

LOCAL NEWS

John Moe and family of Cascadia are here for the Christmas holidays.

Sigurd Moe came from Cascadia last Sunday.

R. E. DeDuire and Clarence Amos who have been at home on a ten day furlow, left for Bremerton where they reported for naval service Thursday. We are glad to learn that these two Silvertown boys are doing well. They say that they like Uncle Sam's work very much.

Reports from Cascadia are to the effect that the weather there is much warmer than in the valley. The coldest it has been at the John Moe homestead is only 26 degrees above zero.

Miss Gertrude Martin went to Salem Thursday to spend the day with friends.

Miss Leda Henderson who wields the scepter at the Evans Valley School went to her home in Salem Thursday to spend Christmas under the home roof.

Mrs. F. Hestetter and son were passengers for Corvallis Thursday morning to spend the holiday vacation with friends.

Miss Martha Horrem, teacher in the Parochial School, will spend Christmas with her cousins at Tinglestead.

Mrs. Ada Eastman left for Portland Thursday, where she will spend a couple weeks with her daughter and family, Mrs. Adamson Sletig.

Mr. and Mrs. Barkhurst and children are enjoying the Christmas cheer at the home of Mr. Barkhurst's mother in Portland and will also visit a sister of Mrs. Barkhurst, Mrs. Maulding, before their return.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Corkle and children were enroute for Portland Thursday morning to visit at the homes of their respective parents.

The Arthur Hobart, H. A. Brant and Roscoe Langley families will meet at S. F. Hobart's for a good old fashioned family reunion on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Egan were passengers for Dundee Thursday, where they will visit with Mrs. Egan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bower and family.

Mrs. Anna Foster and daughter Harriet of Corvallis are the guests of Miss Esther Hines during the holidays.

Mrs. W. Bailey and children came Thursday to spend the holidays at Mrs. E. Hains.

Mr. and Mrs. Brun will enjoy a visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Van Epps in Portland from Thursday of this week till the end of the year.

Mrs. O. E. Hattberg came in from Tinglestead Station Wednesday to do her Christmas shopping.

The R. S. Chandler family will partake of Christmas cheer with Mr. Oregon.

Harry Sprague went to Portland on Saturday of last week for an over Sunday visit with his sister and family, Mrs. C. C. Johnston.

Thos. Lusk was a passenger on the 7.20 north bound train Wednesday morning.

Miss Elizabeth Bigler accompanied Nellie Kinser to Scotts Mills Saturday to be in attendance at the funeral of Nellie's grandmother whose tragic death is recorded in another column.

The Jay Myers and Frank Syring families will spend Christmas at the Conkey home in Portland, parents of Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Syring.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Downs of Portland are guests at the J. M. Brown home and made The Journal a pleasant call.

Miss Jennie Hartman of Scotts Mills will be among the guests at the Charles Hartman home on Christmas day.

J. E. Hosmer, the heretic, is in Silvertown on a visit.

OBITUARY

The death of Clyde Phillip occurred on Monday morning December 21, at his home in Scio, Ore., at the age of thirty-five years. Deceased was born near Albany, Oregon, on September 30, 1879.

On April 3, 1901, he was married to Miss Ella Adamson, who only lived until October 21st of the same year. Later he married Miss Theresa Hutton, who with one child survives him.

Clyde Phillip was a well known business man of Silvertown for a number of years and much respected by all who knew him, and his death causes a feeling of sadness in the hearts of his friends here. Among those who attended the funeral from Silvertown were Everett Phillip, brother of the deceased, Miles Adamson, Mrs. T. A. Hutton and son, and Dwight Misener, who went to pay their last respects to a friend.

The funeral was held at Scio on Wednesday of this week and conducted by Rev. McClaine pastor of the church at that place.

Advertise in The Silvertown Journal. It has a large circulation here in Silvertown, on the rural routes and in every state in the Union. The Rum boycott is a thing of the past and the Roman boycott is a big bluff. Shake yourselves free and get our prices on a year's contract.

LOST — Black Shepherd Dog with short tail, and scar on his nose. Finder will please notify John Helm, Star Route Johnson Bx., Silvertown, Ore.

