

FISHTOP.

The flu folks are all getting along nicely; no new case to report, Uncle James Case.

Weather keeps warm turnips and onions are growing, and cabbage heading right along.

So much rain interferes with sowing grain considerably.

Jasper Henderson is on an extended visit to his son, Leonard Henderson, at Hendersonville.

We agree with you as to what shall be done with Germany, and do not believe that those might up should go unpunished.

Mrs. Jasper Henderson died at 7 o'clock, Wednesday morning. Her son, Posey Henderson, is also very ill and not expected to live, with influenza.

—W. S. S.— MILL SPRING ROUTE 1.

The Hodge families, we are glad to say, are convalescent. Just the flu. The corn husking at the home of Mr. J. B. Ownby, on last Thursday was a success.

Sorry to note that Mr. Jesse Green is on the sick list.

Mrs. Lula Ogle, little daughter, and Mr. Jess Allen, were guests at A. A. Edwards', Sunday afternoon.

Say, Uree Route 2, come again. Glad to have you with us.

From the 16th to the 23rd we hope everybody will join the Red Cross and receive the 1919 badges. The people of this section will be called upon by Miss Mossie Edwards who has the supplies. So don't run when you see her coming. Just have a dollar and a heart.

Sunday school has been stopped at Lebanon on account of influenza epidemic.

—W. S. S.— LANDRUM ROUTE 4.

We are sorry to say that we have several new cases of flu.

Mrs. R. H. Walker, who has been on the sick list, is some better.

Mr. J. O. Bishop and family moved to their home at Boiling Springs, last week.

Ezzie Horn has purchased a Ford car.

Several of the boys from here motored to Cooley Springs, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rucked Bland and family visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cantrell Sunday.

Miss Alice Cantrell is visiting at Cliffside this week.

Miss Carrie Greenway gave a singing for the young people, Saturday night, and all reported a good time.

Mr. R. G. Abrams and family visited his father, Mr. J. P. Abrams, Sunday.

Miss Ruby Putnam spent the weekend with Miss Louise McDade.

The singing at Greens Creek, last Sunday night was well attended by old and young.

Mr. W. M. Barnett lost a milk cow, last week.

—W. S. S.— LYNN.

Dr. Pratt will fill his regular appointment next Sunday at 7:30 instead of 3:30. It's thought that a larger congregation might attend the night services.

Melvin Rhodes is home on a recuperating furlough. He is just recovering from a severe spell of pneumonia. Melvin belongs to the navy, and is stationed at Charleston.

Jethro Thompson is now at home, having been discharged from the U. S. Army. He was encamped at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C.

T. DeWitt Cameron was discharged Dec. 7th, and arrived home Monday. He was in the U. S. naval reserves and stationed at Key West, Fla.

Mr. J. Lee Fisher died at his home Dec. 14th, after a long illness. Mr. Fisher had been in declining health for several months. He was laid to rest in the Tryon cemetery, Sunday.

The local lodge, Mimosa, of the I. O. O. F., of which he was a member, acted as pall bearers, and assisted in his burial. Rev. John Arledge conducted the services at the grave. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his loss.

Rev. Mr. Jones, of Tryon, lectured on Sunday school work at the chapel, Sunday evening. His lecture was highly appreciated, and it's to be hoped that we may have him with us again.

Sup't. W. T. Hammett made a business trip to Asheville, Saturday.

Mr. John Rhodes, who has been in City Point Va., for some time arrived home, Sunday.

Jack Foster's little child, who received a very bad burn a few days ago, is reported doing very well.

The citizens of Lynn desire to express their sympathy to Mr. Henderson and family, on account of so much serious sickness and the death of his daughter, Mrs. Winifred Henderson Ruff.

The school will open about the first of January, with Miss Martha Henderson as principal.

Anyone desiring to do a real good thing should donate Lynn chapel a chapel organ.

A beginning has been made on the repair of the washout on the river road. Soon as the weather will al-

PEA RIDGE.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson have received the following letter from their son, Grover, after receiving a telegram announcing his death, November 12th.

A. R. C. Military Hospital,
No. 21, Paegenton, England,
November 26th 1918.

Dear Mother:
I guess you have been looking for a letter from me for some time now; would have written before now but have been sick in bed for two weeks or longer. I have had the diptheria, flu and so many other things I won't endeavor to tell all. Am all right again. The nurses are awfully good here. They all know Thompson. My wound is almost well. It heals very slowly, as they didn't take the bullet out for fear it would make a stiff wrist. I can use it pretty well and have good use of my fingers.

