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Immense Throng At Patterson Funeral

Funeral of G. B. Patterson Yesterday Brought Out Largest Outpouring of People That Ever Attended a Funeral in Robeson—End Came Suddenly Saturday Afternoon—Deceased Was Former Congressman and Leading Citizen.

The funeral of Hon. G. B. Patterson, whose sudden death occurred at his home in Maxton Saturday afternoon, was attended yesterday afternoon by perhaps the largest crowd that ever gathered at a funeral in Robeson county. During the service at the Presbyterian church in Maxton yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock every inch of standing room in the church was occupied and the overflow all but filled the large church lawn. It is estimated that 1,500 people attended the services in Maxton and that an even larger number gathered for the interment at Laurinburg, where the wife of the deceased was buried.

Rev. Dr. H. G. Hill, Robeson's "Grand Old Man", pastor of the Maxton Presbyterian church, conducted the funeral, assisted by Rev. E. L. Siler, assistant pastor of the church; Rev. John Allan McLean, formerly of Maxton, now of Morganton; and Rev. Carl Craig, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Laurinburg. In a voice that carried to the part of the congregation standing in the vestibule, Dr. Hill, 91 years old, preached a beautiful sermon about the heavenly home. The music was exquisite, the choir singing "It Is Well With My Soul", "Jesus Lover of My Soul" and "Home-land." The floral offerings were surpassingly beautiful and lavish.

The pallbearers were: active—Messrs. G. B. Sellars, J. O. McLeland, H. C. McNair, W. O. Bennett, J. E. Carpenter, R. L. McLeod, W. H. Weatherspoon, McKay McKinnon; honorary—elders of the church: Messrs. S. B. McLean, W. J. Currie, J. B. McCallum, L. L. McGirt, J. P. Wiggins, Lacy McLean, J. S. McRae, R. D. Croom.

The remains were interred with Masonic honors. Members of Maxton Masonic Lodge No. 417, of which deceased was a past master, attended in a body, also Laurinburg commandery and the bar of Robeson and Scotland counties. No doubt every township in Robeson county was represented at the funeral. One hundred and twenty-five or more people attended from Lumberton alone. There were many at the funeral from many distant points.

News of Mr. Patterson's death reached Lumberton Saturday afternoon. He died of heart failure that afternoon at 1:40 at his home on Patterson street. The following is taken from a dispatch of the 21st from Maxton:

"Mr. Patterson was indisposed this morning and unable to be at his office, but was not considered very ill, having just had a conference with a client, with whom he walked to the door. When stricken he was reclining on a couch talking with his brother, D. A. Patterson, and with Misses Annie Elizabeth and Maggie Patterson, with whom he and his daughter, Mary, lived.

"He was born in Richmond county, in that part now known as Scotland, in 1828 and was in his 59th year. He was one of the brawny Scotch of this section, being the son of Gilbert Brown and Margaret Patterson, some of the early settlers. In 1808 he married Mrs. Mattie MacNair Evans, daughter of Jno. F. MacNider, of Laurinburg. She died about ten years ago.

"Besides the members of his household his cousins, Misses Annie E. and Maggie Patterson, and his 13-year-old daughter, Mary MacNair Patterson, he is survived by one brother, D. A. Patterson, and one sister, Mrs. M. E. Baldwin, both of this place, and his step-son, Hervey Evans, of Laurinburg.

"Mr. Patterson's influence in this community was exceptional and widespread. By his genial, kindly disposition, he won many friends and held them.

"Mr. Patterson was a graduate of the university of North Carolina and taught several years. Intensely interested in the education of the youth of his community, he has always been a leader in school affairs. He was charter member of the school board and served continuously for 22 years, being instrumental in the organization of the school district.

"In the church he has been very active. He has been an elder in the Maxton Presbyterian church for 15 years and was a member of the executive committee of the Sunday school, in which he has always been a leading factor, serving formerly as superintendent.

"Mr. Patterson represented Robeson county in the legislature of 1899 and 1901, and was representative from the sixth district in the Congress of the United States for two terms, from 1908 to 1907.

"As an ardent advocate and wise counselor, he was the equal of any lawyer in the state."

Mr. J. L. Memory, Jr., principal of the Philadelphus school, was a Lumberton visitor this morning.

Ed Willoughby Seriously Wounded

Evander Parker is in Jail Charged With Firing Shot That May Prove Fatal—Shooting Took Place Near Fairmont Late Yesterday—Parker Denies Doing the Shooting—Willoughby in Hospital Here.

