland a few days ago a working girl was told she was a poor cook with the result she committed suicide. Now is the employer guilty of murder? Just reverse the problem. Had the servant hectoring the mistress to suicide would the affair have been quietly passed over, or would there have been an "investigation"?

A college professor has been looking up or down the pedigree of our most noted men and found they were all descendants of a woman who lived some eight hundred years ago. It would be presumptuous of a hayseed to inquire where he got such a complete chain, or if the information is worth the time this giant mind put in on the job but the thoughts will crop out to wonder why the rulers of that time did not sterilize every one but she and her male partners, then we would not have a nation of presidents, judges, Standard Oil magnates and college professors and not be bothered with the lower orders.

Trust your college professor to solve great problems. They may fail to become pensioners on Carnegie's bounty, but just wait till they hang the malefactors of great wealth as high as Haman on a gibbet of their gibberish.

Some years ago a Yale professor proposed to cure the economic ills of our country by refusing to associate with trust magnates. How simple, why not get our president to follow such advice then we would soon have a nice large funeral.

The Courier editor suggests amalgamation of the churches. I wonder what the result would be if all the churches in Oregon City should hold a convention and decide to abolish all the toll gates on the straight and narrow path that leads to the golden city, with pearly gates fastened with jasper hinges; would sell the little shacks they call churches, then build one large, beautiful structure that would be open the year around and not smell like an old abandoned mine; a building that would hold all the people of the city in comfort, then hire some person big enough for the job, one who not only had read the Bible and Catechism; but also knew the Mohammedan religion and the Baaman and Buddhism as well; one who was familiar with Ingersoll, Hume, Voltaire, Darwin and Huxley. Such a man could draw me from my reading and fireside. I should hear him gladly. Then the other gentlemen of the cloth could do something for which nature and education, or the want of education, has fitted them.

To look into the faces of some of the local clergy is like looking at a tombstone. The language of their expression silently speaks of the past; of dead things; like the inscriptions on monuments, or else the look speaks not at all. I do not mean to blame these men, for they are creatures of environment, birth and education, so much so that they may not arise higher than their surroundings. When they have but "their thumb worn creeds, their pious looks, their little deeds," as stock in trade, when no demands are for men who can speak with tongues on fire, they certainly need not furnish better goods than what the market demands.

To me appears a vision of a higher plane for the sons of man, where deeds will no more create dissension in the realm now occupied by what we broadly call theology where all men are drawn

toward the ideal of life, where the fear of death will no longer promote cowardly goodness, where there shall be no kings or subjects, no Greeks or slaves, where the fortresses shall fall into decay and the huge instruments of destruction shall turn to rust or be recast into articles of construction, where the moans of the tired mill girl shall be for ever drowned in the glad song of noble womanhood, where the jails shall never more contain a human brother, where the brother no longer enslaves a sister, where peace shall be on the young, gladsome earth, which even today produces a plenty, though the idlers stand in the market place, because no one has hired them; yet abundance of life's necessities are everywhere except that the laws of the exploiter has taken title to the fruits of the toiler. Do you tell me that is an impossible dream? Then look up your churches and throw the key in the river and stop praying for a heaven on earth, if you know it is impossible. Want and poverty is unnecessary.

Senator Bailey has resigned again, he has the habit. This time it is a go, so we are told. Whether the senate is better or worse. When he is out you may judge for yourself. Just as soon as the American people begin to ask a few questions they will wonder of what use a senate is to us; ask your neighbor that question, then note carefully the answer.

Do you remember the loud braying in the land of the free that the trusts were being busted at the time the supreme court ordered the dissolution of Standard Oil? Did it help you any, are you in any way better off, is oil cheaper? I noticed however that Standard Oil is paying bigger dividends, and the stock price rose from \$675 to \$1,186. Do you think Standard Oil hired the supreme court to hand down that decision?

When I read of the sufferings of the work people, during the big snow storm, I thought of the New Year's orgies by our best people and incidentally of the prosperity guff handed out by Taft and West in their lying thanksgiving proclamation, did you?

JOHN F. STARK

### LOGAN.

This part of the county was nearly cut off from connection with the outside world for several days. The mail failed to come and the telephones were out of commission. There were about 14 inches of snow and more damage was done to orchards and in telephone lines than in years. Prune trees were especially hard hit, many of them entirely broken down or uprooted.