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Abiqua School met Friday at the home of Mrs. Black. The time was spent mostly in perfecting arrangements for the Basket Social and reports from committees of work under way. Matters pertaining to the welfare and improvement of the school are always discussed and all parents and others interested are urged to attend and join the association.

Mrs. Towne and Miss Nellie Smith were elected to membership, after which the ladies enjoyed a social hour over a dish of Mexican Chili-Con-Carne, after which they were ready to enjoy the cold weather which is unusual here. The next meeting will be at the school house Friday, January 14th, at 2:30 P. M.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOTES

Church services as usual Sunday morning. Bible School at 10, Preaching at 11. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 P. M. Special sermon at 7:30 with special music by the choir.

Christmas Exercises for the Bible School will be held Sunday Evening.

MORTENSON NEWS

The Basket Social given at the Abiqua School Saturday closed with splendid success. A very good program was given. The baskets sold as high as could be expected and a sum of \$34.85 was received which the directors will use to improve the school and to build a shed for the pupils to play in during the rainy and cold weather.

E. T. Smith is visiting his sister and father-in-law this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Town and Miss Eva Dieken called on W. H. Rufes Friday evening.

The Abiqua School received a reward for good attendance which averaged 96 per cent.

TIP TOP BREAD

fresh at 11:30 A. M. and 5 P. M. each day at Roger's Grocery.

Ralph Adams, Agent.

FOR RENT

Furnished Housekeeping Rooms. Call at Journal Office.

So long as the Catholic Church holds to the doctrine of God-ordained universal Monarchy under a Pope, her Hierarchs should be disfranchised in this country. They have no right to political privileges in a government by the people.

Giovanni Bonzano Papal legate at Washington, represents a species of politics that is everywhere destructive to liberty. He should be given his "walking papers," or be quarantined.

From the daily reports one would conclude that the holy priests are the only religious counselors in the battle fields of France and Belgium. Their bravery and pious activity and absolute stunts are played up in grand style. The McAll Mission Philadelphia, reports 200 Protestant ministers at the front, and 80 more to go soon; but such as these do not get the advertising.

The Pope asked the powers at war to lay off during the Christmas festivities. His request was turned down, but he got advertised, which probably answered his purpose.

"What is it to you or me if there are 6,000 priests and nuns in Havana who have fled Mexico? While we are sorry for Havana and Cuba, we have equal reason to congratulate Mexico over her riddance of the rubbish, as well as the United States over having menced that much of the plague."

Not a Senator or Congressman this year attended the Thanksgiving "Pan-African Mess."

President Wilson says, "I am distressed that our Catholic fellow-citizens do not more fully realize how frequent and serious our attempts have been to act in the interest of their people in Mexico." Bless his tender old soul, he needn't be distressed about a little thing like that! He couldn't satisfy that bunch of bachelors short of sending our army and navy to force that country back under the despotic yoke of the Hierarchy,—reconvert it to Romanism by fire and sword.

The Spiritualists are always demonstrating their ghostology by showing up the spirits. Why not the priests demonstrate their transubstantiation by having the "sacred host" repeat the Sermon on the mount?

AS IT SHOULD BE

In the school house in Belleville, Wis., a few evenings ago, upon motion of the Catholic priest, the Methodist minister was elected president of the community's social center for the coming winter.

Then three basket ball teams were formed, including the priest, the minister, the blacksmith, the editor, a farmer, the keeper of the village restaurant, a dentist, a clothier, a teamster a druggist a garage owner, the banker, the saloon keeper a hardware merchant and a house painter.

The differed in religion, in politics, in income, in social status as widely as men can differ. But in the common school building, in the free democracy of the social center, they agreed to lay aside their differences for the novel purpose of discovering how much good fellowship there was in meeting together, now and then, as equals, as brothers.

In the democracy of play, in the democracy of frank, fair discussion of public questions, they are finding out, these differing men of Belleville, that, as human beings, they're amazingly alike, once you get below the surface.

And out of this agreeable discovery will come, for Belleville, more tolerance, more kindness of feeling, more give and take than it had ever known before. Even when they shall differ again—and, of course, they often will—it won't be with as much bitterness, as much bigotry, as much mean hate as of yore.

It's a wonderful solvent, is brotherhood, and it will sooner or later destroy our differences.