Haven't heard from anybody over there since Sept. 15. Guess I have a pack of letters somewhere.

We raised some sand over here on the 11th of November, which was a great joy to all. Don't suppose it will be many months before we will be coming home, home, home. I have had an awfully good time in England. Such a pretty country and so many nice girls a fellow can't help but like to be here, but France and Belgium are some finished, with only a pile of brick and shot up trees.

Hello and good luck to everybody.

GROVER C. THOMPSON.

Mr. Ed. Prichard and Collett Fowler have returned home from camp.

Glad to see them back again.

Miss Bessie Thompson and sister spent Sunday at Mr. John Shehan's.

Join the Red Cross. All you need is a heart and a dollar.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Prichard, a son.

Johnnie Smith spent Saturday night with Mrs. H. E. Thompson.

Harley Foy and wife spent Sunday at Mr. Jim Foy's.

Louis Mills is very ill with flu.

—W. S. S.— ABOLENE.

We are glad to have with us again, Prof. and Mrs. W. W. Davidson, who have been teaching in Clayton Ga.

Messrs. Gomer and Frank Davis spent Saturday night with Mr. Harold Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Miller and daughter, Miss Pauline, were visitors at Mrs. Martha Miller's, Sunday.

Mr. J. W. McFarland had an old-time corn shucking, Friday night, and those present report a good time.

Mrs. M. F. Wilkins and son, Oland, motored to Rutherfordton, one day last week.

Prof. and Mrs. W. W. Davidson spent Sunday night at Mr. E. C. Davidson's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ridings were callers at Mr. J. C. Davis', Saturday.

Mr. E. C. Davidson has gone to Fingerville, where he intends working this winter.

Miss Pauline Wilkins and Miss Zernon Calvert were guests of Miss Annie Davis, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davidson were shopping in Rutherfordton, one day last week.

—W. S. S.— POOR'S FORD.

Mr. J. H. Read visited Mr. J. W. Thompson, Sunday.

Mr. W. C. Eplee visited Mr. J. W. Crawford, Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Thompson visited Mrs. Della ReRad, Sunday evening.

Mr. Muncie Thompson was a visitor at Mr. J. W. Thompson's, Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Davie Thompson was a visitor at Mr. L. C. Thompson's, Sunday.

We are glad to know that Mr. Wellford Rogers, who has been in camp, has returned home.

Mr. Ed. Liles caught a big fish, Friday, weighing 13½ pounds.

Mr. John Eplee visited Mr. W. C. Eplee, Saturday.

Mr. T. C. Mitchell's family visited Mr. Henry Eplee's, at Melvin Hill, Saturday.

Mr. B. C. Thompson visited Mr. Lonney Connor, Sunday.

Service Flag Carol.

Words by MARJORY L. COOLEY Music by J. TRUMAN WOLCOTT
Allegro (brightly)



God bless the good folk of this house And us outside also;
But most of all the lad for whom The deep blue star doth show.

But most, etc.

He's gone, but lives in mem'ry still; And in our heart's a store
Of love we'll keep for him and his Till he comes home once more.

Of love, etc.

Best wishes unto him we send This happy Christmas day;
We know he'll hear the echo ring Altho he's far away.

We know, etc.

(If the star on the service flag is gold, sing also the following)

God bless the one for whom this star Shines with a gleam of gold,
And grant that soon the gleam of peace Shall o'er the world unfold.

And grant, etc.

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low it will be finished. This road is very badly needed, especially when the river is swollen and cannot be forded.

—W. S. S.— WARRIOR MOUNTAIN.

Misses Mollie Rollins and Orpha Fisher were in Hendersonville shopping recently.

Will T. Green, released from Camp Sherman Ohio passed through here last week, en route home.

School closed here last Friday, with a nice little lag of early and, apples for the children.

Miss Lizzie Berkhart, Mrs. Ricks' secretary, died at Rixhaven, last Wednesday.

Dame gossip has started a rumor that Dan Cupid is on the alert. We wish the victim a long life and happiness, but even now are almost as near heaven as the nature of Polk county will allow.

Mr. Editor: These modest little Johnnie Jumpups, the first flowers to bloom in the spring have bloomed all summer, and now lift up their smiling faces to greet you at yule-tide.

