## Byrd Creek New

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Precipation here in this area during the year of 1965 was less than the year before. Here is a record reading, which was taken down here at our mountain weather station. 96 days with rains; 46 storms; 54 frosty mornings; 95 foggy mornings; 25 snows; one hall storm.

The hottest day recorded in 1965 here was on August 16th, with the temperature reaching into the 90's with a 96 degrees reading.<sup>10</sup> The coldest morning in 1965, occurred on Feb. 3rd, and Dec. 1st, with the thermometer dropping down to a reading of 04 degrees.

24 inches of snow fell here, during the year of 1965. 25½ inches of rain fell here during the year. Only 4 light snows fell here during the first part of this season, which occurred from October to December 31st, 1965.

So go the weather; still remains dry. One inch of rain fell here in this area last week, the first that had fell here in several weeks. The creeks and branches rose somewhat after the rains came." They had been on the downward turn ever since August, which has been nearly 5 months. The rains was welcome to this immediately area. Springs are still considerably low, otherwise rose somewhat, when the rains came.

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Mr. and Mrs. Garfa Hughes from Huntdale, N. C. visited with Mr. Hughes' brothers and a sister here Christmas day.

Dewey Hughes of the Jake Hollow area visited with his brothers here Christmas day, Park and Coway Hughes.

Mrs. Sena Hughes of Huntdale, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Aspie McCourry here at Sycamore Hollow, Christmas day. It was her first visit to the Hollow in several years. Actually was Mrs. Hughes' second visit since she moved away approximately 16 years ago.

Miss Elva Hughes visited with Mr. anl Mrs. Aspie Mc-Curry Christmas day, and visited Byrd Creek Jan. 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Barnett spent several days at Pennsylvania during Christmas holidays, visiting with Mrs. Barnett's relatives.

Dennis Hughes went to Lenoir, Dec. 26th, to look for employment.

Charles Laws and Rube Bennett were here recently on business.

Several from this area attended a preaching service on Sunday night, Jan. 2nd, at Miller's Chapel on Cane Rver, in Yancey County. Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Barnett and daughter, Susan; Mr. and Mrs. Smith Hughes, and daughter, Teresa; Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Adkins, and 4 children; Rev. and Mrs. Aspie McCourry, and Mr. and Mrs. Seth Hughes. The writer accompanying them.

Aspie McCourry and Conway Hughes recently visited with R. C. Byrd on business \*\* at his Pigeon Roost home. Mr. Byrd is the grandson of the first settler here at Byrd Creek, Charlie C. Byrd.

Claude Hughes of the Wild Cat Hollow was here Sunday Jan. 2nd, visiting with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Edwards and Mrs. Willie Barnett from Byrd Creek visited with Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Adkins at Pigeon Roost Sunday.

Iven Lewis of Tennessee visited with his parents, here over the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Lewis.

Those who visited Bakersville, N. C. of Jan. 4th, were: Park Hughes, Asple McCourry, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Peterson and children, Le-Roy Miller, Arkie Barnett, M. and Mrs. Luther Hughes, Howard Byrd, Robert C. Eyrd, Howard Miller and the writer.

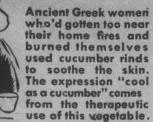
Seth Hughes and Marion Miller visited the Hughes boys here one day last week, Park and Conway Hughes.

John Honeycutt from Pigeon Roost visited here one day last week on business. Ray Barnett visited with Mr. and Mrs. Garfa Hughes at Huntdale Sunday, Jan. 2nd.

It is reported that Sena Hughes, and daughter, Elene started on their way, Jan. 2nd, for a trip to Oxford, Pa. there where they were to visit for several days with Mrs. Hughes' grandson, who was very ill at that time.

Ray Barnett of Byrd Creek v/as at Johnson City Jan. 6, on business. Women in the 16th century treated their cuts with balsam, an aromatic plant resin. This crude antiseptic was kept in jars near cooking areas in case

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Wayne Murphy of Lenoir, N. C. visited with Park and Conway Hughes, here Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>. It was his first visit in this area in several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Adkins moved from Marion recently where they had lived for several years. They now live at the dwelling house that they purchased from Ephles Peterson at Pigeon Roost.

Mr. Robert Peterson of Lenoir, N. C. visited the Hughes' here at Byrd Creek, on Dec. 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Miller of Tipton Hill visited with her relatives here Dec. 26-27.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Honeycutt spent the Christmas holidays at Charlotte, N. C. visiting with the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Peterson of Mt. Holly, N. C. spent the Christmas holidays here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey J. Miller visited with Mr. and Mrs. Seth Hughes here Dec. 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Peterson of Brummetts Creek

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