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## LOCAL NEWS

Miss Maudie Sayre is visiting her sister and brother in Portland during the holidays.

J. W. Miller has been under the weather, but is on the road to recovery.

Miss Nora Welch came down from Mt. Angel to spend Christmas at the home of her uncle, T. Severson.

Earl Miller has returned from Illinois, where he has spent the summer months and where he has taken unto himself a wife. Earl is a Silvertown boy having lived here since childhood, and his many friends are glad to see him back and wish the young couple much joy and happiness.

Fred Kaufman says that he is traveling all over the country selling fruit trees and that it is a fact that The Silvertown Journal has over four times as many readers as any other paper in this "neck o' the woods."

The health of our fellow townsman, D. M. Shields, is improving very much, and no wonder, for he was made happy by a Christmas week reunion. Those present were his son Daniel and wife of Detroit, his son William and wife of Portland, his son Elijah of California, his son-in-law Ney Conger of Detroit and his son Albert of Silvertown. All enjoyed a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs. A. C. Murray and Mrs. Walter Hadley and her two children visited at the home of Mrs. Murray's sister, Mrs. Joe Remington at Dallas during Christmas time. While there they met Mr. and Mrs. John Bones who also come from their home in Carleton. Mrs. Bones is another sister of Mrs. Murray. The sisters and Mrs. Hadley visited also with Mrs. Ella Black and her mother, Mrs. A. A. Burbank at Fall City.

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

The Jos. Kercher family, accompanied by Mrs. Letta Burch and Miss Rhoda Comstock enjoyed Christmas day at the Geo. Burch home in the country.

Kathryn Dilley will spend the week end at the John Porter home.

Mrs. Annie Tweed is here from her work in the academy at Parkland, Wash., visiting friends. She will return with her children, Cora and Oliver, tomorrow.

The lady holding the lucky number at the Bon Ton Hat Shop Christmas Eve was Mr. R. A. Cowden, No. 57. This entitles Mrs. Cowden to the beautiful tea-cloth given away by the Needle Work Supply Department of the Bon Ton.

Start Christmas Presents for next year by buying material at The Shop.

Frank Morley is down again with rheumatism.

Some boy will be happy today by winning the prize electric train at "The Shop."

If you want the best Coal Oil Lamp made, see the "Alladin" at C. M. Wray's.

Dr. Heisley received a phone message at Woodburn from Salem Wednesday at 10 P. M. and promptly went to the Roy Stiffler home where an 8 pound girl was born at 1:15 P. M. The doctor then received a message from Silvertown and reports that Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winters are now the happy parents of an 8 pound son who arrived at 9 A. M. Thursday. The doctor seems to be in good demand.

Mrs. Charles Misner on First Street has installed a candy kitchen in her home and prepared to make all kinds of home-made candies.

Two of the Silvertown boys who went to join the navy on Tuesday of this week, returned Wednesday evening.

Louie Myers, brother of Jay Myers of The Journal force, arrived from Iowa last Saturday. Mr. Myers is a baker and hopes to locate in Silvertown.

"We've simply had a great time," was the most used remark made in regard to the dancing party held in the W. O. W. Hall last Friday evening. The affair was a huge success and every soul of the eighteen couples present enjoyed the evening's program.

The hall was decorated with Christmas bells, holly, etc., and brought forth many remarks complimenting Messrs. Matheny and Loomis upon the general effect produced. The lights were covered with red and green paper and candles were set about in different places in the hall.

Mr. M. G. Cooley and wife furnished some very fine music for the occasion and if anyone can deliver good dancing music, it is those remarkable musicians.

C. M. Wray is putting in a new line of Cast Cook Stoves. See them. 9ctf

H. E. Hodges transacted business in Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Loomis, of Hettinger, North Dakota, who have been visiting during the past two months with relatives in Washington, arrived here Monday evening. They expect to make their future home here.

W. F. Palmateer of Morgan Oregon, returned home Friday after spending a couple weeks visiting his brother Henry of this city.

