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CHILDREN MANGLED BY EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE CAP

Two Small Children Killed When 3-Year-Old Tot Threw Dynamite Cap Into Fire—Cap Left on Mantelpiece by Father—Death of Mrs. Laura Jones Near Red Springs—Personal and Other News From Parkton

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, Feb. 13—Miss Dousswell and Miss Rutherford, members of the graded school faculty, spent Saturday and Sunday in Florence, S. C., and report a most enjoyable time.

Mr. F. M. Coker of Columbia, S. C., came up Saturday and returned Sunday afternoon. Mr. Coker came up on a business trip. Our door string is always on the outside to such young business men.

Messrs. Clarence and John McArthur of St. Paul were visitors to our town Sunday. The former, who was for a year or so bookkeeper of the Parkton Mercantile Co., is now cashier of the Bank of McDonald.

Mr. A. S. Pope, one of our young druggists, went up to Rockfish Saturday and returned home Monday. Mrs. C. D. Williamson and two children, Master Donovan and Wilbur are spending the week with her sister, Mrs. S. M. Odum at Edonit.

Mr. W. E. Parham returned Monday to Hopewell, Va., after enjoying a week's vacation with homefolks.

Messrs. Albert and Bruce Parham who hold positions with the A. C. L. Ry., spent Sunday with home folks, returning to Latta, S. C., Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. J. Gillis and children of Rockfish spent Sunday with Mrs. Gillis' mother, Mrs. Alex. Parham. Mrs. Parham served special dinner Sunday, having with her six of her visiting children, including Mrs. J. D. Gillis and family.

Mr. H. C. Jones received a message Sunday night to the effect that his aunt, Mrs. Laura Jones, who lives a few miles from Red Springs, was critically ill. She died Monday morning at 8 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Jones attended her funeral Friday, which was held from Spring Hill church in Scotland county, attended by a very large concourse of sorrowing friends and loved ones. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Goodie, pastor of Spring Hill church.

Capt. W. R. Johnson of Florence, S. C., spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Sallie Johnson.

Mr. Neill McKinnon and son, Duncan, the former one of Hoke county's most substantial farmers and business men, were visitors to our town Saturday afternoon.

Mr. John Ferguson of St. Paul was a welcome visitor to our town Sunday.

An awful tragedy occurred four miles west of Fayetteville Saturday morning when the two small children of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hall were blown almost to instant death with dynamite. Mr. Hall, who had been blowing up stumps with dynamite, had carelessly left some caps on the mantel and Saturday morning while the mother had just stepped out for a few minutes the little girl, a little less than three years old, climbed up to the mantel and threw one of the caps in the fire place resulting in blowing the two children nearly to pieces, firing the younger, and it almost burned to death right then.

The two children were taken to the Cumberland general hospital in Fayetteville, but it was soon seen that there were no hopes of either living. One died Sunday and the other Monday. They were both buried in the same casket today at the Adams grave yard near Roslin at 12 o'clock p. m.

This should be a great warning to all persons never to leave dynamite in the house for anything. The parents of the children were reared in this neighborhood and are well known to us, and all are in deep sympathy with them in their sad misfortune.

President May Not Wait for Serious Disaster Before Going Before Congress

Washington Dispatch, Feb. 14.

The steady accumulation of violations of American rights by Germany made it appear possible today that President Wilson would go before Congress to ask authority for further protecting lives and property without waiting for a serious disaster which may shock the country. There were no indications, however, that he believed the time for such a step had come, and it again was stated authoritatively that he would move deliberately and with full appreciation of all the consequences involved.

Official reports of the sinking of the American schooner Lyman M. Law, in the Mediterranean by an Austrian submarine added only slightly to the tension, for which the act is believed to have been illegal, no lives were lost and the vessel apparently was warned. The incident was not looked upon as one in itself sufficient to hurry the development of the situation.

Teachers Will Meet in Lumberton March 3

All the white teachers in Robeson county are expected to meet in Lumberton on Saturday, March 3. The teachers have been holding their meetings in various sections of the county since the first meeting of the school year was held here early last fall. Teachers of all departments will attend the meeting here in March.

—Mrs. Lizzie G. Proctor will leave this afternoon for New Orleans, La., to attend the Mardi Gras festival.