THE FARMER AND HIS PAPER

"The farmer of today is entirely different from the farmer of yesterday," said Secretary C. N. McIlvaine, of the South Dakota State Fair, "and I really believe that the country newspapers have been the greatest aid to the farmer and made them what they are today. There is no better or quicker way to get an education than to read the papers. If a man is away from his home town his home paper comes to him like a long lost friend. It just seems to me, when I read my home paper, as though I was shaking hands with a chum. I think the articles written by Peter Radford have done more for the farmer than any series of articles I have ever read. Have you read his article on 'Political Preachers'?—It is one of the best he ever wrote. Every farmer and every farmer's wife should read it. It's great."

FORM IN LINE, PLEASE

We are doing a superior line of printing in our job department just now and our sale bills are the talk of the county. Week before last we got out an order of bills for a farmer north of town and they were so attractive and nifty that he couldn't begin to take care of the crowds that flocked to the sale. After getting the price for every animal, implement and article on the bill, the auctioneer simply couldn't stop. The people just clamored for more. The farmer, in the hope of driving them away, put up his mother-in-law. She brought \$160 on the hoof. Then he offered his mortgage for sale. A lifelong friendship between two old neighbors was shattered as each tried to outbid the other. It was finally knocked down to the richer man who was promptly knocked down by the poorer. He sold the weeds along the roadside. He sold a gold brick that he bought in Chicago during the World's Fair. He sold the ruts in the road in front of his place and then offered to sell the secret of where he had the sale bills printed. We cannot give the results as the returns are not all in. They are bidding yet. That's the kind of sale bills we print. Give us a call.

There was a certain institution in which were lodged a large number of girls and women. From a considerable part of this institution the public was rigidly excluded, — except a certain favored class of bachelors who might always freely mingle with the inmates. This house was a regular stopping place for this class of bachelors who lived at other places. It was understood that liquors of all kinds were kept on hand; that there were banquets and drunken orgies in which the bachelors and inmates participated. It was even thought probable that the girls were detained here against their will and unlawfully, and for purpose not compatible with good moral order. So, in the exercise of the authority vested in his office, the Governor with a squad of the State militia appeared suddenly at this institution to make an examination. They went through every part of it from garret to basement; opened all the closets in which girls were locked for "discipline;" released the victims who were being tortured in "doing penance;" unlocked the cells and dungeons and let out those who had offended the bachelors, or the female managers; interviewed the inmates separately to ascertain whether they were being held against their wish; broke into the arsenal and seized the guns and carried them away as prima facie evidence of traitorous designs. No, no! The Governor did not do that. This is only a dream. It was a road-house somewhere he looked after.

SCHOOL NOTES

The second vocational talk was given Wednesday morning by Mr. Adams. The subject was: The Qualities which are necessary for being a lawyer. These talks are greatly appreciated by the students.

The teachers training is practicing the musical movement in writing.

School will close Thursday noon for holidays which will last until January 4th.

The joint program by the societies will be given Thursday morning during the last two periods. Miss Small's portion of the 8th grade will have the opportunity to enjoy it.

The illustrated lecture given in the High School Saturday evening, by Dr. Hodge of the U. of O., was very good.

Parents are asked to attend as it affords us some of the opportunities enjoyed by the University. The next one to be given will be in January, but it is not yet decided which one it will be, but it is certain it will be worth your while.

On Wednesday afternoon the grades from the 4th to the 8th inclusive, will attend an illustrated lecture on "Children's Gardens" which will be given in the Opera House by an instructor from the Oregon Agricultural College.

LUTHERAN SYNOD CHURCH

Christmas Services will be conducted in the Norwegian language Christmas Day at 11 o'clock. The choir will render a Christmas cantata. Come and join us in worshipping the Christ-child.

On Saturday, December 26th, at one o'clock we will have our Christmas Tree Festival, when a program will be rendered by the children, choir and young people of the church. An offering will be taken for our Orphan Home at Packard, Wash. All are welcome to these services.

Friday, December 18, the Parochial School closed for a two weeks Christmas vacation. The children surprised their teacher by serving a warm lunch at noon. In the afternoon a short program was rendered, after which the children were treated to pop corn and candy by their teacher, and they in turn presented their teacher with a fountain pen. About 26 children have been regularly attending the school this season. Some more are expected after Christmas.

