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Ellis Elmore Page Died This Morning

Remains Will be Interred Tomorrow in Family Cemetery Below Fairmont—He Had Been in Poor Health for Two Years.

Ellis Elmore Page died at his home on East Fifth street this morning at 9:40 o'clock following illness of about two years duration, though the immediate cause of his death was pneumonia, with which he had suffered for 8 days. Death had been expected almost any moment since Monday, when his condition became critical.

The funeral will take place from the residence tomorrow morning (Friday) at 10:30 o'clock and interment will be made in the family burying ground at White Pond church, about 8 miles below Fairmont.

Deceased was 66 years old and was for many years connected with the LaFayette Mutual Life Insurance company as secretary and treasurer, having been one of the prime factors in the success of that company. He was instrumental in moving the home office of that company from Fayetteville to Lumberton several years ago. He resigned some time ago as secretary-treasurer on account of his health. He had been sick with stomach trouble for two years and had consulted specialists in a number of cities.

Mr. Page was married 6 years ago to Mrs. Stephens of Lumberton, widow of Charlie Stephens. She and the following children by his first wife, who died some 8 years ago, survive: S. M. Page of Halifax, A. P. Page of Lumberton, U. S. Page of Dunn, Lucius Page of Duke, Mrs. Eddie McNeill Miss Lizzie Mae, Nesbit, Ellis Jr., Edna and Dotsie, of Lumberton. All the children were with him at the time of his death. Surviving also are the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. F. F. Townsend of R. 6, Lumberton, Mrs. J. E. Spivey of Orrum, Rev. S. D. Page of Falcon, Messrs. N. J., M. E. and B. L. Page, who live near Fairmont.

The funeral will be conducted by Rev. W. D. Combs, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, of which deceased was a member, assisted by Rev. I. P. Hedgpeth.

COTTON GINNED IN ROBESON

18,285 Bales Ginned to Sept. 25 as Compared With 5,930 Bales Ginned to Same Date Last Year.

More than three times as much cotton was ginned to September 25 this year in Robeson county as was ginned to the same date last year. Special agent W. H. Adams reports from Buie that 18,285 bales were ginned to September 25 this year as compared with 5,930 bales ginned to the same date last year.

Yom Kippur Observed by Local Jews. Yom Kippur, or Day of Atonement, was observed by local Jews yesterday, the stores of Messrs. A. Weinstein and H. Dunie being closed. The holiday began Tuesday at sunset and ended last evening at the same hour. Services were held at the Jewish Synagogue and a number of out-of-town Jews spent the day here, attending the services. The services were conducted by Rabbi M. B. Shocket of Lakeview, S. C.

ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL MRS. TYLER OF KU KLUX KLAN

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 11.—Five shots were fired here tonight at Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler, a member of the propagation department of the Ku Klux Klan, according to police. The bullets smashed her bedroom window, but she was unharmed.

SENATOR KNOX DIED SUDDENLY LAST NIGHT IN WASHINGTON

Washington, Oct. 12.—Philander Chase Knox, Senator from Pennsylvania and Secretary of State under President Taft, died suddenly at 6:30 o'clock this evening at his home here.

Another Free Attraction at Fair.

Manager W. O. Thompson has just succeeded in closing a contract with the "Five Strewalts", famous acrobats and gymnasts, for free performances at the county fair next week. These are high-priced actors and come highly recommended. They will give two free performances daily, at 2 and 8 p. m. These are in addition to other free attractions that have been mentioned before as mentioned elsewhere in this paper.

License of Midwife Revoked.

Sarah Brandon, negro, was before Recorder David H. Fuller yesterday on the charge of failure to comply with the State and county laws concerning the practice of midwifery. Recorder Fuller revoked her license. The action was brought by Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer.

Premium for Best Pony.

A premium of \$5 has recently been added to the premium list of the seventh annual Robeson county fair for the best pony placed on exhibition. Special arrangements have been made for taking care of ponies exhibited and the fair management will look after ponies.

