## EDITORIAL COMMENT

Hats off to Lee P. Frans, the shampion boy corn grower of Stokes county. We say this without disparagement to the other bright boys who made splendid records. But Lee Frans takes a State prize, and leads his companions. If Lee weren't a hustler, he wouldn't be the son of his dad.

Agreeably to an old-time custom, which the Reporter has of late years honored in the breach rather than in the observance, there will be no paper issued from this office next week. The boys are tired and want to go rabbit hunting. We have tried to serve you faithfully the past year, but have made many mis takes. We will be back again the first week in January, and will try to give you a better pa per for 1911 than ever before

At the State meeting of the Farmers' Union at Greensboro last week it was found that during the last year the member ship of the Union has increased about 100 per cent. It is wonderful how this organization has grown and is growing. And it is more wonderful how it has grown in this county, Stokes probably being the best organized county in the United States, among a national membership of something like $3,000,000$. When old Stokes gets a hump on herself she does things. The Union ought to succeed in ite mission because its principles are broad and grand, deep $\varepsilon$ nd high, and true as the Christian religionfor its foundation rock is the Christian brotherhood of man, and its deepest meaning justice truth and love. Let no man desert the standard because of trifling local differences, or because reforms do not come in a day. Give us the courage of Martin Luther, the wisdom of Abraham Lincoln, the integrity and pa and Thomas Joffe Washingto and Thomas Jefferson, and the
undying fortitude of Lee's ragundying fortitude of Lee's rag
ged regiments. Let every man stand firm not for a day or year, nor for an age, but till justice

Next Sunday begins Christmas which in the minds of some peocain. All over the and raising Christmas record usually is one of feasting, frolicing, fussing, ghting and murder. This refis to that class who can't njoy Christmas without booze

The reason that one-half the oung men never amount to anything in the way of position and salary is that they won't do what they know ought to be done until they are told. The reason that nineteen-twentieths of the other half make failures, is they won't do the thing right when told.
A mule belonging to John Golding, colored, of Danbury, which was bitten by a maddog near Winston a few days ago, developed hydrophobia last week and had to be shot. It was worth 250.00. Occasionally the do gets in its work. Sometimes it is on valuable live stock, some times human life. You can't end a person to the legislature with backbone enough to introuce a bill making it a heavy ne to allow dogs to run at large. If the depredations of dogs culd de confined to the interest of their owners, one's grief in cases of hydrophobia-the most orrible thing known to manould not be irreparable. Bu he innocent public most alway suffers.

## At Pinancle.

On December 28 at 4 o'clock . M., the ladies of the Associaic Schools will serve supper on the second floor of the High School building. Supper will consist of oysters, sandwiches, coffee, cake, etc. In the even ing at 7:30 an entertainment wil be given. Admission fees 10 and 25 cents. Proceeds will go towards paying for the piano desks, carpet for rostrum, and unabridged dictionary which has The public is cordially invited to attend.

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