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## THE WEATHER

Oregon, Washington and Idaho—Fair and warmer.

## DOING THE RIGHT THING.

There has been more or less complaint by those who have been denied the free use of the new Clatsop courthouse for public meetings that the county commissioners are exceeding their authority in refusing the building for such purposes; that it belongs to the people, was built by them and for them, and is amenable to their collective use, etc.; all of which sounds plausible enough until the matter is looked into from other view points. The beautiful building is but just finished; its newness, its freshness, are susceptible to disfigurement and abuse, and a general concession of the use of it to assemblages would soon put it beyond redemption as a place of business and resort.

There is nothing so heartlessly indifferent to the niceties of life as the ordinary crowd; none who expectorate so lavishly; none who scar and scratch and tear with such cold-blooded deliberation; none who knock and wear, misuse and disfigure so relentlessly, as the big and common crowds gathered at a point where there is something to abuse and mar; it seems to be a sort of fetish with crowds, that, is mixed crowds, to leave its mark on every smooth surface and ornamented atom within its reach, on the simple hypothesis of its utter irresponsibility to any one in particular, for the moment. And the commissioners of this county, knowing this, made a hard and fast order forbidding its use by any public assembly whatever, this order being duly signed and recorded, with the distinct approval of Judge McBride, and religiously observed to date.

In due time the great basement of the building will be finished, its big floor cemented and all things made comfortable, and with the fine heating apparatus there, will make an accessible and appreciable place for such purposes, and will, no doubt, be given over to them, under essential rules made by the court. As things stand the attitude of the court is just and correct, economically and in all ways.

## CLATSOP'S ALL RIGHT!

With three more years of careful and jealous administration on the part of the various county officers, such as has marked the preceding range herself alongside of "Old Marion," as one of the two counties in Oregon without public obligation; a condition that does more genuine good than all the debt-bearing, interest-eating "progress" that can be inspired. Long-drawn and long-borne debt, public or private, for the sake of expanding is one of the falsest doctrines to which the American people are committed; committed through the machination of those men of commerce who know its faculty for hampering and binding people and individuals so that the code of the despoiler may operate the more easily and surely.

Debt is a danger, always. No man or community, can flourish, really, and permanently, that wallows in debt. There may be exigencies where a passing debt will open up an opportunity for the realization of personal or communal expansion; and then only when that obligation is put at the shortest possible time limit and the lowest rate of interest attainable. And the people are learning this lesson slowly, but surely. Every bond issue nowadays is uttered for the briefest periods and on the lowest margins of interest; the government itself has

set the pace, and when the people have ascertained the sure value of keeping their obligations at home and in the hands of those whose interest lies in its quickest possible payment they will be on the high-road to achieving their salvation from what they are pleased to style the "octopuses" of the day; creatures of lust and power set up by the folly of the people themselves and their manifest ignorance of the commonest rules of finance.

Clatsop county is in a fair way to absolve herself from the burden.

## GOOD SENSE SUPERVENES.

Some time ago The Astorian was called upon to resentfully criticize the action reported as having transpired at the hall of the Suomi Temperance Society in which a flagrant resolution condemning and insulting the President of the United States was passed, along with an order, promptly obeyed, to turn his portrait then hanging there to the wall. The circumstance was plainly and boldly condemned all over the city, and from all sources with the frank reservation that it must have been done by some extraneous rabid influence quite detached from the sober sense and excellent reputation of that society.

And now that the people of that great organization have taken back the control of the situation there, have "cleared its skirts" of the ugly charge that fell to it through the inconsiderate action of a group of people momentarily in the society's "saddle," have disclaimed the text and tenor of the resolution and replaced the portrait of the President, and altogether purged itself of the incubus thrust upon it, it is in order to confirm the society's good sense and congratulate it on the complete redemption of a very painful episode it had wrought. We, with all others in the city, are heartily glad the matter is closed and trust nothing like it will ever be permitted to occur again in this city or county.

## EDITORIAL SALAD

Congress ought to hire a poet to rhyme for it, just as a chaplain is hired to pray for it. Amateur poetizing is provoking.

The retreat sounded on the Brownsville question looks like an admission that there was a mistake made in political tactics, if not in equity.

Uncle Sam's Armada is a success, and all the more because its mission is friendly to all other nations.

It is unlikely, after listening to the White House address, that the Mothers' Congress will ever adopt a Teddy bear rampant for its coat of arms.

Alexander Graham Bell says the recent flight of his aeroplane was a success, and the inventor of the telephone ought to be a good judge of a workable machine.

Japan will strike a bottom fact connected with its British alliance when it finds out how far the partnership appeals to the favor of the Old Lady of Threadneedle street.

