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## Governor Orders Troops To Concord

**2 Companies Ordered to Concord to Suppress Disorders Growing Out of Strike of Cotton Mill Workers—Concord Town and Cabarrus County Officers Advise Governor They Are Unable to Handle Situation.**

The following dispatches are taken from today's Greensboro Daily News: Raleigh, Aug. 14.—Two companies of national guard troops were ordered to Concord by Governor Cameron Morrison early tonight to suppress disorders growing out of a strike of cotton mill workers in progress there for several months. Maj. R. R. Faison, commanding the second battalion, first North Carolina infantry, was directed to take command of the two companies.

**CONCORD AND CHARLOTTE COMPANIES ORDERED OUT**  
Asheville, Aug. 14.—Governor Cameron Morrison tonight ordered state troops to Concord, in Cabarrus county, to take complete charge of the textile strike situation. General John Van Mettes, commander of the 119th regiment during the World war, has been requested to take charge at once and use a special train if necessary. The Concord troops have been ordered mobilized and the Charlotte troops in arms ready for immediate call.

**CONSIDERABLE DISORDER BREAKS OUT AT THE MILL**  
Concord, Aug. 14.—Following continued trouble and a number of hand-to-hand fights between special officers of the local police force and cotton mill strikers who have been trying to prevent operatives of the Locke cotton mills from going to work. Sheriff Carl Spears this afternoon wired Governor Cameron Morrison that the situation here was beyond his control and the governor ordered the local company of the national guard to take charge of the situation.

Captain Kenneth Caldwell and 80 members of the local company mustered tonight and were preparing at a late hour to march to the Locke mills where they will see that order is restored. Word also reached here that other companies of the national guard had been ordered to Concord and Adjutant-General John B. Mettes, formerly commander of the 119th Infantry of the 30th Division, wired that he was on the way to Concord where he will assume control.

A number of cotton mill owners, including T. H. Webb, manager of the Locke mills, went to Asheville Saturday to tell Governor Morrison what conditions here were. City Attorney Morrison Caldwell accompanied them. They have been in constant conference with the governor but executive action did not come until Sheriff Spears wired his inability longer to control the situation.

After a peaceful resumption of work at the Locke mills last Friday morning, following a six months' strike, feeling has steadily grown more bitter. Strikers from other mills have been assembling at the mill gates, morning, noon and night. The jeering has increased and many harsh words have been exchanged. A special officer who had been jeered at by some of the younger strikers lost his temper and swore at them. Several fights followed and the officer was removed from duty. In the fight some of the young girls bit one of the officers. One man named Bowles was arrested for disorderly conduct and is now being held and warrants have been sworn out for 15 or 20 other men.

Unofficial reports here tonight say that the manager of the Hartsell mill is planning to resume operations Monday at noon. If the Hartsell mill does start, it will be the first of the score of mills where operatives went out June 1 to start up again. The Locke mills, where the present trouble has been, have been under strike since February.

Other unofficial but persistent reports have reached here from Kannapolis to the effect that 500 operatives in the mills there have signed a petition there to go back to work. It is also reported, but not confirmed that 45 ejection notices have been posted on houses in Kannapolis and that steps will be taken in the near future to move the former operatives out. If this is so, it will be the first wholesale ejection that has been attempted in any of the mills. The Hartsell mill has been trying to move out about a dozen families.

**Charged With Violating Sanitary Laws.**  
Francis Watson, Fred Brisson, Barden Gore, Tom Dow, Fred Hinson and Henry Edwards were given a hearing before Assistant Recorder L. J. Britt Saturday on the charge of violating the sanitary laws. All were found guilty and prayer for judgment was continued for 60 days upon condition that the law be complied with and payment of the cost.

**Bride 15. Groom 16.**  
Miss Myrtle Ward and Mr. Herbert Fowler were married in the register of deeds office Friday at 3:30 p. m. Justice M. G. McKenzie officiated. The bride was 15 and the groom 16 years old.

## Prices Higher On Better Grades

**It is Expected That This Week Will be a Record-Breaker and That Prices Will be Higher Than Last Week—Some of the Best of the Crop Probably Will be Marketed This Week.**

Prices ranged higher on the better grades of tobacco today, while there was no advance in the price of the off grades. Sales today were larger than expected, owing to the weather, and it is expected that this week will be a record-breaker for the season.