All Set For Big For County Fair

Fair Here Next Week is Expected to be "Biggest and Best" in History of the County—More Interest in Exhibits and Entertainment Features Than Ever Before.

FOUR DAYS NEXT WEEK OCTOBER 18, 19, 20-AND 21

Everything's set for the seventh annual Robeson county fair which opens here Tuesday, October 18, and continues through Friday, October 21. Persons connected with the fair since its organization confidently expect the forthcoming show to be easily the biggest and best in the history of the association. They report more interest throughout the county in exhibits and other entertainment features than ever before.

Robesonians have gathered most of their crops and are now planning to drop the fight against the high cost of living for a week, forget their cares and gather here for a few days of relaxation, pleasure and instruction. There will be pleasure a-plenty for all, instruction too, and everybody will go home much benefitted by their few days "off". They are coming from all corners of the county.

Fair officials are looking for big crowds every day and assert they have made ample arrangements to accommodate and entertain them. Opens at Noon 18th.

The fair will be formally opened Tuesday at noon by an address to farmers and others interested by R. B. Hood, an expert entomologist from the United States Department of Agriculture, on the boll weevil and means for combating the pest. Mr. Hood will bring a motion picture machine with him and will show pictures during his stay at the fair depicting the latest and most approved methods for fighting the weevil. His address is expected to be most timely and of great benefit in view of the fact that the weevil has at least arrived in our midst.

Large Exhibition Buildings. All signs indicate that the three large exhibition buildings at the fair grounds will be filled to overflowing with Robeson products and persons who have never previously had anything on exhibition here are planning to bring something this time and show their neighbors what they can do.

Big Feature Every Day. Every day of the fair will bring forth a big feature of some nature and there will be something doing all the time, day and night, from the time the gates are opened Tuesday morning until they are closed Friday night. Numerous improvements have been made in buildings and grounds and the location of the midway and concessions alongside the exhibition buildings is considered ideal. Several high class free attractions have been booked and others are expected to be contracted for before the opening day.

Baby Contest Thursday. The baby contest, always a big feature of the fair, will be held this year on Thursday, as usual. A record number of entries has already been received in this contest and they will continue to come in until the fair gets under way.

Flying Circus Daily. The headliner among the free acts this year will be a flying circus every afternoon and will include fancy airplane flying, wing walking and other daring stunts performed on a speeding plane. The aviators booked for this act will arrive a few days before the fair to get everything in readiness for this big feature.

Low Railroad Rates. Low round-trip rates on all the railroads entering Lumberton have been announced and this is expected to add large quotas to the crowd of visitors and set new attendance records.

Big Shows. Prospective visitors to the fair continue to make inquiries as to whether there will be a carnival on the grounds this year. Fair officials answer with the statement that they have booked one of the largest and best carnival attractions on the road and by far the largest to ever come here. This is Billie Clark's Broadway Shows, a 25 car show. Clark will have thirty big shows, and rides for the midway this year, including a large wild west and circus side show.

Educational Exhibits. A number of educational and instructive exhibits will be noted this year, particularly a boll weevil one which will be in charge of an entomologist from the U. S. government laboratory at Tallulah, La.

Poultry and Live Stock. The Robeson fair has been noted for its fine poultry shows and this year will be no exception as there will be approximately 300 coops of fine chickens on exhibition. The livestock buildings will be filled with pure bred cattle, hogs, etc.

Field, Orchard and Garden Products. Among the numerous exhibits expected to fill the large main building will be field, orchard and garden products such as corn, oats, cotton, hay, potatoes, peas, beans, rye, peanuts, soy beans, kaffir corn, maize, feterita, sorghum, seed collections, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, onions,

Parkton Paragraphs

Miss Agnes Holder Becomes Wife of Mr. Gordon S. Beard—Rev. J. K. Hall Resigns Pastorate on Account of Health—Gasoline and Lantern Cause \$1,000 Fire Loss—Other Items of Interest.