Ed Willoughby of the Fairmont section is in the Thompson hospital here with but a slight chance of recovery from the effects of being shot late yesterday afternoon. Evander Parker, of the same section, is in jail charged with the shooting. Willoughby's liver was punctured by a bullet which entered his right side. His intestines were punctured in one place and injured in several other places, according to Dr. N. A. Thompson.

The shooting took place about 6 o'clock in the home of a colored man named Mitchell on the farm of Mr. Tommie Lee, three miles west of Fairmont. Both Willoughby and Parker were drunk, it is said, Parker firing the shot after the two had cursed each other. Parker was later arrested by Rural Policeman D. C. Ratley of Fairmont and brought here at midnight and placed in jail. Though it is said that there were several eye witnesses to the shooting, Parker denies firing the shot. When seen at the jail today by a Robesonian reporter, he said they had the wrong man and that he did not shoot Willoughby. While only one shot was fired in the house, others there say Parker fired his pistol, a 38-calibre "Owls Head", several times after going outside.

Both Willoughby and Parker are young men. Willoughby is married and has several children, while Parker is unmarried. He served in the army during the World War. Willoughby married Parker's cousin.

Plead Guilty To Theft Of Bull

Marion Quick Bound to Court on Admission of Stealing Bull from Negro and Selling Him to Mr. Carl Bullard—Two Negroes in Toils for Forging Check on Dr. Waddell.

Marion Quick, young white man, was arrested yesterday, near Hope Mills, on the charge of stealing a bull from a colored man and selling the bull to Mr. Carl Bullard of Lumberton. Quick plead guilty of the charge before Recorder David H. Fuller this morning and was bound over to the Superior court under a \$300 bond, in default of which he was remanded to jail. Quick drove the bull into town Tuesday morning of last week and sold him to Mr. Bullard for \$20. Soon after the sale the owner came to Lumberton and Mr. Bullard returned the bull to the owner.

Jim McEachern, colored, was bound over to the Superior court this morning on the charge of forging a check on Dr. M. A. Waddell for \$25. Daniel Mitchell, also colored, was bound over on the charge of aiding and abetting in the forgery. Each was placed under a \$300 bond, in default of which they were remanded to jail. Foster Ford, colored, charged with aiding and abetting in the same forgery, was found not guilty.

The State took a nol pros in the case of Henry Edwards, charged with giving a bogus check.

MR. FRANK EDENS WILL

He Left \$5,000 to Methodist Church at Rowland, \$3,000 Each to Two Nieces and Balance of Estate of \$35,000 to Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh.

Mr. Frank Edens, prominent bachelor citizen of Rowland whose death here at the Baker sanatorium last Monday night of pneumonia was mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, left \$5,000 to the Methodist church of Rowland, for rebuilding or remodeling, \$3,000 each to Mrs. Lena B. Ward and Miss Cora Edens, nieces, both of Rowland, and the balance of his estate, valued at about \$35,000, to the Methodist orphanage at Raleigh. By this bequest the orphanage gets about \$24,000.

Sought Stolen Goods and Found Whiskey Still.

Instead of finding the stolen goods, they found a whiskey still. Robbers entered the store of McDonald Brothers at Raemon Wednesday night of last week. Thursday a bloodhound was secured from Raeford. The dog trailed to the home of a negro. While none of the stolen goods was found in the home, a whiskey still was found there. The negro was arrested and carried to Rowland for trial before Recorder J. A. McKay. It has not been learned what sentence was imposed.

No Big Acreage in Cotton for Mr. Musselwhite.

Mr. R. C. M'White of R. 7, Lumberton, was in town Saturday. Mr. M'White says he is going to plant only ten acres of cotton and 4 acres of tobacco on a 4-horse farm this year. He will plant the balance of the farm on foodstuffs. Rather than plant a big acreage in cotton, he would let his land "lie out", he says.

Body Of Pope Benedict Lies In State

He Died Sunday Morning—Gorgeous Procession Solemnly Transported Body Down Royal Staircase to Throne Room—Gasparri Mentioned as Possible Successor.

Rome, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Arrayed in full canonicals, with golden mitre, gloves and ring, the body of Benedict XV., lies in state in the throne room on the floor immediately below the apartment in which he died.

For many hours today to the room where the pontiff had made his fight for life came a continuous stream of officials, the representatives of foreign nations, high prelates and others. Then, late in the afternoon, in gorgeous procession, composed of Palestine guards, gendarmes, the Swiss guard, secret chamberlains and honorary chamberlains, the body was solemnly transported down the royal staircase, through Clementine hall into the throne room, where it was placed on a raised catafalque, before which the whole diplomatic corps paid devout reverence.