Bidding was lively today, especially upon good tobacco, and it is thought that prices will be higher generally this week than last. Some of the best of this year's crop will be marketed this week.

## To Plan Campaign Against Boll Weevil

**Meeting will be Held Friday at Home of Mr. Jno. W. Gaddy in Gaddy Township to Consider Best Methods of Fighting Boll Weevil—Mr. Gaddy's is Only Farm in Robeson Where Weevils Have Appeared.**

A meeting at which plans will be considered for combating the boll weevil and studying methods of farming under weevil conditions will be held on the farm of Mr. Jno. W. Gaddy in Gaddy township Friday of this week at 9:30 a. m. Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator, will be in charge of the meeting and the public is invited.

Boll weevils are numerous in Mr. Gaddy's cotton and those attending the meeting will have the opportunity of observing him in the various stages of his life and the destructive work which he does in cotton "forms." This is the only farm in Robeson upon which weevils have been discovered, according to Mr. Dukes.

## Cooperative Marketing Meeting

**Interest Continues to Grow in Plan—Robeson Farmers Are Signing Contracts.**

Interest continues to grow in the co-operative marketing plan and many Robeson farmers are signing the contracts. Mr. L. S. Prevatt, director of the drive, says he traveled all day recently and only found three farmers who had not signed a contract. Meetings will be held at the following places this week:  
Antioch, Monday night.  
Sand Hill, Tuesday night.  
Smith's, Wednesday night.  
McDonald, Thursday night.  
Regan, Friday night.

## PREACHER KILLS PRIEST

Father James E. Coyle Shot and Killed by Rev. E. R. Stephenson at Birmingham, Ala., Dispatch, Aug. 11.—Father James E. Coyle, for many years pastor of St. Paul's Catholic church, died at a hospital tonight after having been shot three times by Rev. E. R. Stephenson, Methodist minister, early tonight.

Immediately after the shooting Stephenson went to the county jail and surrendered, admitting, according to deputies, that he shot the priest. Officers quote Stephenson as declaring he shot Father Coyle because the latter had performed a marriage ceremony between Stephenson's daughter and Pedro Gussman, a Catholic.