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE

New Revenue Bill Like That of 1915—State-Wide County Audit Bill Passes House—State Good Roads Bond Issue Bill Passes House—Bill to Extend Franchise to Women—House Votes to Submit Constitutional Amendment to People—To Exempt Farm Home Mortgages

Mr. Gardner offered yesterday in the House a bill to extend the franchise to women. The bill provides for a special box at the next general election in which women may deposit their votes and if as many as 50,000 women vote for suffrage the State board of elections shall order an election on an amendment to the constitution giving women the franchise.

The House voted yesterday 96 to 11 for the Stubbs bill for a constitutional convention to be called. It would submit the question to the people at the next general election.

The House passed yesterday the Beasley bill to exempt farm home mortgages to \$3,000 after receiving a special message from Gov. Bickett urging immediate action.

The legislative committee for investigating charges of bad conditions at the State farm began its investigations yesterday.

The House passed Tuesday the bill to amend the navigation law for the port of Wilmington by reducing the number of licensed pilots from 20 to 15 and to exempt inland water-way shipping whenever the port becomes a port of entry for such vessels.

The revenue bill came into the House Tuesday through Chairman Doughton of the Finance committee and 300 copies were ordered printed. It is a general working over of the revenue act in force the past two years, with only minor changes. Tax rates are left exactly as in force the past two years. There are some changes of only minor importance in the special taxes scheduled in Section B and C.

The State-wide bill directing the Corporation commission to have books of county officers examined and to devise and install a uniform system of accounting for all counties was passed after Senator Gough renewed his efforts to have Robeson exempted and other counties joined in the effort. Senator Brenizer explained that the bill was necessarily State-wide. The measure passed 31 to 12 and was sent to the House.

The Brenizer bill for inspection of hotels as to safety and sanitation, amended to limit its application to houses of 15 or more rooms, passed the Senate Tuesday.

A bill by Murphy passed the House Tuesday to authorize any county to bear the expenses of veterans to the 1917 reunion in Washington who are otherwise unable to attend.

The bill to authorize commissioners of Robeson to provide for the expenses of Confederate veterans to the reunion in Washington this year passed final reading in the House Tuesday. Also a bill to protect Oakdale church in this county.

Speaker Murphy laid before the House Tuesday the bill by Clark of Pitt, providing that the State may issue \$400,000 road bonds semi-annually for counties that vote for road bonds, the State bonds to carry 4 per cent and the county subsidiary bonds 5 per cent, that will liquidate the bonds in the course of 41 years. The bill passed with only one dissenting vote, that of Lloyd, Republican, of Orange county, after Clark had explained it.

Mr. Doughton offered in the House Monday the general State highway bill for issuance of bonds for road improvements, county highway commissions and to provide for the development of the public roads of the counties. It provides for road bonds on vote of the people and also on petition where 60 per cent of the property is represented in petitions. The State Highway commission is to advise as to bond sales and lay out the highways to be improved, bond issues to carry specification of roads to be improved and estimates approved by the State Highway Commission as to the cost of proposed improvement. County bonds can be issued to absorb township bonds for road improvement.

Workmen's compensation bills of Brenizer and Jones were killed by a joint legislative committee Monday night.

An unusual bill passed the House Monday was one to protect ducks, geese and swan from aeroplane hunters. The statement was made in argument for the bill that very recently a number of aeroplane travelers stopped on the North Carolina coast for ten days or more and played havoc with the duck hunting interests, stampeding the ducks and putting land and boat hunters completely out of business.

The House passed a bill Monday to allow divorce after 10 years separation whether there were children from the union or not.

Senator Charley Jonas of Lincolnton offered in the Senate Monday a prohibition bill which seems to be one dry. He says he is the author of the bill himself, and none other, that it is not the child of the Anti-Saloon league. It would make it unlawful for anybody except a physician, a hospital or a church to get any liquor at all, and would make it unlawful for anybody to take a drink on a public highway or other public place, or to appear under the influence of liquor in any public place.

Mrs. L. E. Ellis and small son, Thomas, of the Tolarsville section, passed through town this morning en route home from Proctorville, where they spent several days visiting relatives.

