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Mt. Hermon Notes.

Mt. Hermon, La., Dec. 19.—There is just a faint Christmas spirit being manifested in Mt. Hermon. The women-folks are busy cooking fruit cake and other kinds while the men are killing hogs, hauling up wood and doing the things necessary for a full week's jollification. Occasionally a fellow can be seen with a case marked glass under his arm with a Christmas smile all over his face, making the hills a Pleasant fellow.

Mt. Hermon is still on the mend and growing. Miss Alice Varnado has rented the Mt. Hermon Bank Building and has opened a dressmakers establishment in it and will have a milliners shop in connection in the spring.

Mr. A. E. Williams of Magnolia delivered two lectures in the Mt. Hermon school Building last Thursday evening and at night a large crowd was in attendance at the night lecture and those that were there said it was fine. He lectured in the Sunny Hill schoolhouse Friday night.

Mrs. J. M. Brock will leave for her home in Grand Cane, where she goes to spend the holidays.

Rev. W. E. Tynes gave a series of lectures on the Bible in the Sunny Hill schoolhouse last week. It needs no comment to assure the public that they were fine as he is known to be one of the best Bible lecturers of the country.

Rev. Hosea James preached his last sermon today for this year in the Mt. Hermon Baptist Church. Rev. Hudson will supply the church the ensuing year.

Frank M. who is attending University of Urmoo, Ill., came home for the holidays. We suppose all the youngfolks that are off teaching and going to school will come home for Christmas and then Christmas will move some.

Mr. H. M. Schilling and family are arranging to move to Meridian, Miss., after Christmas. We are sorry to see them leave. Leland.

We are now selling \$5, \$3 and \$2 merchandise cards good for anything in our store at any time with which we give 2500, 1500 and 1000 piano notes respectively.—Ideal Drug Store.

For Rent—Six room house. Apply at this office.

Sunny Hill Notes

Sunny Hill, La., Dec. 19.—Dear Era Leader:

With best wishes from Sunny Hill, to you who know all so well and moving on nicely in our quiet but active little community, some sickness has prevailed but nothing of a fatal type so far. The autumn and early winter season has as we know been one of the most beautiful and lovely ever known and all nature looks lovely.

How cheering it is to know that we have friends and to know that they sometimes remember us. Yesterday was a beautiful Sabbath day, we (myself and wife) did not expect anything unusual although it is the near approach of her birthday, but we had gotten thru with the morning chores the kind neighbors and children began to gather in with baskets blossoms, etc., and the truth dawned on us that it was a birthday surprise party.

The surprise was complete for us old people. The children all knew it but kept it from us; however we were glad all the children grand-children, neighbors and friends that came brought great loads of good things to eat and a good many presents. We thank them all each and everyone for such a kind remembrance. It was a day long to be gratefully remembered with us.

It was my good fortune to be at a family reunion on Saturday, at the residence of my good old friend John L. Bankston, he has eleven children all are married and have families but one and all were present but one that lives in Texas. Some other friends were present. The children are all living and of lawful age and were having a mutual settlement with their father in regard to their deceased mother's estate. All was settled in perfect harmony.

Everything seems to be moving nicely. Our school is doing fine, not a jar nor hitch in it so far. We have 170 pupils by actual enrollment with 35 or more above the seventh grade. We are glad to note that all our neighboring schools report a good state of prosperity. All this speaks well for our people and country. Wishing success to the Era-Leader and all friends with a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Good-bye.

Uncle Leslie.

GREETINGS

TO MY FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

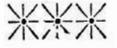
In plain and simple language, and with each word pregnant with truth and sincerity, I offer you the compliments of the season and tender you my thanks for your goodness to me during the past year.



Your support has been generous to a degree; even beyond my fondest expectations, and your many kind words conveyed to me have been an inspiration and have served in my business, to brighten many weary hours of toil.



Again I greet you, and express the wish that the new year about to be born may be one of great prosperity, contentment and happiness to you and those who are dear to you.



Sincerely and fraternally yours,
Wm. CARP, Proprietor,
BOSTON^A N^D 5 & 10C
STORE. STORE.

We Greet You With Thanks

GREETINGS of the new year to you all! May it bring you the best in the land and that which you desire most of all things.

We give you the warmest thanks for the patronage you have extended to us in such liberal portions, with the full assurance that no pains will be spared in the coming year to warrant a continuance of your friendship and support.

Again We Greet and Thank You
BABINGTON'S DRUG STORE,
 (Incorporated.)

A Merry Xmas

AND Happy and Prosperous New Year TO EVERYBODY

We take this method of expressing our sincerest wishes for a merry Christmas and happy and prosperous new year. We also wish to thank you for your liberal patronage during the year of 1915. You have helped our business and now we are in position to give you better service than ever before. We are ready to do this for the coming year.

TO THOSE

Who are not our customers, we invite you to give us a share of your trade during 1916, assuring you satisfaction.

S. H. BURRIS, Inc.

Wood Jackson.

Married—On Thursday night in the presence of the immediate family in the parlor at Mrs. J. E. Wood, a very quiet wedding was solemnized between Mr. Wiley M. Wood and Miss Marguerite Jackson, Rev. J. A. McCormack officiating.

The bride is a specially lovable young lady of Hammond who has been teaching in this parish all fall and winter, and while spending every week-end in Franklinton has won many warm friends who are glad to welcome her among us permanently. The groom who has grown up here, numbers his friends by the population of the town. He is a progressive young business man being proprietor of the Ideal Drug Store and has proven by years of energetic and faithful application to business, his ability to establish and maintain a position as head of a new family. We hope for this young couple a bright future and a specially happy residence in Franklinton.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF THE Washington Bank & Trust Company

at the close of business on December 24, 1915

| RESOURCES | |
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| Loans and Discounts | \$ 158,490.65 |
| Stocks and Bonds | 28,739.00 |
| Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures | 8,600.00 |
| CASH ON HAND AND IN BANKS | 35,992.15 |
| Total | \$ 231,821.80 |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Capital Stock | \$ 50,000.00 |
| SURPLUS | 2,000.00 |
| UNDIVIDED PROFITS | 3,357.69 |
| DEPOSITS | 138,964.11 |
| Bills payable | 37,500.00 |
| Total | \$ 231,821.80 |