

### MARS HILL FIRST

#### AMONG HEALTH RESORTS

Twicer Writes of Places of Pleasure and Recreation — Kernersville Higher Above the Sea Level Than Pilot Mountain.

Mars Hill, Dec. 31.

Editors Reporter: In spite of the energy and fidelity with which Americans stick to their business at all hazards, there are few countries where great summer and winter resorts are more highly developed than they are in the United States. On the Atlantic coast, from Maine to New Jersey, a succession of beautiful summer resorts have grown up, where splendid hotels, attractive bathing beaches and the other conditions which make such places pleasurable, attract hundreds of thousands of visitors every year. At Atlantic City, New Jersey, is the dividing line between the winter and summer resorts, for here in both seasons visitors crowd the hotels. Further south it is chiefly winter travelers who patronize the seaside, all the way down to the tip of the Florida peninsula and thence around the coast of the gulf of Mexico to the Texas cities themselves.

The coast of the New England States and Long Island, Delaware, and New Jersey, are marked with charming resorts every few miles. Florida, with its splendid hotels facing the gulf, forms a distinct resort region of its own for the winter. From Mobile, Ala., to New Orleans, facing the Gulf of Mexico, is a shore which the Southerners term the American Riviera. On the Pacific another distinct group of resorts has developed, from San Diego in the south to Alaska in the north. San Francisco becomes the dividing line between the summer and winter resorts on this coast. Southward from the metropolis of California are such beautiful winter resorts, as Monterey, Santa Barbara, Santa Catalina, Los Angeles and San Diego, while northward in the summer multitudes of tourists take advantage of the mountain and coast beauties of Puget Sound, British Columbia, and the Alaska shores even further north. Monterey and Santa Catalina, likewise, are almost as popular in summer as in winter.

Between these two oceans a limitless variety of pleasure grounds await the vacation wanderer at any season. The mountains of New England, the Adirondacks, the Georgia pines, the lakes of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, the mountains of California and the far west offer choice inexhaustible. Nature has given to this country as lavishly of opportunities for pleasure in wholesome climates and among beautiful surroundings as it has given of the wealth of the forests, the mines and the farm.

We have so far directed our attention to far off States and we have been notified of the particular that we go too far from home to get our subjects on which to write.

The city of Mt. Airy, in Surry county, N. C., is counted a nice health resort, and thousands of people go there every year for their health. We notice further that a good many people are helped as far as health is concerned in the county of Stokes. Great numbers of people go there from all parts of the State during the summer seasons. Kernersville is also a fine health resort, and many of the people from all over the State make that little town their winter

during the summer months. We notice further that Kernersville is a fast growing town 18 miles west of the Gate City, Greensboro. Kernersville is 3 feet and 4 inches higher above the sea level than Pilot Mt. in Surry county.

We wish to notice Mars Hill. It is a country village of about 300 people. There is a large hotel being erected here now. This is to meet the call of people who desire to spend the summer months here. It is 10 miles to the nearest railroad station. Experience has taught the wisdom and excellence of a country location over that of the city or railroad town. There is not a purer atmosphere or more delightful climate in the State. Mars Hill is practically free from fog and malaria is unknown. Part of the old buildings that are now being used for school purposes were here during the war. Since the Civil war there has been a school conducted here. For eleven years Prof. Robt. L. Moore has had the institution in charge. The first of the year the two literary societies will move into the new building. The \$10,000 building will also be used for recitation rooms and library. Of all the health resorts that we mentioned in the first of this article are only secondary, and Mars Hill is first. TWICER.

#### What Santa Claus Brought Jannie E. Flint.

Madison, Jan. 3.

Dear Old Reporter: As this is New Year, I will write a letter. I am very glad that it is school day again. I am glad to meet all of my school mates again.

I am very sorry that smallpox has gotten up such a disturbance in the neighborhood. I hope it will soon blow over.

I will tell the little girls what dear old Santa did for me. He gave me a nice story book, a vase, oranges, bananas, candy and lots of other things.

I hope all the little girls and boys enjoyed a merry Christmas.

Your friend,

JANNIE E. FLINT.

#### Rural Hall.

Rural Hall, Jan. 3.—We have been celebrating Christmas for the last few days. Most all of the churches had Christmas trees.

Mr. Charlie Kiger is visiting at Mr. Harris'.

Mr. Tommie Duggins, who has been sick with pneumonia, is improving, we are glad to know.

Misses Carrie and Annie James are visiting Miss Eliza Harris.

Mr. L. T. James called on Miss Maud Kiser Sunday.

Mr. Thomas Lawson and Miss Pearl Westmoreland went out the road Christmas day. Guess Mr. Laurel is feeling bad.

Mr. J. W. Moser, Misses Mary and Julia Moser and Mary James are visiting Miss Carrie Vaughn.

We had Sunday School at Bethel Sunday morning. Very large crowd attended.

SCHOOL MATES.

#### Christmas Passed Quietly on Campbell Route 1—Dr. McKnight's Railroad.

Campbell Route 1, Jan. 3.—Christmas passed off very quietly through this section.

Mr. Eric Shelton and sister, Miss Rosa, of Moore's Springs, were visitors on Campbell Route 1 Friday and Saturday.

Guess Dr. McKnight will soon go to work on the proposed railroad, as there is a young man in this section who says he will give him a check for one million dollars, payable on the Bank of Moore's Knob.