ROWLAND NEWS LETTER

Betterment Association Meets—Work of Literary Societies—Birth Day Parties—Personal Mention

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Rowland, Feb. 14—The Betterment association met Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Various committees were heard from. We were told "How the Betterment association could improve our school," namely, "by keeping off of hedge and grass; by using garbage cans for waste paper; and by preventing pupils from marking on the building. An essay was read on "How each pupil could improve our school." Mr. Shields then told how one school had cleared \$2,000 in ten years and he gave suggestions as to how we could help our school.

The debate for the Athenian Literary society was "Resolved, That submarines are more powerful in war than aeroplanes." The affirmative won and Earle McKellar was voted best speaker.

The Victorian Literary society met Friday afternoon and the following program was carried out: song by society, no 276; roll call; recitation—"The Frenzied Little Girl"; instrumental solo; papers on "Why the High School should have a basketball court; vocal solo—"Because I Love You".

Our triangle in the State debate is Red Springs, Maxton and Rowland.

The new Baptist minister, Rev. Mr. Powell, preached at the Baptist church last Sunday morning and night. Mr. and Mrs. Powell, formerly of Ashboro, have made their home in Rowland, where they are indeed welcome. Mr. Powell seems to be an active and energetic man as well as a good preacher.

Mr. Thomas Graham, Jr., and Miss Wilma Graham had a birthday party Tuesday afternoon. Ice cream and cake were served. Various games were enjoyed by all the little children of the town.

Mr. Weide H. Baker returned home from Clympton, S. C., Sunday morning.

Mrs. Tom Bracey returned from Hendersonville Monday.

Messrs. A. L. Bullock, E. C. McNeill, C. D. Smith and Ralph McGirt were business visitors in Lumberton Monday.

Mr. A. W. Walker was in Fayetteville last week.

Mr. J. P. Robertson returned Monday night from a business trip to Raleigh and Dunn.

Miss Mable Hutton is visiting her cousin Miss Purcell Adams.

Miss Margaret Smith is visiting her sister, Miss Hassie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lion Alford of Latta are visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. B. L. Townsend, Mrs. J. M. Lyth and Misses Eva Pleasant and Lobita Lyth visited relatives in Lumberton Sunday.

Miss Louise MacLure of Bishop visited friends in town this week.

Miss Lizzie Alford of Latta spent Sunday in town.

Messrs. Robert Proctor and Ralph Whaley of Lumberton were in town Wednesday afternoon.

LONG BRANCH LOCALS

Winter Oats Killed by Cold—Lots of Sickness—Ginning Plant Will be Enlarged and May be Moved to Popps—Talk of War—Measles Epidemic About Over—2 Quarts a Year Not Enough for Camphor

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Long Branch (Lumberton, R. 4), Feb. 14—There has been so much cold weather during this month until the farmers seem to be slow to start plowing. Some of them say their winter oats are killed.

People around here intend to do some farming this year, as nearly all of them have bought and swapped mules this spring.

There seems to be lots of sickness around here.

Sorry to report Miss Gladys Britt seriously sick with whooping cough and pneumonia. There has been no change for the better. Mr. Asper Walters is sick with appendicitis.

Misses Mae and Wilmer Branch spent Tuesday night with their aunt, Mrs. Alex Hedgworth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Britt of Fairmont spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stone.

Mr. Herman Britt and Miss Henerett Ammons spent Sunday evening with friends in Lumberton.

The Long Branch Ginning Co. held its annual meeting Monday and the stockholders who were present seemed to be pleased as there was a nice dividend declared. The company has decided to enlarge the plant by the fall and probably move it to Popps, a station on the R. & C. Ry., where they can be in shape to buy seed, as most farmers want to sell or exchange.

We hear lots of talk these days of the war. If it comes, let it come. I assure Mr. Wilson will steer us right and land us on shore if it is in Germany. Who cares.

Our school is improving in attendance now, as the measles has got about through, only a scattered one occasionally left.

Some of our folks don't like some bills in the Legislature on prohibition. They say 2 quarts a month is small and only 2 quarts a year isn't enough to make camphor.

A fire alarm was turned in last night about 8 o'clock from box No. 71—Seven Pines—on account of some grass burning near that point. No damage was done. A call was phoned in from the eastern part of town yesterday about noon on account of somebody setting some grass on fire.