## Minimum Cooperative Marketing Requirements will be Reached Soon.

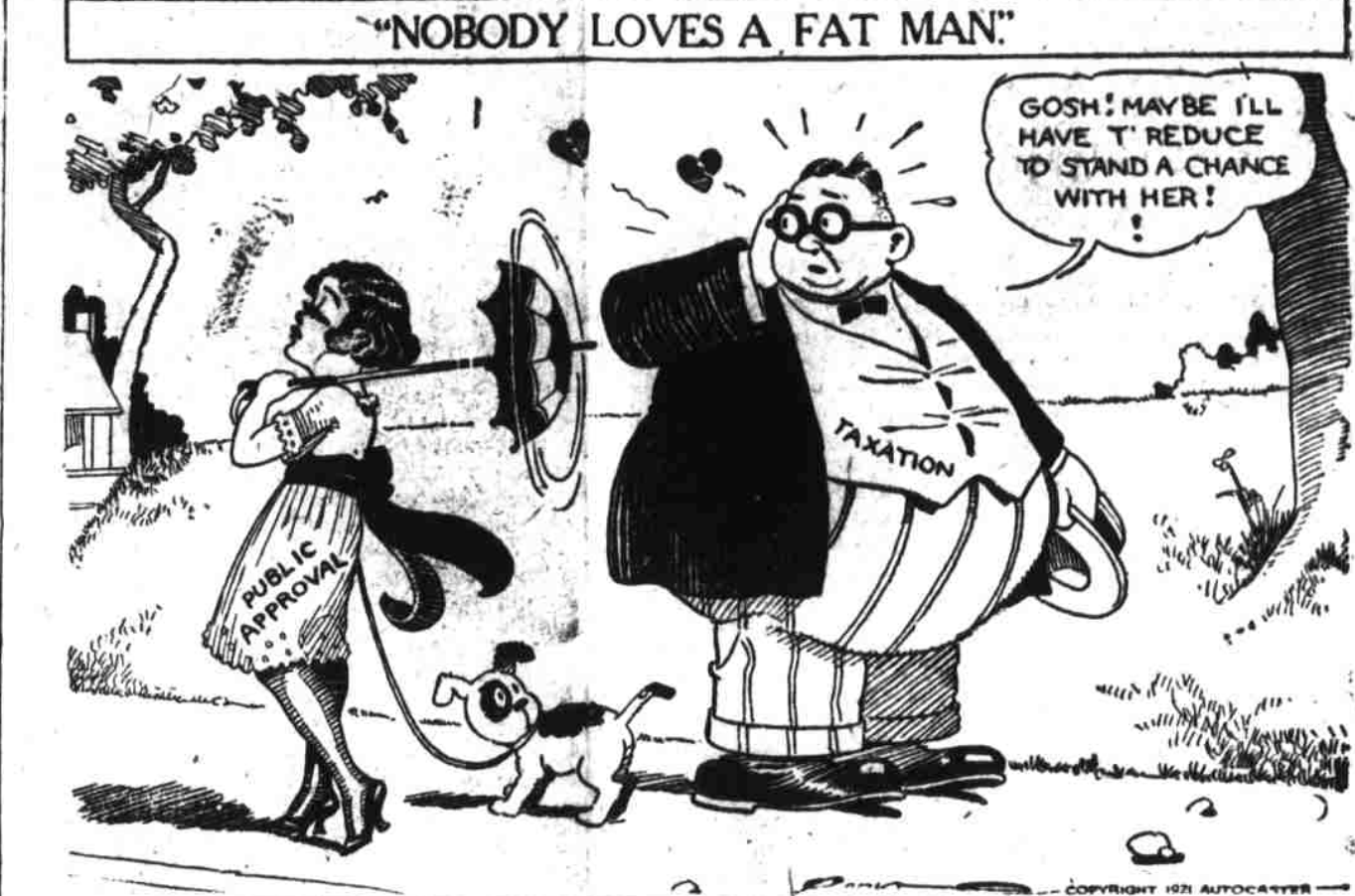
The North Carolina Cotton Growers Co-operative Association will pass its minimum of 200,000 bales under contract for co-operative marketing by the end of this month, three months before the date fixed in the contract, according to the opinion of the officers of the North Carolina and Virginia Cotton and Tobacco marketing organizations who concluded a two day conference in Raleigh yesterday. The tobacco organization is expected to reach its goal by November 15, six weeks earlier than contemplated.—Raleigh News and Observer.

## President's Father Weds Again at Age 76.

Monroe Mich., Aug. 11.—Dr. George T. Harding, 76 years old, father of President Harding, was married here today to Miss Alice Severens, 52, by the Rev. Frank T. Knowles, pastor of the Monroe Presbyterian church. Miss Severens has been a nurse in the office of Dr. Harding at Marion for many years. The couple drove here in an automobile, obtained a license to marry and went to the home of Rev. Knowles, where the ceremony was performed.

Miss Elizabeth McNair of Maxton spent the week-end here visiting Miss Mary McNeill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Epps left Friday afternoon for their home at Tarpon Springs, Fla., after spending some time here visiting at the home of Mr. Epps' parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Epps.



## Negro Lynched by Mob In Jones County

**Assault on Wife of Prominent Farmer—Results in Swift Death to Jerome Whitfield—Hanged and Body Riddled.**

Kinston Special, Aug. 14, Greensboro News: A mob, variously estimated at from 1,500 to 2,000 armed men, captured Jerome Whitfield, negro, accused of criminal assault, at 11 o'clock today in the woods in Jones county six miles from the scene of his crime at sunset yesterday, and after swinging him to an oak tree by the roadside, riddled his body with bullets. The victim of the assault, Mrs. Elizabeth Irving, 19 years old, wife of a prominent Jones county farmer, positively identified Whitfield as the perpetrator of the crime and no further questions were asked.