Louis Funk, manager of the telephone lines, was unable to work at repairing, owing to sickness in his family but he had a force at work, under supervision of J. T. Fajlam and W. H. Bonney and, with a force at Logan, has all the lines in working order again.

Ole Thompson's barn roof gave way with the weight of snow and a good cow came near being killed but escaped with slight injury. Only a pile of potatoes saved the cow and her mate. Potatoes are good for something anyhow.

At the January Grange meeting Louis Funk and H. S. Anderson installed the new officers in an impressive manner. Both are past masters of Harding Grange.

An interesting program was given during the lecture hour. O. D. Robbins read a history of the formation of the order of Patrons of Husbandry and the declaration of purposes. There was a song by the Misses Brown, instrumental music by A. L. Funk, a paper by Mrs. H. S. Anderson, a short recitation by Roland Johnston.

The young son of J. Costello, who recently injured himself badly with a knife, is getting along well.

The news comes that Mrs. Hart, who formerly lived on J. M. Tracy's place, died recently in Portland.

W. E. Gromer, P. M. Kirchem, N. H. Smith and other hustling members of the Logan Farmers Equity Local, attended the county meeting at Mount Pleasant and are enthusiastic about the prospects for co-operation of farmers. At the last meeting of the local there was a full attendance and two members were added, as at the preceding meeting.

Come in, brother farmers, and give a boost. There seems good prospects that the society will keep on the right track until the goal is reached.

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### News of the W. C. T. U.

#### Interesting Column From the Temperance Workers.

Editor Courier:—  
The Courier has kindly promised us a place in their paper and we wish to express our gratitude for this courtesy to a Union. Will members please watch for the news notes of our work each week?

Our regular meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month. The February meeting will be held in the Pres. church, Mrs. N. M. Aldredge has charge of the program. We consider it every member's duty to be at every meeting unless kept away by illness.

To every woman in Oregon City it should be a privilege, as with our added responsibilities with the ballot we must inform ourselves on many subjects and we know of no better place than right here in the Womens Christian Temperance Union meetings. We intend to make it one of the main objects of our meetings to bring in such information to those who attend that they will feel themselves to be well informed citizens.

Good Citizenship is the subject for our February meeting. We wish also, at our next meeting, to appoint Supts. for several departments and urge all members to be present and ready to volunteer for service in whatever line they feel best fitted to fill. Remember each has at least one talent and that it is improved and multiplied only by use.

We are a large union as far as membership is counted, and I plead for more earnestness and consecration in this work in the coming months, for there is much to be accomplished.

We have organized a children's dept. in the work called "The

ings, and to be thoughtful about the great questions of temperance and self control."

Their pledge is as follows:—  
Trusting in God's help, I solemnly promise to abstain from the use of alcoholic drinks, including wine, beer and cider, from the use of tobacco in any form, and from profanity." Motto:—  
"Tremble, King Alcohol, we shall grow up." Parents please see to it that your children attend these meetings.

MRS. E. B. ANDREWS,  
Pres. W. C. T. U.

### Basket Social.

There will be a basket social at Lion's Mills school house Saturday night, February 8, particulars will be given later.

### H. M. CLARK.

Died, at Oregon City, January 23, 1913, M. H. Clark.

Mr. Clark was born in New York state July 25, 1844, and was married to Rosa A. Bunnell, August 22, 1866. There were born to them nine children, eight of whom are living. The wife and mother died August 23, 1910. The children living are:— Mable Kenyon, Curly, Neb.; Ethel Edwards, Kerwin, Kans.; Arma Newman, Belle Plains, Kans.; Ward Clark, Oregon City; Mary Frickey, Oregon City; Bessie Sperry, Aldine, Neb.; Carl and Miles Clark, Bryant, Colo.

When Mr. Clark was a boy he went to Michigan with his parents, and his happy boyhood days were spent there. At the age of 22 he was married to Rosa A. Bunnell, who died two and a half years ago.

In 1878 they moved to Smith County, Kansas, where they lived until Mrs. Clark's death, since when Mr. Clark has visited with his children.

### TWILIGHT

Miss Marie Harvey leaves Friday for an extended stay with her brother in Seattle.