BUIE NEWS BATCH

Marriage of Miss Annie Humphrey and Mr. W. A. Adams—Much Fertilizer Being Hauled—Not Uneasy About War—Personal Mention

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Buie, Feb. 14—A happy marriage took place at the home of the bride last Sunday at 5 p. m., that of Miss Annie Humphrey and Mr. W. A. Adams. The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. H. M. Dixon of Red Springs. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. W. J. Humphrey, her father having died several years ago. She is among Philadelphia's most popular girls and numbers her friends by her acquaintances and comes from among one of the best families in the community. The groom is a young man of many friends and acquaintances, being in the employ of the A. C. L. Ry. here as operator. Immediately after the marriage they left for points in Florida where they will spend a few days and on their return make Buie their home.

For the past several days the weather has been so bad that it has practically put a stop to all farm operations. Still there is much fertilizer being hauled and rapid progress going on in other ways to get farm work started again when the weather will permit.

Mr. J. Edgar Smith, a lumber dealer from Philadelphia, Pa., spent a while in town Monday, coming down to see about some lumber that was burned a week ago at Hall & Davis' saw mill in which he was interested. He says he finds the weather colder here for the past few days than it is in Philadelphia. He was asked how the people in his home town felt concerning the U. S. severing relations with Germany. He says they are not at all alarmed and think this was the proper course for the President to pursue and that there is no fear felt about the U. S. having to go to war with Germany.

Prof. C. L. Cates spent Monday afternoon in Red Springs.

Mr. Peyton McMillan was a Lumberton and Fairmont visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Malloy of Fayetteville were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Humphrey.

Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Brown, Misses Amanda Brown, R. D. Buie and Willie McMillan were Fayetteville visitors Friday.

Messrs. W. J. and F. H. Humphrey, W. A. McMillan and Miss Mary Humphrey spent Friday in Lumberton.

Messrs. William Tiddy, Charlie McNeill and Walter Glover spent Monday in Lumberton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Glover are welcomed among the people who have recently moved into this community. This was formerly Mr. Glover's home, but for the past few years he has been superintendent of one of the chain gangs.

MARIETTA NEWS LETTER

Social and Personal Items From a South Robeson Town

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Marietta, Feb. 13—Mrs. J. M. Wells delightfully entertained the G. W. club Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Harris DuBose, week-end guest of Mrs. T. C. Parham. The reception room was artistically decorated with red hearts and potted plants. After the business meeting several spirited games of progressive hearts were played. Miss Cherry being the successful winner of the prize, a beautiful handkerchief. The Valentine feature was strikingly carried out in the delicious refreshments served by the little daughters of the hostess.

Mrs. B. L. Temple was hostess to the Woman's Missionary society Monday afternoon. Refreshments were served.

Mr. J. A. Oliver of Fair Banks, Fla., has been visiting relatives here the past week.

Miss Sallie Fox of Marion, S. C., is visiting Mrs. J. M. Oliver.

Mr. P. C. Henley and son, Leon, made a business trip to Wilmington Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Oliver and three children of Gaddysville, S. C., visited at the home of Mr. J. S. Oliver Sunday.

Miss Mellie Hill spent Sunday with friends.

Mr. D. N. Oliver has returned after spending several days with friends in St. Paul and Rowland.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris DuBose of Fork, S. C., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Parham.

Mrs. W. H. Henley and children of Fair Bluff spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Henley.

Mr. J. O. Watson made a business trip to Lumberton Monday.

Mr. D. E. Oliver recently moved his family to Sellers, S. C., where he has accepted a position.

Messrs. D. N. and W. M. Oliver made a business trip to Dillon, S. C., Tuesday.

Logging Train Wrecked

A logging train belonging to the Kingsdale Lumber corporation was wrecked where the V. & C. S. railroad crosses the Whiteville road in the eastern part of town Tuesday afternoon about 2 o'clock. Eight empty trucks were derailed. The wreck was caused by dirt left on the railroad track by a man dragging the road, it is said. Conductor Jud Ammons jumped before his cab was thrown off the track and was not hurt. A colored man and an Indian named Walam Locklear were in the cab and Locklear was slightly hurt. The cab was turned completely around and then turned over. The two men had a miraculous escape. The damage to the trucks was more than \$100.