The capture was effected at the edge of a dense wooded area several miles wide and long. One wing of the searching party, headed by the sheriff of Jones county, it is said, was combing the underbrush a couple of miles away when members of the first mob saw the negro suddenly emerge from a thicket, making, it was thought, a still larger forest, extending for desperate effort to gain entrance into many miles toward New Bern. He was commanded to halt, which he did. Placing Whitfield in an automobile, the crowd rushed him to the home of the Irvings' six miles away, where Mrs. Irving identified him. "Please don't kill him here in the yard" she cried, it is said. "We won't" shouted the mob, and they proceeded with the trembling negro to a point about one mile below the home, where a noose was slipped about his neck and he was drawn up.

Fully 1,000 bullets of various kinds penetrated the negro's body, it is said and the mob dispersed, leaving him swinging to the tree.

## ANNUAL STANLEY BARBECUE.

**100 or More People Here Entertained Friday at Home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stanley on St. Pauls Way.—3 Shoats were Barbecued and Other Edibles Were Served.**

Friday was indeed a pleasant day for the one hundred or more people who gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stanley on R. 1 from St. Pauls, the occasion being an annual gathering and barbecue dinner. Three shoats were barbecued in dandy style. Mr. Stanley who is an expert at the job, supervising the preparation of the barbecue. Besides the barbecue, Brunswick stew, watermelons, lemonade, etc., were served in abundance. Mr. Stanley serves a barbecue dinner each year when he has finished housing his tobacco crop and the occasions are looked forward to with interest by his neighbors and others.

## Jurors for September Court.

The following jury list was drawn Thursday in the presence of Justices H. M. McAllister and S. S. Small to serve at the one-week's term of civil court which will convene Monday, September 5:

C. B. Oliver, Rowland Mercer, Jr., Wesley Ivy, W. F. Baxley, C. B. Andrews, R. L. Purcell, J. L. Taylor, A. K. Morrison, B. F. Wade, C. R. Hester, R. B. Humphrey, W. F. Prevatt, J. C. Lindsay, J. P. Townsend, C. H. Whitlock, J. B. Edmund, F. A. Stephens, R. L. Leggett, J. C. Barnes, E. S. McNeill.

## Must Have Identification Blank.

As has been stated in The Robesonian, the annual reunion of the North Carolina division of United Confederate veterans will be held at Durham August 23 to 25. All veterans, daughters and sons of veterans who wish to get the reduced railroad rate of 2 cents per mile each way must secure an identification blank, which can be secured from Mr. M. G. McKenzie of Lumberton.

## Counties Must Levy For 6 Months Term

**Money Must Be Raised to Run Schools 6 Months No Matter What Change Has Been Made in Tax Values.**

Counties will have to levy a tax rate sufficient to produce as much money as was raised for school purposes by a 30-cent rate on last year's valuation, according to the decision of Judge Geo. W. Connor in mandamus proceedings from Nash county.

In the Nash county case the court held that the responsibility for the 6-months school term was with the county commissioners, and that they must provide as much money for the payment of teachers for the 6-months' term as they paid last year, no matter what reductions in the values have been made. Counties cannot participate in the equalization for the State until they have contributed as much money for their schools as they contributed last year.

The constitutional mandate calls for a 6-months' term of school, regardless of what changes are made in tax values.

The difference of opinion between the commissioners and the board of education of Nash county is typical of the differences of opinion in other counties. This is the first case to be carried to a Superior Court judge and the decision is important to all other counties. Judge Connor's decision is in line with the interpretation of the law by the Attorney General and the Department of Education.

## Citizens Asked To Keep Sidewalks Up

**Town Board Wants Cooperation of Citizens in Keeping Weeds and Grass Cut—Salary of Chief of Police Restored to Former Figure.**

An order requesting the citizens of the town to cut the weeds and grass on the sidewalks running by their premises was passed at a meeting of the mayor and town commissioners this morning. This request is made because of the financial stringency and the shortage in tax collections, making it impossible for the town to hire the work done. The order asks that citizens not only cut the weeds and grass for their own convenience, but for the convenience and health-guarding of the public. Weeds and grass cut and piled upon the edge of the streets will be moved by the town's trash wagons. The salary of Chief of Police D. M. Barker was increased from \$115 to \$125 the month. The salary of Chief Barker was cut from \$125 to \$115 recently. He is now supervising the street work in addition to his duties as chief of the police force, this position having heretofore cost the town \$110 the month.

