

Woodberry Lennon Passes Following Brief Illness

Death of Brilliant and Popular Young Man Shock to Entire Community—Funeral Saturday Attended by Large Crowd and Floral Offerings Were Unusually Numerous and Beautiful.

The funeral of Mr. Woodberry Lennon, who died Friday evening at 6:20 o'clock at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sue Lennon, was conducted from the home, 6th and Cedar streets, Saturday at 4 p. m. by Rev. Dr. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which deceased was a member, assisted by Rev. I. P. Hedgpeth. After a brief service at the home the remains were interred in Meadow Brook cemetery.

Members of the local bar attended the funeral in a body and formed an aisle from the home to the hearse.

A large crowd, including a number from a distance, attended the funeral. Among the floral offerings, which were of unusual number and beauty, were three large special designs from the following: Baraca class of First Baptist Sunday school, choir of First Baptist church, harp; local bar, lyre.

The pallbearers were: active—Messrs. C. P. McAllister, Herman Crump, E. R. McIntyre, Adrian Britt, E. W. Whaley, S. F. Caldwell, Robt. Proctor, Pope Stephens; honorary, members of the Lumberton bar and county officials.

Among the out-of-town people here for the funeral were Mr. H. C. McNair and daughter, Miss Elizabeth McNair, and Messrs. H. A. McKinnon and J. P. Stansel, of Maxton.

Woodberry Lennon was born January 16, 1885 in Columbus county, son of the late Frances and Mrs. Sue Lennon, who moved to Robeson shortly after his birth and he lived practically all his life in Lumberton. He was sick only a week, death being due to pneumonia following influenza.

Deceased was graduated at Wake Forest college in 1907, completing his law course at the same time. Prior to that time he served for a while as deputy clerk of the Superior court, and after beginning the practice of law here he served acceptably as town attorney, as solicitor of the recorder's court and for a short time as recorder.

Deceased was very active in all lines of work at the First Baptist church, of which he was for years a devoted member, his talent as a musician making him a most valuable addition to the church choir.

His mother, Mrs. Sue Lennon, and two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Bowen and Miss Minnie Lennon, survive.

"Woody", as he was known to practically everyone here and to a large number throughout the state, was a genius at map drawing, as is evidenced by his extraordinary good map of Robeson county, made last year. Not only is it a credit to Mr. Lennon, but to the county itself.

If he had an enemy it is not known. In his early manhood he showed his ability for handling complex things and was appointed deputy to the clerk of the Superior court of Robeson county, where he possibly increased his desires to be an attorney. While holding this important office he was greatly admired by the people with whom he came in contact, including the judges who held court here.

Many legal problems were solved by Mr. Lennon while he was attorney for the town of Lumberton. In many instances he was a very valuable asset to the town and during the time he was thus employed the authorities and town fathers knew that their guidance in affairs was being well handled by the young lawyer.

Those who were unfortunate enough to be brought before the recorder of Lumberton district while Mr. Lennon was the prosecuting attorney will remember that the district should have been proud to have such a man in this position. Especially in this position was he fearless and conscientious, doing everything in his power for the preservation of the law, order and dignity of his immediate district.

The esteem and favor in which he was held in college circles is attested by the fact that during his career at Wake Forest college, where fraternities were not allowed at that time, he was wanted so badly as a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity that he was taken into the fraternity of what was then A. & M. college at Raleigh, where he entered just long enough to become a member of the frat. At Wake Forest he held many important offices in the

Negro Shot In Row Which Ended All- Night Gambling

Jim McDowell May Lose Right Leg as Result of Wound—Sam Harris is in Jail Charged With Shooting.

Jim McDowell, colored, is in the Thompson hospital suffering with a severe wound received in his right thigh Sunday morning about 9:30 when Sam Harris, another man of color, shot him as the result of a quarrel during a gambling game in which several negroes were interested. Harris is said to have shot three times but only one ball took effect.

The shooting took place in a camp in which colored workmen have been living near the Virginia and Carolina Southern freight depot. Gambling, which is said to have been in progress all of Saturday night by the negroes, came to an abrupt ending as the result of the shooting, and the appearance of the officers, who were on the scene shortly afterwards. Warrants were issued for all the gamblers and they were placed in custody of the officers.