THE FINAL SUMMONS

Prof. D. P. Allen, Well-Known Colored Educator, Passed This Morning—Funeral Saturday

Prof. D. P. Allen, one of the oldest and most highly-respected colored men in this entire section, died at his home about 2 1-2 miles north-east of town this morning about 6 o'clock. Deceased was about 72 years old and was for 45 years at the head of Whittin Normal and Industrial institute, a well-known colored institution in Lumberton. Prof. Allen was perhaps the best educated colored man in the county and had done much for the people of his race. He was of the ante-bellum type and was admired by the white people as well as colored. In his death the color-lose a leader whose place will be hard to fill. Prof. Allen suffered a stroke of paralysis about a year ago.

The funeral will take place from the colored Methodist church here Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m. and interment will be made in the Newtown cemetery.

Mr. J. A. Falk

Mr. J. A. Falk, aged about 85 years, died at the home of his brother, Dr. O. C. Falk at Midway, with whom he lived, Thursday of last week. Interment was made in the McLean burying ground, near Maxton, Friday. Deceased is survived by two children—Mrs. Dougald McIntyre and Mr. Bryant, both of Rowland. Mr. Falk was an uncle of Messrs. E. A. and Frank Falk of Lumberton. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Falk, Miss Olga Falk and Mr. Frank Falk attended the funeral and burial.

PEMBROKE POINTS

Prayer Service and Choir Practice—Movements of the People

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Pembroke, Feb. 13—Rev. I. N. Clegg filled his regular appointment here Sunday night and preached a most excellent sermon, using for his subject, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."—Mark 16:15.

Mrs. L. M. Ausley and children spent the latter part of last week in Micro with relatives.

Miss Ollie McInnis spent a few days last week with friends in Fayetteville.

Mrs. Margaret Pennington, R. 1, spent Sunday with Mrs. R. H. Livermore.

Mrs. Haynes and daughter, Mrs. Isinghow, of South Carolina, are visiting Mrs. O. S. Miller.

Mrs. W. E. Hall is visiting her mother, Mrs. Edwards, at Councils.

Mrs. R. H. Livermore and F. J. Pate spent Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Odum, R. 1.

Mr. D. C. Proctor visited in Raleigh and Durham a few days last week.

Master Mack Fisher of Lumberton spent Sunday with his uncle, Mr. A. M. Breese.

Mrs. Warren Cain of Fayetteville visited Mrs. N. McInnis last Wednesday night.

Mrs. F. J. Pate of Greenboro is spending some time in town with friends.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend prayer services and choir practice on Wednesday nights at 7:30 o'clock. We hope all will come that can, and help in these services.

OAK GROVE LEAFLETS

Farmers Busy—School Progressing—Box Supper—Personal Mention

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Oak Grove (Buie, R. 1), Feb. 13—We are having some very cold weather in these parts.

Farmers are all preparing for another crop.

Our school is progressing nicely. Miss Hattie Powell is teacher and is proving herself to be an excellent teacher.

There was a box supper at our school Friday night, the 9th. After the selling of the boxes there was a voting contest. Miss Hattie Powell received the prize for the most popular young lady. The proceeds, something over \$10, will go for the benefit of the school.

Mrs. Oliver Prevatt of the Clyburnville section spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Parnell.

Among those that attended the Sunbeam rally at Clyburnville Sunday afternoon from Oak Grove were Misses Daisy, Roxie and Addie Prevatt and Missouri Parnell, Messrs. Clifton Adams and R. C. Parnell.

Mr. Java Bruce, who had been visiting relatives in Missouri for a few months, returned home a few days ago and brought with him a bride whom he took upon himself while out there.

Mrs. W. A. Bruce and daughter, Miss Maude, visited the Misses Baxley Sunday afternoon.

An Exciting Runaway

A horse belonging to Ben Blount, colored, proceeded to runaway and cause considerable excitement while he was running yesterday morning about 9 o'clock. The horse started from the back of the Lorraine hotel and ran down Fifth street to Elm, then down Elm to Fourth, down the sidewalk on the right side of Fourth to Water and down water to Third and back to Elm, where the horse fell and was caught. Blount and another colored man named Potter were in the wagon which was hitched to the horse. Potter was thrown out of the wagon and slightly hurt. Blount fell out behind but was not hurt.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. C. M. Fuller left last night for St. Louis, Mo., to buy mules for his stables.