Chas. Downey of Montana, who has been visiting at the H. Palmateer home in this city for the past few weeks, left Friday for Stayton.

Ralph Harris of Winlock, Washington, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Harris of this city.

All goods going, regardless of cost, at Miss Hine's Millinery Store.

Mrs. Anna Foster and daughter Harriette, who have been visiting Miss Esther Hines departed for their home at Corvallis Wednesday.

Didn't Oswald libel Booth, and didn't Booth libel Oswald? And yet neither one were forced to spend fourteen hours and a half each day in a steel-lined felon's cell and the rest of the twenty-four hours for one hundred long days in a cloud of cigarette smoke with languishing victims. Neither one of these gentlemen dares to cross the trail of the beast.

Our old linotype operator, G. Horack, is working almost night and day; the job department is whizzing; Frankie Frau has charge of the mailing department and Hosmer is out of jail. Watch The Silvertown Journal grow!

Patrons of The Silvertown Journal will kindly be patient with us as the work is piled mountain high and there are only a few hands to do it.

The Silvertown Journal has engaged the expert job printer, Jay Myers, who is now on the job running out some of the neatest work you ever saw. Keep him busy!

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The Will Ellingsworth family returned Monday from Camas, Wash.

Mrs. Kitzelmeier went to Portland on Wednesday of this week for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Guy Syron who has spent the past week at the home of her father, H. P. Hicks, returned Thursday of this week to her home at Sheridan.

Miss Ida Maur came in on the Wednesday morning passenger from Pratum, returning home in the afternoon.

Wilton Simeral went to Portland Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week at the home of his aunt.

Mrs. McGinnis, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Crouse of Portland, who are here on a visit, went to Downs Station Wednesday to spend the day with friends.

All hand embroidery at reduced prices at "The Shop."

Mrs. Jay Myers and children returned home Tuesday evening from Portland, where she has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conkey.

Mrs. T. Tweed and daughter went to Pratum Wednesday to spend the day with friends at that place.

W. H. Ellingsworth was a business caller at Shedd, Oregon, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

The Charles Deardorff family have moved to Jasper, Oregon, where Mr. Deardorff has a position as instructor of a school near that place.

Mr. Johnson and son Lyle were passengers for Mt. Angel on Wednesday morning.

Demp Hutton's friends will be glad to hear he is out again after having quite a sick spell.

Miss Inga Moe went to Portland Thursday for a New Year's visit with friends.

Mrs. Geo. Hubbs is among the many sick ones in Silvertown and not recovering as fast as her friends would wish.

Mr. W. C. Andrews returned from his southern trip in time to enjoy Christmas cheer with his family and visited several old Silvertown friends on his return trip. We are sorry to learn the family contemplate leaving for Los Angeles later to make that their home, but it may be the climate will be much more beneficial to Mr. Andrews' health, as he has been not at all well here of late.

Miss Olga Goldberg returned to Portland Thursday after enjoying a holiday visit with her sister, Mrs. Nel, son, and family of this place.

Miss Huff who teaches the school at McKee and has been spending her vacation with her friend, Miss Daphna Thornley, returned to McKee Thursday and will take up her school work again Monday.

Miss Daphna Thornley was a Portland business caller Wednesday.

Miss McClaine was a north bound passenger on Thursday of this week.

Messrs. Ira Stewart and Fred Nutting were in Woodburn Wednesday evening to attend the lecture given the Weston House Demonstration Car, that is advancing the new air brake equipments and demonstrating the working models of the system.

Robert Wray has been very sick with a nurse in attendance, but we are glad to report him much better at present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fry were passengers for Portland on Thursday of this week.

C. M. Woodland, General Manager for the Silvertown Falls Timber Co., was in Silvertown on business Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Robert Downs and little daughter returned to Portland Thursday after a very pleasant visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Brown, and their friends.