By C. D. Williamson. Parkton, Oct. 10.—Mr. Gordon S. Beard and Miss Agnes Holder were happily married last Tuesday. The marriage took place at Rocky Mount, where the bride held a position as trained nurse. They left immediately for a brief trip north, returning to Parkton Saturday evening. They are at home with the father of the groom, Mr. C. L. Beard, near town, where they are receiving congratulations from their many friends.

The groom is one of our most thorough-going young men, and one of North Carolina's bravest soldiers, one that played his part in breaking the Hindenburg line in France. We extend our most hearty congratulations to this young couple, wishing for them a most prosperous future.

At a congregational meeting at the Presbyterian church here yesterday morning, Rev. J. K. Hall, honored and beloved pastor, resigned. His reason is failing health, not being physically able to do the work. It is with much regret that his congregation has to part with him, and his family during the four years or more, Mr. Hall has done a great work and has numerous friends of all denominations who regret much to give him up.

Mr. J. Q. Parnell is placing material on his building lot on Main street, between Mr. W. G. Britt's and Mr. A. M. Stubb's residences.

The hum of the cotton gins continues day and much of the night and still can't keep up with the rush of the cotton.

Nathan Hill, a prominent and industrious farmer who lives a couple of miles north of town, lost his barn and a quantity of forage and his touring car last Thursday night about 7 o'clock by fire. His son attempted to put some gasoline in the car, using a lighted lantern near by, and the gasoline caught fire and in a short time the result was a loss of no less than \$1,000, with no insurance.

Rev. W. L. Maness is rushing a brand new Ford car, self-actor, also Capt. Angus Jenerigan.

Ladies of the Baptist church are planning to give one of the largest suppers Thursday night for benefit of their new parsonage that they are going to build in the near future.

Rev. C. R. Sorrell of Poplar Bluff, Mo., has accepted a call to the first Baptist church here and at Green Springs. He will probably arrive on or before November 1st.

We hear of some babies of our section who will be on exhibition at the Robeson county fair next week. We have some prize winners up this way if they only take them.

Mr. R. B. Hutson our clever A. C. L. agent, came near meeting with a severe accident Saturday night on his way home from Fayetteville, when some unknown guy, said to reside at Hope Mills, ran his car right into Mr. Hutson's car, breaking both cars to some extent. The only life saver was that neither car was running at a high speed.

If every driver would keep his side of the road and sober, as our agent claims, no accident would occur. We hope to greet our friends at the Robeson county fair.

W. C. Boren of Greensboro Heads Good Roads Association.

The annual convention of the North Carolina Good Roads association closed an enthusiastic 2-days session in Greensboro last evening. W. C. Boren of Greensboro was elected president to succeed W. A. McGirt of Wilmington, who had held the office for 3 years. The 1922 convention will be held in Morehead City. A vice president was elected for each congressional district, Dr. S. Highsmith of Fayetteville being elected for this, the Sixth, district.

Sunday School Supper at Glenwood Oct. 14.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. The Ladies of Moss Neck Sunday School will serve supper at Glenwood school house Friday evening, October 14, for the benefit of the church. Public cordially invited.

cabbage, turnips, collards, squash, cucumbers, fruits, cured meats, etc.; art and fancy work, pantry supplies, dairy products, canned fruits and vegetables, fruit, pickles, jelly, jam, etc.; curios, relics and antiques and numerous articles interesting through their historical association.

"Houn' Dawg" Show and Fox Chase. On Friday, the last day of the fair, the Robeson County Fox Hunters association will stage a "houn' dawg" show. A prize has been offered for the best pair of fox hounds and following the show, the dogs will participate in a fox chase. This is a new feature this year and is expected to appeal to the many dog fanciers in the county.

Music will be furnished throughout the week by two brass bands.