The sacristan zampini gave absolution, and the cardinals sprinkled holy water, while the penitentiaries unceasingly chanted prayers, answered by the kneeling onlookers. Immediately afterward the doors were opened to the multitudes desirous of looking for the last time on the departed pontiff.

The sacred congregation convened this morning when the cardinals were informed of the pope's death. With the exception of Cardinal Gasparri, the papal secretary of state, they gathered in Benedict's private apartments. Gasparri, in due and solemn form, escorted by the Swiss guard in full dress and accompanied by the prelates and acolytes of the reverend apostolic chamber, entered the apartments a few minutes later. He will administer the holy see during the interregnum. With him also was Monsignor Sincero, secretary of the sacred college.

Cardinal Gasparri, surrounded by the cardinals then proceeded to verify the death of Benedict, extending over the lifeless form a silver wand and crying out: "Giacomo, Giacomo, Giacomo." He opened the certificate of death and declared: "Dominus Papa Noster Mortuus Est, thus announcing officially the pope's death.

Rome, Jan. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Pope Benedict breathed his last at 6 o'clock this morning. The news was hurriedly communicated from the papal bed chamber to the principal ante-chamber, and was announced by Monsignor Pizzardo, deputy papal secretary of state, just as the ponderous bells of St. Peter's overlooking the vatican courtyard, began tolling the hour of 6. Then one by one the bells in Rome's 400 churches joined in the horologic symphony that marked the passing of the head of the Roman Catholic church.

Speculation is already rife concerning the successor. Cardinal Gasparri is among those most prominently mentioned, although, the election of a papal secretary of state is almost without precedent.

McLean Object Of G. O. P. Raiders

Republicans Open Campaign to Oust Lumberton Man From War Finance Corporation.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Not satisfied with taking everything that belongs to them "beyond a reasonable doubt," the Republicans are now preparing to raid the non-partisan commissions, boards and corporations of the government to find places for office seekers. Today they opened a campaign to oust Angus Wilton McLean from the War Finance corporation. The only excuse offered is that he "associates with Jos. P. Tumulty," and other well known democratic leaders.

Representative Carl Riddick, of Montana, publicity director for the Republican congressional committee, is behind this movement. He and Senator Davis Elkins, of West Virginia, have been stirring up trouble, for the few Democrats remaining in office here. They think it will help to save "the G. O. P." from backsliding in public favor.—H. E. C. Bryant in Charlotte Observer.

—Miss Ada Edwards, teacher of one division of the seventh grade of the Lumberton graded school, left Thursday evening for Asheville on account of the illness of her father. A card received from Miss Edwards by another member of the school faculty yesterday stated that her father had undergone an operation and that his condition was very favorable. Miss Edwards' home is at Mars Hill, but her father is in a hospital in Asheville. Miss Mary Wetmore is teaching for Miss Edwards while she is away.

Prof. J. W. R. Norton, principal of the Lumberton high school, spent the week-end with home folks, near Laurel Hill.

Mayor Favors Town Manager

In Telling School About His Job Mayor White Says Town Ought to Employ Manager—Also Favors Erecting New \$100,000 School Building—Rev. Luke Rader Also Makes a Talk.

"Why Lumberton Has a Mayor", was the subject of Mayor A. E. White's talk before pupils of the graded and high schools at the regular chapel exercises Friday morning. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Luke Rader, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle. Mr. Rader also delivered a short address on the subject of "Efficiency."

In his address Mayor White told of the duties of the officials of the town as provided by the town charter and declared that many other duties than these must be met. He appealed to the children to co-operate with the town officials in maintaining law and order and warned them against violating even the most insignificant law. The violation of laws such as riding bicycles on the sidewalks, driving automobiles without numbers and exceeding the speed limit, may lead to disrespect of the law and more serious violations, he declared.

Favors Town Manager

The elective officers of the town include a mayor and four commissioners, the mayor elected every year and the commissioners every two years. The mayor receives a salary of \$300 the year and the commissioners \$150 each per month, these officers costing the town a total of \$372 a year in salaries. The town collects \$46,000 a year taxes and the mayor and board disburse about one-half this amount in one day out of each month. Mayor White favors the town having a manager to devote all his time to the interest of the municipality. The affairs of the town cannot be handled as they should be in the small amount of time given under the present form of government, he said.

Will Help Erect Another School Building.

In closing the speaker declared he stood ready to head a fight for funds to erect a high school building on a lot opposite the present building to cost not less than \$100,000. He favors erecting a building that will meet the demands and be a credit to the community. The best investments that can be made are those made in the interest of humanity, the speaker continued. Money thus invested will pay dividends throughout eternity.

What It Takes To Win.