H. Good was in Woodburn on business on Thursday this week.

Mrs. Caroline Deardorff is spending the holidays with her daughter and family, Mrs. J. E. Blazer. She reports her son Eli as having had work since moving to Molalla and thinks they will like their new location.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Lindscott enjoyed a Christmas visit from their daughter, Mrs. T. V. Harnden and Mrs. G. E. Hume with their families.

Mr. Earl R. Miller of Silvertown, Ore., and Miss Elsie Esche of Foreston were married by Rev. Blush at the Zion Church December 19th. The bride is the oldest daughter of Benj. Esche, one of Ogle county's prosperous and well known farmers. The groom is a son of J. W. Miller of Silvertown, Ore. Although Mr. Miller has lived here less than a year, he made many friends who speak very highly of him. Many pretty presents and good wishes were given them and the following Monday they left for the west, where they will reside.

Methodist Episcopal Church  
At both services on Sunday the pastor will speak on New Year topics. The choir will render special music. Special evangelistic meetings will commence in this church on Wednesday, January 6, at 7:30 P. M. The services will be conducted by the Rev. C. M. Van Marter. The public are very cordially invited to come to these meetings.

Some time in the near future, after the New Year, a lecture on China will be given in the church by Rev. Burton St. John and wife, returned missionaries from China.

SILVERTOWN BOY'S SUCCESS

Last Wednesday evening Earl E. Fleischman gave his old home town one of the best entertainments ever enjoyed by a Silvertown audience. Words of praise are heard everywhere and those who did not attend lost a very profitable investment. Mr. Fleischman's work was all of a high, entertaining and instructive grade and every member called forth a round of applause from the most interested and attentive audience. We are glad to record Earl's victory and we predict that the work he has done in preparing at our State University and the good practice he is now receiving will some day in the near future make this young man a very potent power for good.

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## MORTENSON NEWS

T. Anundson was slightly hurt while blasting stumps one day this week.

Fred Ausmus, Jr., and Sidney Morley are spending their Christmas vacation in Mortenson.

Mrs. Mary Town and Nellie Smith are visiting with their aunt, Mrs. Coleman, a few days this week.

Miss Frances Elliott and Doran Dunagan who are attending school at Salem are spending their vacation at home.

Misses Helen and Alice Smith called on Mrs. Bakers Sunday.

E. T. Smith and Christ Bixel were glad to see the frost go and are again at their work, grubbing for W. T. Dunagan.

Mrs. Baker and son Vernon E. T. Smith and daughter Ellen all enjoyed a lovely Christmas dinner at the home of Christ Bixel.

## TIP TOP BREAD

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## O. A. C. FARMERS' SCHOOL

The Farmer's Institute, conducted in Silvertown Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 28, 29 and 30, was well attended at most sessions. The first day's session was devoted to talks on Soils and Crop Production by County Agriculturist Luther J. Chapin and Prof. J. E. Larson of the O. A. C. Agronomy Department. Domestic Science lectures and demonstrations on subjects of bread making and regular cooking was given by Miss Anna Turay and Miss Helen Congill.

The subjects at the Tuesday sessions were dairy feed management by Prof. E. B. Fitts and hog and sheep feeding and management by Prof. R. E. Reynolds.

The Wednesday subjects were Needs and Benefits of Drainage and Farm Demonstration Work considered by Prof. H. T. French, State Leader of Co-operative Farm Demonstration Work and School and Home Gardening for Elementary Schools by John Evans, former Supervisor of Portland School Gardens.

The sessions closed Wednesday with a very interesting illustrated lecture on Poultry by Prof. C. C. Lamb.

These educational campaigns are doing a wonderful good that can not be overestimated. They are getting right down to the people who do the work and who need the knowledge and are therefore extremely practical and will pay our state big interest on its investment.

If a poor misguided youth gets drunk and steals a bicycle, he is locked up for 30 days; but if a priest swindles a poor widow out of \$1000, he is protected and promoted.

Those who advocate war, excepting in self-defense, are, at heart, murderers of the worst type. War is a tool of the hierarchy.