Mr. D. G. Lawson of R. 4, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town yesterday.

"BILLY" BRANSFORD PASSES.

Well-Known Tobacco Warehouseman Dies at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore—Remains Interred at Mullins, S. C.—"Father" of Lumberton Market and Had Many Friends Among Growers.

Mr. E. O. Bransford, familiarly known as "Billy," well-known tobacco warehouseman, died on October 7 at the Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, according to a telegram received by the New York cafe from the director of the hospital yesterday. Deceased left Lumberton two weeks ago for the hospital, his health having been bad for several months. It has not been learned definitely what was done with the remains, though it is said they were sent to Mullins, S. C., where they were interred.

"Uncle" Billy, as he was generally called, was well-known throughout this section. He was the "father" of the present tobacco market in Lumberton, having operated the Star warehouse here for several years, before the other houses were built. He also founded the market at Mullins, S. C., having conducted a sales warehouse there for a number of years before coming to Lumberton. He had many friends among tobacco-growers throughout the South Carolina belt, as well as among others. He was known as one who "looked after his interests" and his death in behalf of the tobacco-growers often lost money for himself.

He was probably about 55 years old, though his exact age has not been learned. He is survived by his wife and several children. He had not lived with his family for several years. It is understood that his friends at Mullins and here made up a purse for defraying his expenses to the hospital and that money was raised at Mullins for having the remains sent there for burial. He had boarded at the New York cafe here for more than a year, the proprietors boarding him without charge, it is said.

Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Britt.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Britt died Tuesday morning at the Britt home, Pine and Eighth streets. The child was only five days old. The funeral was conducted from the home Tuesday at 4 p. m. by Rev. Dr. Chas. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, and interment was made in Meadowbrook cemetery. Infant Daughter of Curtis Jones, Indian.

Orvadie, 9-months-old daughter of Curtis Jones, Indian, died early yesterday morning at the home of her parents on route 1 from Lumberton. Death resulted from colitis.

Mrs. Ora Jane Lynch of Orrum, Correspondence of The Robesonian. Orrum, R. 1, Oct. 11.—Mrs. Ora Jane Lynch died Monday of complications. She was 24 years old and a member of Mt. Elim Baptist church. She was always loving and kind and though she is dead she liveth. The funeral was conducted at the Stephens cemetery Monday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Dodd, pastor of the deceased.

The grave was completely covered with flowers. Beautiful music was rendered, Miss Henrietta Britt of Boardman, leading. While the casket was being lowered a beautiful song was rendered by Mrs. Charley Lamb, Mrs. Henrietta Britt and Miss Anna Ammons. The pallbearers were Leonard Britt, Swain Britt, Arren Ivey, Volen Stone, John Sellers, Orion Martin.

Deceased was a sister of Mr. E. Evander Stone of Lumberton.

FARM-AID LOANS TO N. C. BANKS

Raleigh Cor., Oct. 11, Wilmington Star: Loans aggregating three-quarters of a million dollars to North Carolina banks were approved by the War Finance corporation agency meeting here this afternoon. These are the first loans to be approved by the agency and were made to banks in various sections of the state covering loans that have been made to farmers.

Col. James R. Young, chairman of the agency, said the names of the banks obtaining the loans could not be made public.

Other approvals of loans are expected to follow in quick succession as the banks are taking advantage of the government offer to aid them in financing the farmer.

Airman Will Drop Handbills.

The aeroplane which will give daily hair-raising stunts over the fair grounds during the fair next week will "cover" Robeson and adjoining counties with handbills advertising the fair. The birdmen are expected to arrive here Saturday afternoon and will start on the advertising trip Monday morning. The handbill will be dropped from the aeroplane.

Box Supper at Bethesda.

There will be a box supper at Bethesda school house tomorrow (Friday) night. Ice cream and other refreshments will be served. The public is invited.

Forty-four white, 13 Indian and 47 colored people took the teachers examination here Tuesday and yesterday. The examination was conducted by Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction.

