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From Upper Hoke

Christmas has passed off very quiet in Upper Hoke. No accidents happened and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent.

Mr. D. K. Blue, register of deeds in Hoke is spending the holidays with his brother Mr. J. P. Blue, on route two.

We are having some very bad weather these days, and it's playing havoc with all out-door work, and our roads are getting in bad shape from the continued rains and steady travel.

Mr. A. W. McNeill, who has been working in a ship yard in Virginia for the past three years is home for the holidays. Mr. McNeill is looking well and says he is going back again.

We are sorry to report the illness of Mr. C. A. McNeill, of near Cypress Church, but we understand he is improving.

We would be glad to see everything get settled down so we would know how things would be for the coming year. Everything is so congested that it's hard to figure ahead. The farmer don't know whether to plant a large crop or a small one, but it seems that a cut in tobacco and cotton acreage would be advisable. But will the farmers do this, every fellow will think the other fellow will not plant much and it will be a good time for him to put in about the same amount as he had this year. What then when the test comes, too much of everything and down goes the prices. But if guano and other supplies will only come back to a normal price why won't there be as much money in ten cent cotton and ten cent tobacco as there was in 30 cent cotton and 30 cent tobacco with everything the farmer had to buy at the highest prices for the past few years.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Simpson, of Surry county, who has been visiting Mr. Walter Simpson, have returned home. Mr. Simpson's first trip to Hoke, and like all other visitors to Upper Hoke he was very much pleased with the general appearance of everything.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Morrison who have been spending a couple of months visiting relatives in Upper Hoke have returned home in High Point.

Mr. J. Hector Smith was a business visitor to Raleigh, Fayetteville and Raeford last week, he is connected with the Camp Bragg land appraisership.

Their was a box supper and tackey party at Hopewell, quite a nice little sum was taken in, and Mr. D. McGill received the prize for being the tackiest, Mr. J. W. Smith for being the ugliest and Miss Mamie McGill for being the prettiest girl. A good set of judges.

Hopeing one and all a happy and prosperous New Year and trusting, let times be as they may, that all will be for the best, in the long run. S.A.C.

There is one thing that will start a back-to-the-farm movement quicker than any thing else, and that is for the factories to start closing down.

"DO IT NOW"

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might," is the doctrine which needs to be preached today with all the emphasis in the nation's power. Because disaster has overtaken many, because the nation's buying power has been greatly decreased by reason of the rapid deflation in products and in employment we cannot afford to sit down and fold our hands, for that would only mean stagnation, and stagnation means death. If your plant needs new equipment or extension, and the money is available, DO IT NOW, and be ready for the next wave of activity, which will come as surely as the sun floods the earth with brightness after after the clouds have disappeared. If your town or city or county needs municipal buildings, schools or enlarged water-works or sewerage systems, if highway work and street construction need to be done, then do your utmost to see that these things are DONE NOW. Labor is seeking employment, manufactured products are available for all classes of construction work and at prices which, we believe, are below prices that will prevail in the not-distant future. Whenever the tide of business turns, as turn it will as surely as flood follows ebb tide, prices will advance and labor will once more be well employed, and at good wages. Today is the accepted time for entering upon a vigorous, aggressive campaign for all highway and municipal construction work, for putting manufacturing plants into better physical shape and equipping with needed machinery rather than wait until the rush of new work in the future makes all these things more difficult and costly.—Man. Record.

Jackson Springs

The Pilot is winning high praise as a newsy country edition. Why not be industrious and save 50 cents by subscribing to the best paper in this section of the State before the New Year comes in? We hope this paper will publish court calanders and other happenings around our county seat and all over this section of the state.

School closed here on Wednesday of last week and will open again Jan. 3. Teachers and boarding students have gone to their respective homes to spend the holidays and enjoy their vacation.

Miss Maggie Clark is at home from Durham to spend the holidays.

Messers. Recel and Alton McLeod spent Christmas with relatives at Mc-Bee, S. C.

Miss Bessie Reynolds who teaches at Star, is visiting friends here.

Mr. W. B. Jones, Jr., of Fayetteville, Miss Dorothy Jones of Durham, and Miss Eva Jones of the State Normal at Greensboro, is at home for the holidays.

Miss Ethel McKinzie has accepted

a position at Wake Forest.

Messers. Shelton Pool of State College, Clifton of Dover, and Herbert of Clinton are at home for the holidays.

Mr. Bill Ellis spent Christmas with home folks in Star.

Misses Nola and Monnie Currie of Candor and formaly of this place, were among those who successfully passed the examination for trained nurses before the Board of Examiners. of Trained Nurses.

Misses Irene and Walker Woodley are among those at home for the holidays from the State Normal.

Mr. and Robt. B. Norris and Mr. and Mrs. John Dilling and little daughter of Charlotte, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dilling.

Misses Edith and Vysta Markham who are teaching respectively at Summer Hill and High Falls are at home for the holidays.

Miss Agile Clark is at home from the normal.

The Community Club was entertained on Tuesday evening by the

Vass Route One

Miss Margaret McLeod of Efland, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLeod.

Miss Regina Blue, of Rocky Mount, is at home for the holidays.

Misses Laura and Hazel Blue, students at King's College, Raleigh, came home Friday.

Rev. and Mrs. R. A. McLeod, of Fayetteville, who have recently been on a wedding tour to Florida, are at Mr. J. A. McLeod's for a few days.

Miss Katherine McCaskell, of Pinehurst is spending a few days at her home on this route.

Mrs. R. S. Roger, of Norfolk is now at home to take care of her mother, Mrs. C. R. McDonold, who is still right sick.

Messers. McKeller Mclean and Davis Bruton were the week-end guests at Mrs. W. McC. Blues.

M. Grey, of Raleigh spent several days at the home of Mr. N. C. Blue, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Britt, of Lumberton, spent the week-end of Christmas week with Mrs. Britt's mother, Mrs. Mary Blue.

Rozella McCallums of Efland is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. McDonnotl, of Niagara are visiting at Mr. H. A. McCallums, this week.

Girls Literary Society of the High School, with a splendid programe.

Mr. Eugene McCaskill of State College and Luther Carter of King's Business College at Raleigh, are at home for the holidays.

Mr. R. A. Derby received a large number of beef steers from the west last week. Mr. Derby knows how to build up his farm without the use of so much high priced commercial fertilizer. He will sell his beeves in the spring.

Master Jack Cranford and little Miss Eva Cranford of Asheboro are the guest of Miss Margaret and Master Carlton McDonald.

Messers. Reba Pullian and Edgar Graham are at home from Elon College.

There will be some changes in the rural mail service here on Jan. 3rd, Mr. M. A. Clark who has carried the mail on Route 1 for more than 16 years will be transferred to route 2 and Mr. Archie Blue of near Carthage will serve the patrons on route 1.

On New Years Day there will be a Mass Meeting held in Carthage for the farmers. This does not mean for the farmers alone but for every body. As it is a holiday and a day we can all get together. So everybody be there and carry some one else.