Rev. A. O. White has been very sick since Saturday, but much better at the present writing.

A number of the girls from the Christian Sunday School met at Mrs. C. M. Wray's Tuesday evening to make socks for the Christmas Candy.

Little Evelyn Lais was quite sick the first of the week and unable to attend school.

There will be a vacation of two weeks at the Parochial School.

Miss Alida Digerness left for Eugene Wednesday morning for a two weeks' visit with friends at that place.

Mrs. F. Dury and sister, Miss Louise Helming, who has been making her home here the past few weeks, were north bound passengers Wednesday morning, going to spend the holidays with the home folks at Troutdale, Ore. They were accompanied by Miss Edith Holm also of Troutdale, who will remain there indefinitely.

E. H. Ellingsworth, the hustling traveling salesman for the Rawleigh products, with his wife and daughter were Wednesday morning passengers for Portland en route for Camas, Wash., for a week end visit with his mother, Mrs. Frank Welch.

Hazel Hartman entertained a bunch of her girl friends last Saturday evening. The occasion being to celebrate her 10th birthday. A lovely lunch was served by her grandmother, Mrs. Cobb, assisted by Miss Madsen, which was enjoyed by all. At 8:30 they wished Hazel many happy returns of the day and wended their way homeward.

HOW WE GET THE NEWS

Day before yesterday a perfectly nice lady called us up and with tears in her voice reproved us for not mentioning the fact that she had had a friend visiting her last week. We told her that she had not let us know anything about it and that therefore, we did not know that she had a visitor. Then she said, "Well, you should have known. I thought you were running a newspaper." Wouldn't that rattle your sats? Some people think that an editor ought to be a cross between Argus and Anna Eva Fay. They seem to think that our five senses are augmented by a sixth that lets us know everything that happens, even if we see, hear, feel, taste or smell it not. Dear lady, editors are only human or at least, almost human. If you have a friend visiting you, if you are going away, or have returned from a visit out of town, if Johnny falls and breaks his arm, if your husband chops his toe instead of a stick of wood, if anything happens that makes you glad or sad, happy or mad, call us up. Tell us about it. That's the way to get it in the paper.

WANTED — Party to sell fresh Columbia River Smelts. Melburn & Swanson, 2 Union Ave. Portland, Ore.

IS SILVERTOWN ROMANIZED?

Its merchants used to advertise in The Silvertown Journal but now, even those who would like to do so, dare not for fear of the beast. Is this liberty? Is this freedom of the press? Must an editor be a coward? Must the business man bow the knee? Where will it end?

IS MARION COUNTY ROMANIZED?

The sheriff dared not or would not let Hosmer send anti-Roman articles to The Silvertown Journal. Would a priest of Mt. Angel, if in jail (was one ever in our county jail?) be allowed to send anti-heretic literature to the St. Joseph Blatt? Do good Catholic criminals go to jail, or is the affair hushed up in this county? What about the Woodburn Sodomite? Patriots awake!

IS OREGON ROMANIZED?

Our Circuit Court denied Hosmer time to get his chief witness even though there were many affidavits to show that she had been intimidated and that the defendant, through no fault of his own, did not know where the witness was. Other important and very evident rights were denied and he was convicted without any real trial. Would any Catholic priest have been used in this high handed manner? Our Supreme Court unjustly did just as the Romans wanted them to do. How many high officials in this state are Romans among the Romans, but anti-Catholic among the Protestants? Oregon Patriots must organize or Americanism will die and Romanism will rule with an iron hand.

IS AMERICA ROMANIZED?

The President of these United States is in danger of being assassinated. Why? He has dared at last to refuse to obey Rome's demands. Will Roosevelt be our next President? He is endorsed by the priesthood. Why? Were the priests and nuns killed in Mexico innocent or were they traitors? Are they traitors in the United States? Should we kill Villa or should we bring the traitors in this country to justice? Who will say, and who should be entitled to say, "Sic semper tyrannus?"



The above resurrection is for the purpose of asking you how many little booklets of cartoons with write-ups, which have appeared in the Journal, we could sell at 25 cents each. Suppose we get up a neat, little book with tasty colored cover. How many will purchase? These booklets would be fine to set people thinking, and that is what we want. Write to The Silvertown Journal, Silvertown, Oregon.