Change To New System Saturday

New Telephones May be Used Sunday Morning for First Time—No Interruption of Service in Cutting Out Old and Cutting in New—No More Cranking With Its Attendant Ills After This Week, Bless Pat.

It is the plan of the Southern Bell Telephone Co. to cut over from the present system to the common battery system late Saturday night of this week. The change will interfere but slightly with the service, as everything will be put in readiness for the change before it is made.

New 'phones have been installed in all residences and business houses of subscribers, and after the cut-over the new 'phones will be used instead of the old ones. The old 'phones will be removed soon after the change, according to Mr. C. C. Rogers, manager of the local exchange. In other words, Saturday you use the old 'phone and Sunday the new.

It is well to remember that under the new system it will not be necessary to "crank" before getting central. All one has to do is lift the receiver. Mr. Rogers pointed out to a Robesonian reporter the importance of removing the receiver before the receiver is replaced the connection will be cut off. Keep the receiver off until the conversation is ended.

If the person desired fails to answer within a reasonable time, or if you wish to attract the operators' attention during the conversation, move the hook up and down slowly three or four times.

Rules for using the new system will be found on the last page of the telephone directory. Read them.

Make County Fair Good Object Lesson

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Farmers should realize more than ever before the importance of exhibiting cattle, hogs, poultry, peanuts, potatoes, soy beans, velvet beans, cow peas, etc., at the county fair, as these are the things that in a system of diversified farming seem to promise the greatest amount of relief.

It is no longer a question "Can we afford to take our cotton land for these things?" but a fact that we must do it.

If those who have practiced diversified farming of their own accord will bring these things to the fair, they may be able to help those who must do these things.

The Department of Agriculture tells us that some farms in the county will likely suffer seventy-five per cent damage next year while others will unquestionably suffer less. But who can tell where the maximum or minimum damage will fall so it will pay the man who is behind to quicken his pace. There is no better place for adding life to the pace than to visit the county fair and see and study the things that others have done. Those who have should help those who haven't, by exhibiting at the fair.

The fair is intended to be an object lesson so let's make it a good one. O. O. DUKES, Farm Demonstrator.

A large army aeroplane from Camp Bragg will fly over Lumberton every day during the fair next week, according to word received from the War Department. This is in addition to the "plane which will do "stunts" over the fair grounds each afternoon during the fair. Indications point to plenty of air attractions during the fair.

Mr. N. A. Mercer and family have moved to Lumberton from Howellsville township and are living on East Seventh street. They moved to Lumberton in order to put three of the children, James, N. A. Jr. and Edwin, in school.

A minstrel show—big minstrel show—will be given Saturday at 4 p. m. at the intersection of Chestnut and Seventh streets, Mr. H. M. McAllister's, by boys of the Sixth grade of the graded school. Miss Lula Norman is leader. Admission, 5 cents for children, 10 cents for adults, 15 cents for reserved seat. Proceeds will be used for the Sixth grade society. Miss that show and you'll miss half your life. Don't miss it.

License has been issued for the marriage of Rosa Graham and Thos. N. Surles, both of the Proctorville section.

An alligator measuring ten feet and 4 inches, from tip to tip was captured near the home of Mr. Council Pittman of the Bellamy section recently. The 'gator was found on dry land and is now at the home of Mr. Pittman. It is one of the largest 'gators ever seen hereabouts.

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. DuBois returned yesterday morning from Chattanooga, Tenn., where they spent several weeks. They will live on East Fourth street until Mr. DuBois can erect a house on his farm, near the National cotton mill.

Mr. A. T. McCallum of Red Springs was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 18 3-4 cents the pound; strict middling 19 1-4 cents.

BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. H. N. Barbour is erecting a 5-room residence on East Seventh street.

—Mr. W. C. McNeill has accepted a position as salesman in the Pope drug store.