## Meeting Places for Community Service Motion Pictures.

Director M. N. Folger announces meeting places for community service motion pictures this week as follows: Hopewell (Ind.) Monday, August 15.

Rowland Tuesday, August 16.  
Rex Wednesday, August 17.  
Back Swamp Thursday, August 18.  
Parkton Friday, August 19.  
Pembroke Normal (Ind.) Saturday, August 20.

Programme: Mary and Grethel (one reel fairy story); Snow Stuff (four reels); Egypt as it was in the time of Moses (one reel).

—Mr. and Mrs. John S. McNeill left this morning for Lake Waccamaw as chaperones with a large crowd of girls and boys from Laurinburg. It is understood that the party will camp for a week.

**LOST BETWEEN PEMBROKE AND LUMBERTON. GOODYEAR TIRE, 22x4, ON SCRIPPS-SMOOTH CAR RIM. REWARD FOR RETURN TO ROBESONIAN OFFICE OR INFORMATION LEADING TO RECOVERY.—J. A. SHARPE, LUMBERTON, N. C.**

## Record of Deaths

### A. L. JONES OF FAIRMONT DIED THIS MORNING

**Funeral Will Take Place From Residence Tomorrow at 3 P. M.—He Was One of the Pioneer Citizens of the Town.**

Fairmont, Aug. 15.—Mr. A. L. Jones died at his home here this morning at 7:30 o'clock following illness of nearly 2 weeks with kidney trouble. He had been confined to his bed since the night of the 3rd inst. His condition became worse 3 days ago, since which time little hope was entertained of his recovery.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the residence at 3 o'clock and interment will be made in the Fairmont cemetery.

Deceased is survived by his widow, 4 daughters—Mesdames C. A. Thompson and W. B. Jennings, Misses Amie and Catherine—and 2 sons—Messrs. Ernest and Phil P. Jones—all of Fairmont. He is also survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Jones of Randolph county, and one brother, Mr. J. M. Jones of Lumberton, the last named having been in constant attendance upon him since his illness and being with him when the end came.

Mr. Jones was one of the pioneer citizens of Fairmont, having moved to this town before there was any railroad here. He would have been 61 years old the 26th day of next December. He was a deacon in the Presbyterian church here.

### FELL DEAD AT DINNER TABLE

**Mr. Sidney R. Hendrix Died Suddenly at His Home Near Ten Mile Church Saturday—Had Small Child in His Lap—Funeral Yesterday.**

Mr. Sidney R. Hendrix, a well-known young man, died suddenly at his home, near Ten Mile church, Saturday about noon. Mr. Hendrix fell dead while at the dinner table and held one of his small children on his lap when the final summons came. Heart trouble is supposed to have been the cause of his death. He was in his usual health when he sat down to the table, it is said.

Deceased was around 30 years old and is survived by his widow and three small children. His father also survives. He was a model young man and his untimely death came as a shock to his many friends. The funeral was conducted from Ten Mile Baptist church yesterday at 4 p. m. and interment was made in the church cemetery. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Mr. Traywick, pastor of the Robeson circuit. He was a member of Regan Methodist church. Deceased was a schoolmate of Mr. Traywick.

### Richard Daniel Prevatt.

Richard Daniel, 16-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wright J. Prevatt, died yesterday at 1 p. m. at the home of his parents, Second and Seneca streets, of colitis. The child had been ill since Tuesday of last week. Everything that skilled hands could do was done. Richard Daniel was an unusually bright and lovable child.

The funeral was conducted from the home at 4:30 this afternoon by Rev. A. E. Paul, pastor of East Lumberton Baptist church, Rev. Dr. Chas. H. Durham, pastor of the parents, being out of town. Interment was made in Meadowbrook cemetery.

**Mrs. Mary L. Ballard Died of Injuries Received by Being Struck by Train.**  
Mrs. Mary L. Ballard of Latta, S. C., died Thursday from injuries received Wednesday when struck by an A. C. L. train. Deceased was the mother of Mr. R. M. Ballard of Lumberton. She was 72 years old and stumbled and fell so near the moving train that it struck her. The funeral was conducted Friday at noon and interment made in the family cemetery at Providence church, near Sumter.

