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STREET OPENING DEFERRED

Town Board Decides to Defer Matter of Moving Dead Bodies in Old Cemetery in Order to Open First Street From Elm to Chestnut—Cemetery Commission Appointed—Warrants Will Be Issued Against All Who Refuse to comply With Ordinance Requiring Water and Sewer Connections—School and Boarding House Ordinance.

At a meeting Thursday evening of the mayor and town commissioners Messrs. Geo. L. Thompson and L. T. Townsend, the committee appointed to make investigation as to the advisability of the town taking steps to open First street between Elm and Chestnut by removing the dead bodies from the southern edge of the "old Seaboard cemetery," reported that there are 20 or more graves within proposed street line that it would be necessary to move, that it would cost something like \$400 to do this work, and that they consider it not advisable for this work to be undertaken unless there should be a general public demand for it. It was ordered that the matter be deferred until some future meeting.

Mayor White, upon authority given him by the board, appointed a cemetery commission as follows: C. B. Townsend, chairman; E. B. Freeman, Alf. H. McLeod, C. B. Skipper, L. C. Townsend. It shall be the duty of the commission to look after the two cemeteries over which the town has control, as provided in chapter VII of the general ordinances of the town of Lumberton.

Town Attorney Stacy was instructed to write to all parties who have not complied with the sanitary ordinance requiring water and sewer connection advising them that the recorder will be requested to issue warrants against all parties who fail or refuse to comply with the terms of this ordinance.

Messrs. D. P. Walters, L. T. Townsend, Geo. L. Thompson and J. D. Proctor voting in the affirmative and Messrs. C. B. Redmond and S. H. Hamilton voting in the negative, the following ordinance was passed:

"Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation having in charge any school or boarding-house in the town of Lumberton on the east side of Lumber river, where more than twenty-five people are accommodated at any one time, to maintain any surface privy for the use of said school or boarding-house, but shall be required to connect with the city sewer and water.

Sec. 2. Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this ordinance, after having been given thirty days notice in writing by the town clerk and treasurer, shall be fined \$10, and each day thereafter shall constitute a new and separate offense."

Harry K. Thaw Makes Sensational Escape From Matteawan Asylum.

Matteawan, N. Y., Dispatch, 17th. Harry Kendall Thaw, the slayer of pitfall for the Criminal Insane here at 7:45 o'clock this morning. A dart for liberty through an open gate, a leap into the open door of a powerful automobile that stood quivering outside and a flight like a rocket for the Connecticut State line, 30 miles away, accomplished his escape. Stanford White, escaped from Hos-

pital authorities felt certain that he was outside the State. Once beyond its boundaries Thaw is free. Only months, perhaps years of litigation can bring him back to Matteawan and then only in one event—that he be adjudged insane in the State to which he has fled.

Five confederates manned the car in which Thaw escaped and a big black limousine which trailed it past the asylum gate. The police have the description of Thaw's confederates and the names under which they registered at a local hotel Friday night and are seeking them.

The hospital authorities believed that Thaw fled to the shore of Long Island Sound and boarded a yacht waiting with steam up to rush him to Europe.

The Carolina Municipal Association held at Wrightsville Beach Thursday and Friday its 5th annual convention. Mayor Charles A. Bland of Charlotte was re-elected president and Charlotte was selected as the next meeting place.

Any skin itcher is a temper tester. The more you scratch the worse it itches. Doan's Ointment is for piles, eczema—any skin itching. 50c at all drug stores.

MAY BE RE-OPENED.

Stocks, Etc., of Defunct Lumberton Drug Company Purchased by Jno. M. Scott of Charlotte at \$2,630—Store May Be Opened for Business Again.

At the receiver's sale Friday at the court house of the Lumberton Drug Co, the entire stock, fixtures, accounts, etc., of the defunct company was bid in as a whole by Mr. John M. Scott, a wholesale druggist of Charlotte and largest creditor, at \$2,630. Sold as separate items, the highest bids totaled only \$1,820. Besides Mr. Scott the bidders were Messrs. C. B. Skipper, H. H. Anderson, Jno. D. McMillan, T. A. McNeill, Jr., and A. E. White, all of Lumberton. The stock of drugs inventoried over \$2,400. The unpaid accounts amount to more than \$1,500. This sale was conducted by Mr. Jno. S. McDonald, receiver. Creditors probably will receive about 50 per cent. If no higher bid is made within the 20 days allowed by law and the sale is confirmed it is very probable that the store will be reopened by some Lumberton people with Mr. McDonald, who was manager and druggist for the company for a short while before it was placed in his hands as receiver, in charge.