In the shooting match in Magdalena Bay the men behind the guns are on their mettle, and the best marksman may hope to become as celebrated as the first baseball batsman of the year.

Mr. Vardaman of Mississippi refers to Mr. Bryan as "the sun-kissed, heaven-piercing mountain towering above the foothills of humanity." It is needless to say this measurement was not made with an electoral vote yard stick.

Australia offers an enthusiastic welcome to the American fleet in the Pacific. The Panama Canal will be of especial advantage to the Australians, and their appreciation of the people who are building and paying for it is highly valued.

## BANK CASHIER DEAD

George Couser, Cashier of the Heppner Bank Dead.

## WAS CIRRHOSIS OF THE LIVER

In the Flood Which Devastated Heppner Five Years Ago Mr. and Mrs. Couser Saved Themselves by Going Into the Second Story.

HEPPNER, Or., March 31.—Geo. Couser, cashier of the First National Bank at Heppner, died in this city at 3 o'clock this morning. He had been unconscious for the previous 48 hours, and death was momentarily expected by his relatives. The funeral will take place at Heppner on Thursday, interment being in the Heppner Cemetery.

Mr. Couser was born in Marion county, this State, in 1855. His father was one of the pioneers in the flouring mill business, having established a plant at Jefferson when wheat raising was in its infancy in the Willamette Valley. In 1890 Mr. Couser married Miss Lillian Rhea, daughter of C. A. Rhea, one of the early settlers of what is now Morrow county. Mr. Rhea is president of the bank of which his on-in-law has been cashier ever since its organization. Deceased has two brothers in Portland, W. S. (Shan) and H. P. Couser, and a sister, Mrs. R. O. Thomas of Turner, Oregon.

In the flood which devastated Heppner five years ago this coming June, Mr. and Mrs. Couser saved themselves by going into the second story of their house. Several persons were in the dwelling at the time and were urged to follow Mr. and Mrs. Couser, but did not do so and were drowned. The house washed down Willow Creek for a considerable distance and the couple was finally rescued. Mr. Couser did a great deal toward alleviating the sufferings of his fellow townsmen after the flood subsided, and handled the large amount of money sent to the survivors with marked justice and ability. The cause of his death is given as cirrhosis of the liver, from which he had been suffering for a number of years.

Mr. Couser was a prominent member of the A. F. and A. M. and of the Elks, which order will take part in his obsequies. A number of former Heppner people will be up from Portland to attend his funeral.

## IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS.

Don't Mistake the Cause of Your Troubles—An Astoria Citizen Shows How to Cure Them.

Many people never suspect their kidneys. If suffering from a lame, weak or aching back they think that it is only a muscular weakness; when urinary trouble sets in they think it will soon correct itself. And so it is with all the other symptoms of kidney disorders. That is just where the danger lies. You must cure these troubles or they may lead to diabetes or Bright's disease. The best remedy to use is Doan's Kidney Pills. It cures all ills which are caused by weak or diseased kidneys. Astoria people testify to permanent cures.

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## TO FIGHT IN MAY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 31.—Stanley Ketchell and Jack Twin Sullivan signed articles for a 35-round fight to take place at Coffroth's Mission-street arena Saturday afternoon May 9. Billy Roche was selected as referee.

## TEA

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## Before the People

Cards of Candidates in the Coming Campaign.



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Republican Nomination for  
**County Coroner**

## VOTE FOR



**C. A. Leinenweber**  
For Republican nominee for Representative to the Legislature.  
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## To The People.

In submitting my name to the electors of the Fifth Judicial District for their consideration for the office of District Attorney of said District, I desire to say that if I am nominated and elected, I will, during my term of office, honestly, vigorously and impartially perform all the official duties pertaining to said office, without fear or favor, endeavoring always to accord to every individual, irrespective of party, politics or personalities, a square deal under the law, keeping always uppermost in my mind the interests of the tax payers of said District and State.

E. B. TONGUE.

## Read Next Saturday's "Herald"

READ "WHO IS HENRY? WHAT IS HIS GRAFT?"

The true inwardness of the San Francisco graft prosecutions.

"Amateur Night" at the Star.

THE "KIDS" OF ASTORIA.

"Who's to Blame?" A prize puzzle of the police department.

On sale Saturday at all newsdealers. 5 cents per copy.

## Bilious Troubles

Bile causes no end of trouble. Sick headaches, bilious attacks, jaundice, constipation and many distressing ailments arise from an excess of bile, or from obstruction of the bile duct. Inactivity, sedentary occupations and indiscretion in feeding and drinking are bile blunders that need to be guarded against. When the liver is disordered the best bile correctives are

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