Mr. Rader's address was chock full of good advice. The desire to succeed is the very first law for success in business or in the Christian life, he declared. In order to attain success one must be willing to make sacrifices. He urged the importance of connecting one's self with God in order to attain the height of success in this life.

A bill dog determination is necessary in order to win and one must first realize that he is a failure before he can succeed. One must be willing to take advice from others. He read a part of the 27th Psalm as a Scripture lesson.

According to the plans of Supt. W. H. Cale the National Bank of Lumberton will be represented with a short address next Friday morning and Mr. H. B. Jennings will represent the cotton mills of which he is head the following Friday. It is the plan to have all the business interests of the town represented at the chapel exercises, one each Friday morning.

Cooperative Marketing Meetings

Campaign for Members Will be Kept Up Until the 31st—Where Meetings Will be Held This Week.

St. Pauls, Jan. 23.—The campaign for members for the cooperative marketing of both tobacco and cotton will be kept up until the 31st of this month, and during that time farmers may sign either tobacco or cotton contracts at the same price of \$3 for tobacco and \$3 for cotton or both for \$5. After the 31st of this month the price will probably be raised to \$10 the contract.

For giving information and receiving new members, meetings will be held as follows:

Raft Swamp, Monday night, 23rd, 6:30.

Parkton, Tuesday night, 24th, 6:30.

Farmville, Wednesday night, 25th, 6:30.

Smiths (Howellville Township) Thursday night, 26th, 6:30.

Center (On Fairmont road) Friday night, 27th, 6:30.

There will be speakers at all these places and announcement of other places for meetings probably will be made later. Those desiring meetings held in their community should communicate with me at once.

L. A. McGEACHY, Sec'y., County Organization.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Soggy Winslow Floyd and Caroline Nye; Edwin L. McDonald and Ethel Harris.

St. Pauls News Letter

Rev. McLean McGeachy Accepts Call to Whiteville—Death of Miss Effie McNeill—Mr. Lee Parker Becomes Postmaster—Much Moving—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. St. Pauls, Jan. 20.—Mr. T. K. Cobb suffered an attack of appendicitis on Friday night, the 30th, was taken to Highsmith hospital the following p. m., where he was immediately operated on. Has been doing very nicely.

Mrs. Annie Harris has been visiting her sister Mrs. Parnell. The Parnell's recently moved into the home on Main street vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Powers. Mr. Neill McNeill and family moved back to Red Springs on Monday, January 2nd, after residing in St. Pauls the past year.

Miss Beth Terry recently visited relatives and friends near Ellerby. Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Anderson of Sanford spent Saturday night, and Sunday in town.

Friends of Rev. McLean McGeachy will be interested to know he has accepted a call as pastor of Whiteville Presbyterian church. He and his family were expected to come by here perhaps the latter part of the week, for a brief visit.

Miss Della P. McGoogan is visiting relatives in Georgia.

Rev. Mr. Starling, the Methodist pastor, hasn't been at all well the past few weeks. Is still under a doctor's care. His many friends wish for him a speedy recovery. Mr. Hampton Tyson is also under the weather.

Mr. J. A. McGeachy and family have recently recovered from an attack of gripe.

Mr. G. A. Inman's family moved to Lumberton sometime ago.

Lots of moving and changing around since the first of the year. Several new comers in town, while some few are leaving us.

Mr. Cox, depot agent, has moved into the house on Armfield street, vacated by Mr. W. B. Petteway and family some time ago.

Mrs. L. I. Grantham is in a hospital in Richmond for treatment. Her little daughter Sarah is over in Lumberton with Mrs. Frank McMillan while Mrs. Grantham is away.

On Wednesday morning, the 11th, Miss Effie McNeill departed this life at the home of a nephew, Mr. Paxton McNeill, a few miles out of town. The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church, here at 11 o'clock the following morning, conducted by Dr. E. C. Murry, pastor of the church of which deceased was a member. She was laid to rest by the side of loved ones who shortly preceded her to the grave.

Mrs. J. McI. Wicker has been spending a while in our little town with her daughter, Mrs. N. A. McEachern, on Main street. She returns to her home town, Sanford, next week.

Mr. Lee Parker has been appointed postmaster, to succeed Mr. P. J. Caudell, who has been with us the past several years.

An oyster supper will be given in town tonight.

Mrs. Maggie Oliver is here again after a visit to some of the Oliver relatives.

Mr. Archie Odum is very feeble, now. Mrs. John Rowland Dean recently came over for a few days visit, he being her grandfather.

Misses Blanche and Ethel Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Grady McCormick spent Wednesday in Fayetteville shopping.