WANTED IN FLORIDA.

Popular Young Lathario Arrested On Serious Charge.

Deputy Sheriff Willis Britt and Rural Policeman Eli Phillips arrested Saturday at Oakdale, near Marietta, Arthur Hance, a white man 23 years of age. Hance is wanted at Plant City, Fla., on the charge of rape. The warrant was received by Sheriff Lewis Friday. Hance made no resistance at all. He says he is guilty, in part, of the offense for which the warrant was issued. He says that his home is in South Carolina, and that his father has plenty of money to fight the case if he can only persuade him to spend it in that way.

Hance was a favorite with the girls. He had been in the Marietta section only a few days, and when arrested no less than three girls in that section cried like their best and dearest friend was being taken from them. Hance says he has always had a good time, and this is the first time he was ever indicted for any offense.

Deputy Sheriff A. E. Brooks of Hillsboro county, Fla., arrived this morning and will leave for Florida with Hance, who will go without requisition papers, tomorrow.

DROPPED DEAD ON STREET.

William Jones, Aged Colored Man Falls on Elm Street Saturday Afternoon.

William Jones, colored, about 65 years old, fell dead on Elm street Saturday afternoon about 3 o'clock in front of the Boylin Jewelry Store. A large crowd of the morbidly curious gathered around and completely blocked the sidewalk for some minutes and shut off the air while Dr. W. A. McPhaul tried to revive him, but he probably did not breathe after striking the sidewalk. Death is understood to have been due to apoplexy. He had been complaining of trouble with his heart for several days. Several daughters and sons survive. William had lived in Lumberton all his life and was a dandy of good character who had the respect of all.

Among the Sick.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Groves of Barker's will leave tonight for Richmond, Va., where Mrs. Groves will undergo a very serious operation at the Johnston-Willis hospital. Mr. Groves is pastor of the St. Paul's circuit.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. French and children returned Thursday night from Buffalo Lithia Springs, Va., where they spent some time for Mr. French's health, going there from Richmond, Va., where Mr. French underwent treatment for some time at the Hygeia hospital. Mr. French's is considered very much improved.

Mr. T. R. Tolar, who is undergoing osteopathic treatment at Fayetteville, returned home Saturday evening and returned to Fayetteville this morning. It is thought that he is deriving considerable benefit from the treatment.

At the convention of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association in Wilmington last week Capt. J. D. McNeill was re-elected president, which position he has held since 1894.

"I have been somewhat costive, but Doan's Regulets give just the results I desire. They act mildly and regulate the bowels perfectly."—Geo. B. Krause, Altoona, Pa.

WIFE-MURDER AT HAMLET.

Geo. S. Nance of Macon, Ga., Murdered Wife at Seaboard Hotel and Set Fire to Body.—No Effort Made to Escape.

Hamlet Special, 15th, to Charlotte Observer.

In the middle of the floor of a room in which the furniture was blazing the body of Mrs. G. S. Nance, registered at the Seaboard hotel here as being from Macon, Ga., was found at 6:30 this evening with the skull fractured in several places and the clothing burned off, while beside it lay an empty beer bottle, the weapon with which her husband is charged with causing her death.

The head was beaten almost into jelly, 11 wounds showing on back, top and forehead. Her husband, who came with her to the hotel here this morning, was arrested within three rooms on the same floor, and told the chief of police how he killed his wife.

Nance is reported as saying that his wife told him that she was going to have him put in an asylum, that he was crazy and had been for years, that she was now as crazy as he was and intended to stop at nothing. Then she seized him by the throat, says Nance, and choked him.

Whereupon he freed himself and with the beer bottle fractured her skull, and seeing she was dead poured kerosene over her clothing and the furniture and fired the room.

J. G. Scott, another guest of the hotel, met Nance in the hall before the fire had time to spread, saw smoke coming from Nance's room and getting an extinguisher attempted to enter. Nance tried to prevent his doing so, but Scott opened the door far enough to permit his using the extinguisher. N. M. Surratt, another guest, came on the scene at this time and saw the body. The two men carried the dead woman into the hall, put out the fire in her clothing, made an examination and saw that the skull was fractured and the woman was dead. They called Chief of Police Brazewell, who found Nance three doors from where his wife lay. He made no attempt to escape.