G. M. Lazelle, one of the most kindly disposed men in this neighborhood, dispensed fresh cider to his community friends the past week.

Miss Elsie Swick and Earl Bentley passed a creditable and successful eighth grade examination last week.

Messrs. Casto and Brenner, county president and organizer of the Farmers Society of Equity, were agreeable visitors at our recent Community Club meeting.

The receipt of a telegram announcing the serious illness of Carl Schneider's mother, in Nebraska, hastened the return home of his brother, Ernest, last Saturday.

The Paul Eiling family is comfortably settled in the new home recently purchased in this vicinity.

William McCord, L. Matton and Mr. Buckley will serve the county in the capacity of jurymen the coming year from this locality.

This community has a number of very creditable young men approaching their majority.

Apples and potatoes are withstanding storage this winter in a very satisfactory manner.


We see but little in the press, relative to the cost of addition, now nearing completion, to our court house. Are not the taxpayers entitled to more explicit information with reference to such improvements than they seem to receive? Is it the county court or the newspapers that are responsible?

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marsh, late of Wichita, Kan., were guests at Foten Pole ranch Monday.

We are sorry to note the exclusiveness practiced by our new-ly-weds. Although thirty days and more have elapsed, society has seen but little of them.

### GLAD TIDINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ridings and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hammond visited with relatives Sunday, in the



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Loyal Temperance Legion," with Mrs. E. E. Rayburn at the head of this department. She is an experienced teacher and makes a capable leader.

These meetings are held in the Pres. church because we have here a pleasant, warm and commodious room for the meetings, convenient to all the school buildings, and we cordially invite all children here for 45 minutes every Friday at the close of school. Miss Muriel Moller is Pres. of the hand and makes a very successful presiding officer.

At the last meeting we distilled alcohol from cider and then burned it, proving to the children the injurious quality in hard cider.

The meetings will all be instructive as we have a regular lesson each meeting.

I quote from Article II of their constitution the object of the Legion: "Its object shall be the building up of character, the educating of the boys and girls in the principals of total abstinence and purity, and the training of them to become efficient workers along all lines of reform."

From Article 5 Company Rule: "Each boy or girl must, upon entering the Legion, assent to the following rule:—I promise to be quiet and orderly and attentive to the instructions of our leader and to all the exercises of the meet-

**Gard of Thanks.**  
We extend our heart felt thanks to the kind friends who helped us in the last sickness and death of our dear father.  
WARD and KATE CLARK, MARY and HENRY FRICKEY.

**CLARKS.**  
Rev. Kupp closed his revival meetings Sunday night. Charlie Harrington and Charlie Ralph are taking out trees for Sam Elmer.

Miss Elsie Elmer is attending school in Portland.

Mr. Bottemiller has been repairing his telephone line which was injured by the snow storm.

Tom Grace of Portland visited his sons Edward and Lawrence last week.

Jerome Panometer met with an accident the other day, having a dynamite cap explode, injuring his fingers.

Elmer and Willie Kliensmith have been sawing wood for Mr. Wellfanger.

Miss Esther Stout is home from Portland for a two weeks' vacation.

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Mollala country. Thomas Hammond, late of Oregon City, is now acting foreman on C. S. Herman's large farm near the town of Mollala.

Mr. Hammond speaks in the highest terms of Oregon City of the present day, and predicts for it a wonderful future.

C. A. Bengt has qualified and has again taken upon himself the Road Supervisorship of this district.

Christian Giger, an estimable and highly respected citizen of this community, is expected to live but a few days longer at most. In his passing we will lose a good neighbor, a true Christian, and a thorough gentleman.

Sam Low lost a valuable mare a few days ago, dropping dead in the harness, necessitating an outlay of at least \$200 in replacing her.

S. Usher's barn fell in during the late snow storm, owing to the weight of accumulated snow.

A shed belonging to C. McKimney was crushed also, and in falling broke a binder and mower.

Many apple trees, especially in old orchards, were uprooted and many shade trees in residence yards ruined.

Mr. Rue is expected home soon from Minnesota, where he has been visiting the past seven weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Naylor, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Naylor, Sarah Craignile and Mrs. Mary Carlton, the party consisting of four sisters and two brothers, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Len Judd.

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