**Harvey Carter, Indian.**  
Harvey, 2-year-old son of David Carter, Indian, of Howellsville township, died Thursday.

**Preston Evers Colored.**  
Preston Evers, colored, died Friday at the Baker sanatorium. He was 35 years old and lived near Lumberton.

**COTTON MARKET**  
Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 10 3-4 cents the pound.

## BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—Born, Friday night, to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Roach, a son.

—Today is the last day for paying light and water bills before being "cut off."

—Mr. J. F. Flowers has accepted a position as salesman in Efrid's department store. He began work Saturday.

—Mrs. H. H. Clark underwent an operation at the Baker sanatorium Friday. Her condition is reported as favorable.

—Mr. J. B. Walters of R. 1, Rowland, brought some extra large melons to town today, the heaviest weighing 55 pounds.

—Mr. C. L. Moye of Cordele, Ga., has accepted a position in the piano department of Messrs. Stephen & Barnes' store. He began work last week.

—A B. Y. P. U. social will be given at Center Baptist church, near Fairmont, Thursday night of this week at 8 o'clock by the union of that church.

—He was some worm. A tape worm measuring 19 1-2 feet was removed from the stomach of a 3-months-old dog belonging to Mr. Brack Freeman one day recently.

—Mr. J. A. McLeod, hotel inspector employed by the State Board of Health, arrived Saturday night and will spend two weeks in the county. He will inspect the hotels and cafes in the county.

—Mr. D. W. Biggs, proprietor of the Lumberton Furniture store, who is studying embalming at Raleigh, spent Saturday and yesterday here. Mr. Biggs will spend the week-ends with home folks.

—Mr. Ben Humphrey, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Humphrey of the Sad. dietree section, passed through town this morning en route to Mars Hill, where he will enter Mars Hill college. He was accompanied to town by his father.

—Mr. E. C. Wooten, representative of the...

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Mr. Wooten recently took up this work after being "off" for some three months.

—Mr. C. E. Miller and nephew, Master Dunk Miller, of R. 1, Fairmont, were Lumberton visitors Saturday. Mr. Miller came to see his wife, who is a patient at the Thompson hospital. Mrs. Miller expects to go to a few days to Menton Springs, S. C., for her health.

—Mr. C. K. Morgan of R. 1, Marietta, was among the visitors in town Friday. Mr. Morgan brought his 5-year-old daughter, Lula May, to the Thompson hospital to have her right arm dressed. She broke her arm recently when she fell off a fence at the Morgan home.

—Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church, will take a two-weeks' vacation, beginning today. There will be no preaching services at that church until the first Sunday in September. Dr. Beaman was granted a month's vacation by his stewards, but will only take two weeks'. He expects to leave Thursday for a visit to relatives at Durham, Henderson and Kinston.

—A number of local people "took to the air" yesterday afternoon, making a trip over town on a Curtis aeroplane. The plane is owned by Mr. Kenyon Woody of Wilmington. Mr. Woody arrived here Friday afternoon, coming here from Southport. He came here for the purpose of taking folks to ride. He landed his plane on Mr. Ellie Walters' field, near the National cotton mill, making the flights from that point.

—Mr. L. L. Hayes of R. 1 from Elizabethtown was a Lumberton visitor Thursday. Mr. Hayes brought a two-year-old son to Lumberton, the child suffering with a cancer on the left eye. The cancer has covered the eye of the child and he was apparently in great pain. It will be necessary to remove the eyeball and Mr. Hayes is not financially able to defray the expenses of the operation. Any one wishing to contribute something towards paying for the operation can either send it to Mr. Hayes or leave it at The Robesonian office.

Mr. Oliver Britt and family of East Lumberton spent the week-end at Wrightsville Beach.

**Neal Franklin Bullock.**  
Neal Franklin, 14-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Bullock of East Lumberton, died Saturday night of stomach trouble. The funeral was conducted from the grave yesterday afternoon by Rev. A. E. Paul, pastor of East Lumberton Baptist church, and interment was made in the family cemetery, near Raft Swamp.

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