—A new fire alarm box has been installed corner First and Chippewa streets. The box is number 25. A hydrant has also been installed near that point.

—St. Paul Cotton Mill Co. has let contract to Cresfield & Thigpen, colored contractors of Lumberton, to build 50 feet to the mill. A number of spindles will be added.

—On account of the lyceum attraction at the school auditorium Friday evening, the business meeting and social of the Epworth league has been postponed until a later date.

—License has been issued for the marriage of John Scott and Ida Howell. H. W. Horne and Annie Welch; W. Edgar Dow and Cloah Grimsley; O. D. Grimsley and Prudie Strickland; W. C. Johnson and Mary H. Humphrey.

—Mrs. A. F. Powell of Whiteville is a guest at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Johnson, Elm street. Mr. Powell has recovered from the injury which called Mrs. Johnson to Whiteville recently.

—Miss Josephine Breese will leave next Tuesday for Baltimore to purchase spring goods for her millinery store. She will be met in Baltimore by Miss Reva Hamilton, who was her trimmer last year, and they will go to New York.

—Yesterday was St. Valentine's day, and if any one remained in ignorance of that fact until last evening he was bound to wake to the fact that it was some special time then. Children had a great time going about over town ringing door bells and leaving Valentines, which was all right and lovely and proper.

—The Doering orchestral quintet, the last number of the Lyceum course, will give a concert at the graded school auditorium tomorrow evening, February 16th, beginning at 8:30. This quintet is composed of ladies and it is expected that this will prove the best attraction of the entire course. Admission, adults 25 cents, children 10 cents.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Carlyle expect to leave this afternoon for San Antonio, Texas, where they will spend some time. Mr. Carlyle goes to Texas with the hope of regaining his health which has been bad for some time. His many friends hope that he may regain his health and that he and Mrs. Carlyle may return to Lumberton in the not distant future.

—Chief of Police Alf H. McLeod asks The Robesonian to say that all automobile owners who live in Lumberton and don't have the town license number on their cars by next Monday morning may expect to get "pulled". The fine for not having the town license number on your car, if you live in Lumberton and own one, is \$5. The ordinance says the number shall be placed on the front of the radiator.

—Anna Jacobs and J. R. Maynor, Indians, who live near Buie, were married in the store of Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son at 12:45 of the clock yesterday afternoon. After the words that made the two one had been spoken, Justice F. Grover Britt, who officiated, ordered the groom to salute the bride—and he saluted her. The bride received several presents from the ladies working in the store. Quite a number witnessed the marriage.

CLARKTON NEWS NOTES

Measles and Mumps—Resowing Tobacco Beds—Oats Seem to be Killed—Personal

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Clarkton, Feb. 13—Mr. and Mrs. George Clark of Wilmington spent Sunday and Monday with relatives here.

Mr. Dougald McCormac and two sons, Rowland and Joe, spent the week-end in Red Springs with relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. D. D. King of Lumberton spent Sunday with Mrs. King's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Clark.

Mrs. Mary Stevens of Councils spent Sunday with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Snowden Singletary, Jr.

Mr. D. B. McKee of Rosindale spent one night in this neighborhood with relatives.

Mrs. J. A. Clark and daughter, Miss Maude, and son, Master Neil, returned from a 6-months' visit in Mexico.

Measles keeps finding a drove now and then who have not been overtaken. I think it will be some time before there will be any more room for it. There are also several cases of mumps and several have been and over with it.

Sowing over tobacco beds is very much the order of the day around here, as all the first planting got killed. The oat crop around here looks as if it is killed for good and the weather stays so cold that we cannot see whether they will come out or not.

We regret very much to lose Rev. J. D. Howell, pastor of the Baptist church here, also of Councils. Rev. and Mrs. Howell left for Duplin county, where he has accepted a call to a church. Mr. and Mrs. Howell have our best wishes in their new home.

Miss Henrietta Ammons of R. 4 from Lumberton is a guest at the home of her brother Mr. J. J. Ammons, Second street.