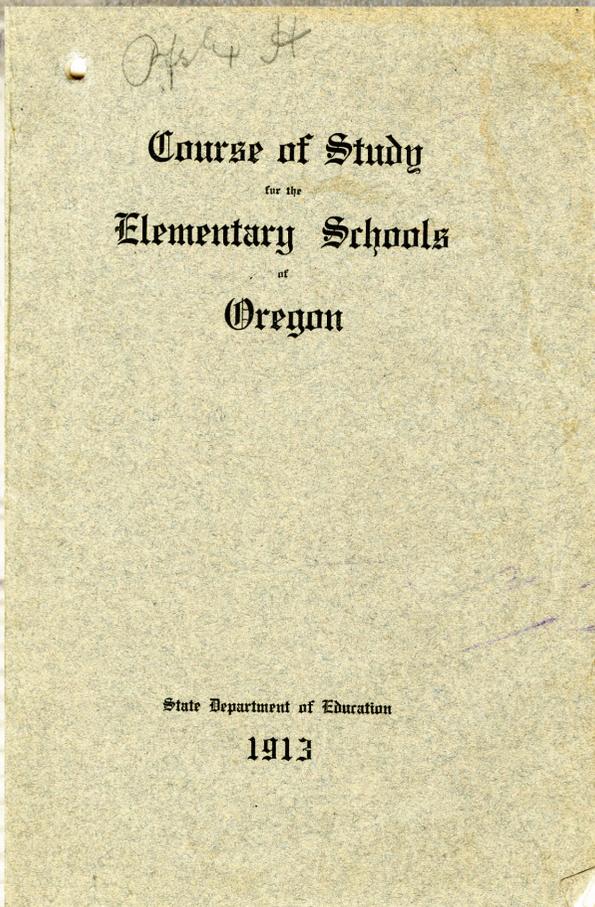


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Supreme Court Case File regarding teacher's activism



Supreme Court Case #8806,
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Quincy Fanatics Rampant

Mrs. Flora I. Foreman Assaulted, Then Arrested

Way last fall the Lutheran fanatics of Quincy made an attack upon Mrs. Flora I. Foreman, principal of the public school.

They were surprised at the result of that effort.

One, Mrs. Lumigarvi, who was clerk of the school by the grace of God and the required number of votes, was actively engaged in the attack upon Mrs. Foreman.

Also, Petty Larson was there. Petty Larson is a brilliant specimen of the Troglodyte gone to waste.

It was Petty Larson who struck Mrs. Foreman in the face, almost breaking her nose.

Petty Larson is also a Lutheran. The Lutherans of Quincy—the adult ones in particular—do not like Socialism.

In this attitude they stand with their ancient enemy, the Catholic Church.

The motive actuating the Lutherans and the Catholics is the same. They fear education in science.

Enlightenment in things scientific results in abandonment of religious creed.

Creeds cannot withstand the light. Religions thrive in darkness and ignorance.

Petty Larson and the Lumigarvi woman are fair types of the religious fanatic; they repudiate science and their own objective senses and accept the

dictum of a creed and the statements of their Bible as unimpeachable truth.

To their minds, Jesus was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,—a God incarnate,—and all the rest of it.

When science proves those allegations impossible the Petty Larson and Lumigarvi, and other Lutherans of Quincy, Oregon, hurl the lie into the teeth of science and declare that the Bible alone is true.

For Joshua the sun stood still upon Gideon and the moon over the valley of Ojalon; the ass rebuked the prophet Balaam; the whale swallowed Jonah to prevent him drowning, and God created out of nothing all the material universe in six days; also he made man in his own image, and Petty Larson preserves the image to this day.

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Mrs. Foreman is, in the minds of those Quincy Lutheran fanatics, a moral monster: she is a Socialist.

The charges against her last fall was: first, that she taught Socialism in the public school; second, that she was an anarchist; third, that she declared Jesus a mere man like other men and a rebel against the social system; that, in fact, he was a leader of the working men of his time; fourth, that she was guilty of immorality because she taught
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