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.

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Watch the date after the name on the little green label and if you want the Silvertown Journal another year renew your subscription promptly. It

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number of those who were prominent Materialists of Silvertown did commit suicide." Now here we have a simple specific statement. It is not very definite, the author's name is not given and it is unsupported by any proof whatever; but still it is fairly definite and so far as we can see is absolutely static. Now, I want everybody to watch closely and see how that statement looks when it has been fertilized by Christian scholarship and watered by Christian culture. Turn now to The Silvertown Journal for November 27 and read the revised version by Rev. Phelps. "Most of the leaders of that old infidel club have blown their heads off with shot guns. The record shows for itself."

Did any Materialist ever conceive of spontaneous generation that could beat that, or evolution either? Why, you can just fairly see that statement grow under the cultured hand of Rev. Phelps. "Quite a number" has grown to "most," and the "incidental" statement of an unnamed author has become the "record that shows for itself." Mr. Phelps is mistaken about the subject matter of my "little piece." It was not intended as a dissertation on materialism. It is a simple illustration of the origin and evolution of the Christian evidences.

Mr. Phelps says: "We should not be held responsible for what we do not know." Mr. Phelps poses as an authority on moral philosophy. Did he ever hear of the duty of inquiry — the duty of investigation? The duty of inquiry is the most sacred duty man owes to man. It is wrong in all cases to believe on insufficient evidence and where it is presumption to doubt or to investigate there it is worse than presumption to believe. Now here is a man who sets himself up as a shining light of the Church as a "Christian who will not lie," yet with the reckless hand of an assassin he seeks to strike down the honor of the living and the dead, they who have done him no harm, and about whom he confesses to know nothing. And then when called to account for his slander he replies with sublime sang-froid: "I am willing to investigate the matter when opportunity affords." What shall we say of the honor and "culture" of such a man? Through many long years I have been patiently and persistently endeavoring to acquire a conception of Christian culture. I have read Paul

and Juda, St. Augustine and Ignatius Loyola, Luther and King Leopold, Bunyan and Robin Hood, Sam Jones and Jesse James, Billy Sunday and Rev. Phelps. I now retire from my labors. — Eureka.  
Mr. Phelps requires better than 400 words to show that I am only putting up a "bluff" in the case of Washington and Lincoln. I know that Prof. Johnson of Princeton College says in his article in Encyclopedia Britannica that "Washington was a consistent member of the established (Episcopal) church, but everyone in that day and colony was supposed to belong to the established church. I am forced to take a best authority the testimony of Washington's pastor, Dr. Amherst Crombie, who says: "Washington was a Deist, he never took communion in my church." I never said that Lincoln was a Materialist, I said simply that he was not a Christian, and that he held essentially the same views as Thomas Paine. Paine believed in "one God and no more" as he distinctly says on the first page of his "Age of Reason." Mr. Phelps says that he has "waded through" that volume, but he has shown no evidence that he has ever seen it. I will give Mr. Phelps \$100 to prove before a Christian jury that Lincoln ever acknowledged Christ as Savior or joined any church. Now we will see who is the bluffer.  
Mr. Phelps asks: "Mr. Van Trump are you able to logically debate Evolution or Theism?" I have never pretended to be able to debate scientific evolution in its very latest phases. I think, however, that I am able to debate Theism with an ordinary Theist. I don't think that I could debate Theism with a double-barreled breech-loading Theist, nor with a modern automatic rapid-fire Theist; I know I couldn't debate Theism with a regular Gatling-gun Theist, but I think that I could possibly debate Theism with a little single-barreled muzzle-loading popgun Theist. Yet I feel quite sure that I am able to debate Theism with Mr. Phelps. At any rate I am willing to try it if he will promise to quit snarling, napping and biting and fight like a little man. Promise to stick to his subject, stop calling names and fill not more than one column each week, the same as myself. When shall we begin, Mr. Phelps?

## 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.