Nance then told the chief, it is said, that he killed his wife with the beer bottle and set fire to the room. He was held by the coroner's jury for the murder and at once carried to jail at Rockingham.

The man and woman arrived here on Seaboard train No. 12, and on going to the hotel registered and said they would spend the day here and go on to Norfolk tonight. Nance is about 40 years of age. His wife was slightly younger, small and pretty. They were around the hotel all day and out on the streets at times.

The dead woman was handsomely dressed and wore a large diamond. Among the things found in her handbag was a receipted bill from S. H. George & Co., of Greenville, S. C., which was addressed to Mrs. George S. Nance, 321 Laurens street, Greenville, S. C. Her shoes have the name of a Knoxville, Tenn., firm.

Nance is of medium size, slender, clean shaven. He had \$536 in bills and coin on his person when arrested, a Government bond for \$1,000 and a deposit slip from a Macon bank showing \$1,100 deposited in that institution.

A coroner's jury returned the verdict that Mrs. Nance came to death at the hands of her husband, George S. Nance, and committed him to jail without bond. Chief of Police Brazewell immediately hurried the prisoner to Rockingham. In addition to the charge of murder the charge of arson is made against Nance. It was only by the timely arrival of Messrs. Scott and Surratt, who were reinforced by other guests, that the hotel was saved from being burned down.

An effort has been made by the authorities to locate relatives of the deceased and the prisoner, but at midnight they had been unavailing. The body of Mrs. Nance was delivered to an undertaker, who will hold it subject to instructions.

Rev. C. H. Durham Leaves Tomorrow On Trip to Pacific Coast.

Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, will leave tomorrow on an extended trip to the Pacific Coast. He will go by way of Atlanta, Montgomery, New Orleans, Dallas and Fort Worth, Tex., Oklahoma City, Denver, Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle, will spend a week in Yellowstone Park, and will return via Chicago. Mr. Durham will be away five or six weeks, returning by the 1st of October.

This trip is given Mr. Durham by a Lumberton friend whose name The Robesonian is not at liberty to give.

ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Jno. Carver Taken to Cumberland County to Answer Charge of Attempting Assault on His Niece.

Jno. Carver, who lives on ex-Sheriff G. B. McLeod's farm in Wishart's township, 7 miles from Lumberton, was arrested at his home Thursday afternoon by Sheriff R. E. Lewis, Deputy Sheriff Willis Britt and Rural Policeman Eli Phillips on a warrant charging him with attempting criminal assault upon his niece Lanie Carver, 13 or 14 years, old, daughter of his brother W. H. Carver, who lives on the same farm. He was confined in jail in Lumberton until Saturday morning, when he was taken to Cumberland county, where the alleged assault was committed, by Deputy Sheriff Monaghan, and it is understood that preliminary hearing was to be held this morning at 10 o'clock before Justice Jno. Smith at Roslin.

The charge is made by the girl's father. It is alleged that Tuesday afternoon of last week Mr. W. H. Carver's daughter accompanied Jno. Carver and his wife and children to Hope Mills, that Carver was drinking, that when they reached Hope Mills Carver would not let his niece get out of the carriage when his wife and children got out but drove away with girl, made her drunk and kept her out nearly all night. It is understood that he did not accomplish his purpose but the girl suffered considerably from the experience.

PREACHER 140 YEARS OLD.

So His Preacher Son Says—Has Had Nine Wives.

There is in this county, in the town of Proctorville, a preacher who says his father is a preacher too, and that his father is one hundred and forty years old,—and that without a doubt of any kind so far as he is concerned. (Not so with everybody). He says his mother died at the ripe old age of eighty-four, and that his father has been the husband of eight women since his mother died.

Insect Damaging Cotton.

Mr. W. H. McMillan, who lives near Tolarville, is in town today. He says some kind of insect is punching holes in his cotton bolls and he fears that it is going to damage his cotton crop considerably. He does not know what kind of a looking creature it is that is doing the work, but it looks to him very much like the work of the boll weevil. Mr. McMillan says that in some places in his field he can find as many as four or five bolls on one stalk that that have been damaged by this insect and in the damaged bolls can be found a little white worm. Messrs. J. I. Townsend and E. W. M'White of Ten Mile are also in town today and say that this same insect is doing some work in their cotton fields.