## The Most Remarkable Sale of Suits for Men Young Men Ever Offered the People of this Section

OUR buyer, while on the market, last week secured a sample line of more than 500 suits which come to us direct from the manufacturers. In this big lot there are suits that 60 days ago the manufacturer asked us \$15, \$18.50, \$20, \$22.50 and \$25. Today these same suits are on sale at our store at \$10, \$12.50 and \$15.

Another lot of over 300 suits at \$5.95 to \$25, and the saving is \$5 to \$10 the suit.

It's no wonder these suits are going like hot cakes. In several instances where we would sell one of these suits in a few hours in would come some one who had been told of the great suit values,—he, too, would buy.

Come in and see the greatest clothing values ever offered the people of this section. Gentlemen, ask to see our line of sample overcoats. Mothers, bring the boy. We can fit him from \$1.48 to \$7.50.

## SHARP & MODLIN COMPANY

420 and 422 Trade Street.

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C.

## The Old ROCK HOUSE

Do not fail to come and examine my stock and get prices. New Fall Goods have arrived at my store—many bargains for you. I will name a few prices: Men's heavy Work Shoes at \$1.20 to a heavy Kip at \$2.10. Children's heavy winter Shoes at \$1.00. Men's heavy Undershirts at 20c. as long as they last. Men's ready-made Clothing. Overcoats at half price, Scrap Goods, Hats and Caps. I have not space here to mention the many bargains I have for you.

A full line of Groceries, Dry Goods and Notions at bargain prices.

I can also save you money on everything you want in Machinery, from a Corn Sheller to a heavy Traction Rig.

Drop me a card, and I will send you a catalog of the machinery, and call and I will make you prices.

T. J. THORE WESTFIELD, N. C.

### PAY YOUR TAXES.

#### After March 15th You Will Be Liable to Cost.

I will meet the people of Stokes county at the following times and places for the purpose of collecting the taxes for the year 1909:

J. D. George's Store, Francisco,	Monday, January 17, 1910
S. W. Sams' Store, Pinnacle,	Tuesday, " 18, "
King, Boyles Bros. Store, Lawsonville,	Wednesday, " 19, "
Mabe & Sons Store, Sandy Ridge, (J. E. Shelton's Store) Prestonville,	Thursday, " 20, "
Dillard, Hartman's Store, Wilson's Store, Germantown,	Friday, " 21, "
Walnut Cove, Pine Hall, Geo. W. Neal's Store (Meadows), Danbury,	Saturday, " 22, "
Danbury,	Monday, Feb. 1, "
Danbury,	Tuesday, " 2, "
Danbury,	Wednesday, " 3, "
Danbury,	Thursday, " 4, "
Danbury,	Friday, " 5, "
Danbury,	Saturday, " 6, "
Danbury,	Monday, " 7, "

I trust the people will meet me promptly at above times and places and pay their taxes, as the money is much needed to pay the necessary expenses of the State and county governments. The State Treasurer is calling upon me to make collections, and urges prompt collections, and says the State must have its taxes. The funds to the credit of the county have been exhausted in paying for the new bridge at Walnut Cove, and nothing is now left in the Treasury to meet the necessary expenses of the County, and support of the poor; besides the school teachers are now wanting their money, so the people can clearly see the importance of paying their taxes promptly. It is not my desire to put anybody to cost, but I am charged with the collection and settlement of the taxes, and mean to faithfully discharge my duty in this matter. After the 15th of March, your property will be liable to levy and sale for taxes, if you do not pay before that time, so please pay now, and save yourselves costs and trouble. Do not wait until the 15th of March, but pay while you have the money from sale of tobacco, and get the matter off your hands, for by doing this, it will be best for you, and for the best advantage of both State and County. This is the year also, when poll taxes must be paid, in order to vote in the next general election, and you will surely not want to be disfranchised on account of the failure to pay your poll tax within the required time; so meet me on this round and pay up, and be in shape to vote. I have made many appointments as you will see above, in order to give the people an opportunity to settle their taxes with as little trouble to them as possible. I have made this notice lengthy because of the urgent necessity of collecting, and trust the people will not disregard it, but that on this my next round, the taxes will be promptly paid. The law does not require me to make but two rounds, one in October, and the other in March, and then only to go to one place in a township, and I am incurring extra trouble and expense in order to accommodate the people.

This the 27th day of December, 1909.

Respectfully, C. M. JONES, Sheriff.

## NOTICE!

To the Merchants:

I have plenty of good fresh ground meal, flour, chop and bran. Send me your orders. Prices right.

I want all the good wheat I can get. I am paying \$1.30 per bushel. I am also buying all the good corn I can get and am paying 85 cents per bushel.

JOHN R. LACKEY WALNUT COVE, N. C.

## Do You Want to Buy Your Fall and Winter Goods Cheap?

IF SO, TRY

J. S. MOREFIELD

GAP, N. C.

Whose Motto is Large Sales and Small Profits. Large Stock, including Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Millinery, Clothing, Groceries, Hardware, Etc.

## When you visit Walnut Cove

Don't Forget to call on J. A. FAGG

Who will sell you goods as cheap as you can buy them anywhere, and will give you honest weights and measures.

CHIX, EGGS, BUTTER, BEESWAX, HIDE AND ALL KINDS OF PRODUCE BOUGHT FOR CASH OR GOODS AND THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICES PAID TO ALL CUSTOMERS.

## PIGS FOR SALE

We now have on hand a lot of nice Poland China Berkshire Pigs. Our prices are right. Let us supply you.

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HAIR VIGOR  
An Elegant Dressing Makes Hair Grow  
Sulfur Chloride, Capsicum, Sage, Alcohol, Union of such a hair preparation.  
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