First Concrete Put Down Friday

Work of Hard-Surfacing Begun—Six Months to Complete Job—Detour Via Back Swamp.

The first concrete was laid on the road between Lumberton and McNeill's bridge Friday at 10 a. m. As has been stated in The Robesonian, contracts has been let for hard-surfacing this stretch of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville (Wildcat) highway, a little more than three miles in length. It will probably take six months to complete the job.

Folks coming to Lumberton over the Maxton, Red Springs and Rowland roads will find it necessary to detour by way of Back Swamp church, coming into town over the Fairmont road. Signs have been placed indicating the way of detour.

—Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, is ready to make blood tests for syphilis. Those desiring to have their blood tested should call at Dr. Hardin's office on Saturday at 9 a. m.

—Born, January 16, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster Flowers, a son—Joseph Robbins.

—Mr. J. W. Efrid, New York buyer for the Efrid chain of 31 stores, and Mrs. Efrid spent Friday night in Lumberton. When asked by a Robesonian reporter about business conditions throughout the territory covered by the Efrid chain, Mr. Efrid said it was just about up to what it was a year ago. Mr. and Mrs. Efrid spend most of their time in New York.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 16 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

—There will be a box supper and fiddler's convention in connection with the community service pictures at Centenary school house Thursday night of this week.

—Frances, 26-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Grover Britt, had the bone of her left arm fractured at the elbow Saturday when she fell on the door steps.

—A new Henney hearse recently purchased by Messrs. Stephens & Barnes, local undertakers, arrived Saturday. The hearse is up-to-date in every respect, with all modern equipment.

—Rev. J. M. Fleming, principal of the Meadows public school, district No. 1, Lumberton township, reports 100 per cent. attendance during the month closing January 20. A record that can't be beat.

—Mr. Fred H. Townsend returned this morning from Richmond, Va., where he spent the week-end with Mrs. Townsend, who is undergoing treatment in a hospital there. Her condition is favorable.

—Mr. R. W. Wallace of R. 2, Fairmont, who was a Lumberton visitor Friday, complains that hogs are tearing up tobacco beds in his section. Folks who allow their hogs to run at large at this season do their neighbors an injustice.

—Mr. John W. Ward of Rowland, chairman of the board of county commissioners, left Thursday afternoon for Ellsville, Miss., to visit his brother, Mr. E. J. Ward, who is ill. Mr. Ward will visit relatives in New Orleans, La., and Huntersville, Ala., while away.

—Grace, 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Robbins, had an ugly gash cut in her chin Friday when she was struck by a swing on the school grounds. She was carried to the Thompson hospital, where the wound was dressed. Two stitches were required.

—"Please warn people about walking on the lawns", said a Lumberton lady to a Robesonian reporter. She explained that school children and grown ups, as well, take delight in walking through the yard at her home. It is a few steps nearer to walk through the yard and across the grass than to go the sidewalk around. If you love your neighbor as you love yourself, then you'll not be guilty of this offense.

—Dr. J. A. Martin returned Saturday from Richmond, Va., where he spent two weeks visiting at the home of Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Jones, Mrs. Martin and their two children, J. A. Jr., and Raymond Jones, who accompanied Dr. Martin to Richmond, will spend several weeks there before returning home. Mrs. Martin has been confined in a hospital for two weeks but her condition is improving.

—Mr. W. S. Alexander of McDonald held the lucky number Saturday afternoon when the final drawing for second prize in the Holmes contest was conducted at Mr. A. J. Holmes' jewelry store. First and third prizes had already been claimed. The prize won by Mr. Alexander was a \$20 gold piece. A large number were present and there was much interest in the drawing. Three draws were made before the prize was claimed. The numbers were taken from the bag by Mr. Harvey Green.

WOODROW WILSON FOUNDATION.

Those Who May Desire to Contribute May Do So This Week.

To the Public: On account of the lateness in getting the campaign started in this county in behalf of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, it has been decided to run the campaign for another week in order to give all those who may desire to do so an opportunity to make a contribution.

I would like it understood that this is a matter of purely voluntary gifts. While I am very anxious to raise the quota expected from this county, still no pressure will be brought to bear upon our people. I have never known them to fail yet to do their part in any worthy public enterprise, and I do not believe they will fail in this. Reports reaching me from other parts of the State are to the effect that numbers of other counties have already raised their quota, while in Robeson we have hardly made a start.

Hon. A. W. McLean, wired a contribution of \$300 with a handsome tribute to ex-President Wilson accompanying it. May I not ask that every friend and admirer of this foremost American send in their subscription without delay? The campaign will close this week and the final returns will then be made up.

R. C. LAWRENCE, County Chairman.

Lumberton, N. C.