Recorder's Court—Fines Imposed for Exceeding Speed Limit.

The following cases have been disposed of in the recorder's court by Assistant Recorder R. A. McLean since the last issue of The Robesonian: Tom McLaughlin, colored, retailing, 6 months on roads. Harrison Rogers, colored, vagrancy, 30 days on roads. Harry McQueen, colored, vagrancy, dismissed.

Dr. N. A. Thompson and Mr. H. B. Jennings of Lumberton and Mr. W. J. Beatty of Hope Mills, all for exceeding the speed limit with automobiles, \$5 and costs each.

Hugh M. Parham of St. Paul, assault on Chief of Police M. P. Newton of St. Paul, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Mr. Dave Evans of Marietta.

Mr. Dave Evans of the Marietta section died at his home Saturday of last week. His remains were laid to rest in the family burying ground Sunday p. m. Mr. Evans was 80 years old and death was due to old age. Deceased is survived by his wife and one son, Mr. Sandy Evans of Marietta.

Mothers! Have your Children worms?

Are they feverish, restless, nervous, irritable, dizzy or constipated? Do they continually pick their nose or grind their teeth? Have they cramping pains, irregular and ravenous appetite? These are all signs of worms. Worms not only cause your child suffering, but stunt its mind and growth. Give "Kickapoo Worm Killer" at once. It kills and removes the worms, improves your child's appetite, regulates stomach, liver and bowels. The symptoms disappear and your child is made happy and healthy, as nature intended. All druggists or by mail, 25c.

KICKAPOO INDIAN MEDICINE CO. Philadelphia, Pa. St. Louis, Mo.

WATER-WALKER WADES.

Indian Fanatic Who Promised to Walk on the Waters Does a Wading Stunt—Much People Gathered to See.

Many from here and other places went yesterday to Moss Neck to see the Indian lady who was to have walked on the water a week ago yesterday but was, she said, told by the Lord to wait till yesterday. And instead of one being present to walk yesterday two were on hand for to walk. One started and waded into the pond until the water almost ran up to her mouth, then the other said the Lord had not commanded her to walk, and so the meeting closed with nothing done except a woman wet, and a large crowd made to feel like they had gone for nothing. Mr. H. M. Beasley says he rented eight horses for \$3.50 each to folks who went to Moss Neck to see a woman wade in the pond.

CHURCH NOTES.

Quarterly Conference at Methodist Church Next Sunday Evening—Robeson Union Meeting Postponed.

Rev. A. McCullen, presiding elder of the Rockingham district, will hold the third quarterly conference for the year at Chestnut Street Methodist church next Sunday evening after preaching service.

Children's day was observed at the Broad Ridge Baptist church, ten miles south of Lumberton, yesterday. Among those who attended from Lumberton were Messrs. Frank Gough and Grover Britt, who went by the way of Mt. Eliam, Mr. Gough making speech. Both at Mt. Eliam and Broad Ridge.

On account of the intended absence of so many of the pastors the meeting of the Robeson Union, which was to have been held with the Rowland church Aug. 28-30, has been postponed until Nov. 27-29.

There was no preaching service at the First Baptist church yesterday morning, the regular service being held last evening. During the next five or six weeks, during which time Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of this church, will be away on a trip to the Pacific Coast, as mentioned elsewhere in this paper, there will be no regular preaching service at this church, but the pulpit will be filled as often as possible by out-of-town preachers.

Church Picnic at Oakdale—A Great Affair.

The picnic at Oakdale, near Marietta, Saturday was a great affair. The program consisted of a speech by Mr. H. E. Stacy, a young attorney of Lumberton, in the afternoon, and an "Old Maids' Convention," by the girls of the community in the evening, beginning at 7:30. The speech by Mr. Stacy was a gem. He took for his subject, "Character As An Asset," and handled the subject in a masterly way. Refreshments of various kinds were served by the young ladies, the proceeds to be used for purchasing seats for the new Baptist church, the nicest we ever saw in the country, which was recently completed. It was this reporter's misfortune to have to leave before the "Old Maids' Convention," but he is sure it was a success as there are plenty of young girls in that good section to present a play of that kind. There are forty-four young girls in the Philathea class in the Sunday school at that place, with only six young men to make up the Baraca class.