—The death rate has been low in and around Lumberton of late, according to local undertakers.

—Dr. N. A. Thompson and Messrs. Geo. L. Thompson and G. E. Rancke, Jr., left yesterday for the coast, where they will spend a few days hunting and fishing.

—About twenty people called to see me about article I advertised in The Robesonian, said a man who recently ran an ad in The Robesonian's penny column. Sure, it pays to advertise in The Robesonian.

—Messrs. H. M. and J. D. McAllister and Vance McGill went yesterday to Bolivia, Brunswick county, on a hunting trip. Mr. H. M. McAllister will try out his new deer hounds on the trip. They will probably return home tomorrow night.

—State Senator L. R. Varner left Tuesday evening for a conference before a State good roads meeting.

Mr. Varner intended to return by way of Raleigh, where he will argue some appeal cases before the Supreme court.

—Messrs. J. L. Stephens, A. V. G. Wishart, Jack Cox and Ira Bullard attended in Charlotte Monday Barnum & Bailey's circus. Mr. Stephens went from Charlotte to High Point on business, while Mr. Wishart went to the Western part of the State also on business.

—From Baker Sanatorium: Mrs. A. B. Floyd of Fairmont has returned home after undergoing a serious operation.—Mrs. B. S. Oliver of Fairmont has returned home after undergoing a serious operation.—Mrs. W. E. Hooks, who was operated on Monday, is getting along nicely.

—Messrs. H. A., R. E., J. L. and Emory M'White of the Ten Mile section went Tuesday to Cherry Grove beach to hunt and fish for a few days. They expected to be joined yesterday by Messrs. J. I. Townsend, J. H. Powers, H. H. Stanley and Robert Martin of the same section.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Robeson County Medical society was held here yesterday afternoon. An interesting paper was read by Dr. T. M. Watson of Maxton and some clinical cases were reported by Dr. J. O. McLelland of Maxton and Dr. John Knox of Lumberton. The meeting was fairly well attended.

—Postmaster D. D. French asks The Robesonian to urge patrons of the local postoffice to mail letters and packages all during the day, not wait until just before train time. So many people take mail to the office just before time for closing that it makes it difficult to dispatch same, according to Postmaster French.

—Messrs. S. McIntyre, H. E. Stacy, R. C. Lawrence, T. L. Johnson, J. Dickson McLean of the local bar, went Tuesday evening to Raleigh to appear before the Supreme court. The appeal in re the will of the late Miss Letitia Edens, that of the injunction brought against the town of Lumberton, restraining the town from collecting a \$5 auto drivers' tax, and several others will be argued.

—The Lumberton, Dresden and National cotton mills had to close down for the week Tuesday evening. These mills get their power from the Yadkin River Power Co. and have been on a 4-days-a-week schedule for several weeks on account of inability of the power company to furnish current, and Tuesday they were notified that power could be furnished only two days this week.

—The following Robeson county men have been appointed marshals for the State fair at Raleigh next week, their names appearing in the list of some 300 marshals published in the Raleigh News and Observer yesterday: Dickson McLean, Woodberry Lennon, Dr. A. M. Waddell, F. Eli Wishart, L. McK. Parker, Earl Thompson, David H. Fuller, all of Lumberton; Douglas McMillan, Red Springs; Arthur McKinnon, Maxton; D. Prather McKinnon, Rowland; J. D. McCormick, Parkton.

ORDER CORRECTED

Order for Change of Program at Local Schools Was Without Time Limit.

The order passed by the local school board for a two-session day at the graded and high schools, with an hour at noon for lunch, carried with it no suggestion of trial for 30 days but was made unconditionally. Supt. Cale announced at the school that the order was to try this plan for 30 days and it was so stated in Monday's Robesonian, but this was incorrect. In the discussion that preceded the motion that the change be made something was said about giving the plan a trial, which no doubt was responsible for misunderstanding of the order. The motion that was passed made no reference to any temporary arrangement.