Oakdale is right in the heart of Black Ankle, once known as a place of rough times, but now known as one of the best and most prosperous sections in the "State of Robeson."

A Washington dispatch of the 16th announced the appointment of two fourth-class postmasters in Bladen county—Edgar E. Craven at Abbottsburg and Duncan W. Smith at Kelly.

—Miss Lucy Penny, daughter of Mr. Tom Penny, and Mr. John Longest, both of the National Cotton Mills village, were married yesterday morning at the home of the officiating officer, Justice Jno. H. McNeill, 3 miles east of Lumberton. Quite a crowd of friends of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony.

—Miss Florence Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jackson, has resigned a position to which she had been elected as teacher in the Lumberton graded school to accept a position as teacher of Latin and German in a high school at Washburn, Wisconsin. She will leave for Washburn some time next week.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Cotton today, 11½ cents.

—Miss Edna Prevatt left this morning for Union Springs, near Asheville, where she will teach school.

—Regular meeting of Saint Albans Lodge No 114, A. F. & A. M., tomorrow evening. Degree work.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Katie Mears and A. M. Webb; Lucy Penny and John Longest.

—Mr. N. C. Long of Davidson began work this morning in the grocery department of White & Gough's big department store.

—Mr. J. W. Smith, a veteran 79 years old, who for several years has been making his home at the Jennings Cotton Mill village, left this morning for the old soldiers' home at Raleigh.

—Capt. A. B. Small attended Friday an all-day picnic at Moss Neck and says it was a very enjoyable occasion. It was gotten up by Mr. E. Taylor, manager of the Red Banks farm, and wife.

—Mr. E. P. Ross, an expert insurance accountant of Greensboro, is spending some time here installing a new and modern system of bookkeeping for the LaFayette Mutual Life Insurance Company.

—Miss Katie Stone of Mt. Eliam is in town today. Miss Stone is here for the purpose of securing a place to board after September 1st, at which time she will take charge of the primary department of the public school at East Lumberton.

—George Washington Smith, colored, came into the office the other day and passed out a slip upon which was written the information that he would leave for Raleigh today to take "the operation." What for he did not say.

—Mr. J. A. Boone, Jr., will leave this evening for Raleigh, where he will attend the Farmers' Demonstration Institute, also the State Convention of the Farmers' Union. Mr. Boone is manager of the demonstration work in Robeson county.

—"An Abbreviated Honeymoon," the story of a brand new husband and a near-deserted wife, Cines, and "At the Masquerade Ball," an Edison drama, will be the pictures shown at the Pastime theatre this evening. In addition to these two reels, a new reel, just out, showing how Royal clothes are made, will be shown.

—Misses Cammie McNeill, Mildred McIntyre, Amanda McDiarmid, Agnes McLean and Annie Neill Fuller expect to leave tomorrow morning for Rowland, where they will be guests of Miss Berta McNeill. They will be members of a house party Miss McNeill is giving and they will probably be in Rowland several days.

—Mr. Lewis Walker, who lives near Long Branch church, rural route No. 4 from Lumberton, is looking for a wagon. Somebody drove away with it Saturday from Lumberton without saying a word to Mr. Walker about it. Mr. Walker is sure it was just a mistake and is ready to forgive the careless one if he will only return the wagon.

—Dr. R. T. Allen received yesterday a card from Mr. Gerald Pitman, who left Lumberton more than a month ago with Mr. S. F. Caldwell for a European trip. The card was mailed from London and brought the information that they are having a good time but have no time to write. Maybe that explains why these young gentlemen are not sending the promised letters to The Robesonian.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Floyd of Fairmont passed through town today en route home from Statesville, where Mr. Floyd, who is chairman of the board of commissioners of Robeson county, attended the State convention of county commissioners. Since the convention adjourned Mr. and Mrs. Floyd have been in the mountains enjoying the mountain breezes. Mr. Floyd reports a pleasant and profitable meeting of the commissioners.

—Announcements reading as follows have been received here:

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bicherey announce the marriage of their daughter Martha Josephine to

Mr. John Guy Hardie on Saturday, August ninth Nineteen hundred and thirteen Purcell, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Bicherey and their daughter moved to Purcell three or four years ago. They have many friends here who will be interested in this announcement.