The negro who did the shooting escaped the officers, however, but was later arrested on the V. & C. S. train as it stopped at St. Paul. He is now in the county jail awaiting trial, which will be held as soon as the condition of the wounded man will permit his attendance.

It is feared by the doctors at the Thompson hospital, where the wounded man was carried for medical attention, that it will be necessary to amputate the leg in order to save the negro's life.

TRINITY COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED

Bad Weather Kept Out-of-Town Alumni Away from Barbecue Thursday Night—Mr. R. E. Thigpen Brought an Inspiring Message—Meeting to be Held in April.

Local Trinity college alumni, with Mr. R. E. Thigpen, assistant secretary of the general alumni association, met at the Goat club house Thursday evening, enjoyed a barbecue, and formed the Robeson County Trinity Alumni association, with the following officers: D. H. Fuller, president; Miss Carolyn Shooter and Mr. R. M. Norment, vice presidents; H. A. McKinnon of Maxton, treasurer; J. A. Sharpe, secretary.

Much to the regret of the local alumni, owing to the inclement weather no out-of-town county alumni, several of whom had signified their intention of coming, were present. It was decided to hold another meeting early in April and it is hoped that every alumna and alumnus in the county will attend this meeting and assist in perfecting the tentative organization formed Thursday night.

Mr. Thigpen brought an inspiring message of the large plans and purposes at Trinity which will advance this college still further among the leading educational institutions in the country. He said the new gymnasium will be completed this spring and that already plans have been made for several other buildings which are needed. He also explained the revolving fund plan, by which it is proposed to add to the income of the college \$60,000 a year from its alumni.

It is hoped that some member of the faculty will be present at the meeting in April, when a banquet will be given.

Mrs. M. H. Nobles and two children left Saturday for Robersonville, where they will spend a few days visiting friends and relatives.

Messrs. W. C. Brown, H. G. Stubbs and A. R. Bullock of Fairmont are business visitors here today.

different organizations, including the Y. M. C. A. and student's council. He was a very important figure in the activities of the First Baptist church, and of the Lumberton Masonic fraternity.

Tribute to His Pastor Reported for The Robesonian.

At the morning service yesterday at the First Baptist church the pastor, Dr. Durham, spoke words of appreciation of the life and work of Mr. Woodberry Lennon. Dr. Durham said of the deceased that he had an active part in all the work of the church and that his place would never be filled. He spoke of his faithfulness to the services of the church, and especially the work of the preparation of the musical programs, "and while we miss him today in our own choir here," he said, "we know that he is filling his place for the first time in the heavenly choir, along with the angels in glory." While we cannot here carry on his work, said Dr. Durham, he urged the younger members of the town and church to step into the ranks, fill in their places, complete the work so nobly begun, and emulate his example.

Lumberton Post Shies at Sales Tax

Local Legionnaires Table National Committee's Soldiers' Bonus Bill—Use of Hall Tendered Confederate Veterans.

A request from the national committee on soldiers' bonus that the Lumberton post No. 42 of the American Legion endorse their bill was tabled at the regular business meeting of the legionnaires Thursday night, held in the club rooms over the town hall.

The bill carries with it a sales tax for the payment of the bonus, which is not expected to meet with favor among the local members of the legion.

Mr. Dixon McLean, chairman of postoffice building committee, reported that he had heard from Senator Simmons and that the Legion was assured of assistance from the North Carolina senators and congressmen.

"A Man Without A Country" is the title of a moving picture which the local post is using efforts to get shown here at an early date.

A special committee was appointed to tender to the local Confederate Veterans' organization an offer to the soldiers of the Civil War for use of the Legion's club rooms at any time they may desire.

Recorder's Court

Like a Day in Superior Criminal—Colored Gamblers in the Net.

The regular Monday morning session of Recorder's court had the appearance of a day during the recent criminal term of Superior court, the docket being crowded with cases to be tried before Recorder Ivey.

Cases disposed of early in the day include:

Morris Pope, speeding; plead guilty; judgment continued for two years upon payment of costs.

Theodore Watson, speeding; plead guilty; judgment continued for two years upon payment of costs.

L. M. Biggs plead not guilty to a charge of being drunk and disorderly in the town of Lumberton, but he was found guilty and fined \$10 and costs.

Lee Kennert, Will Young, John Lewis, Jim McArn and Charlie Hodgins, all colored, charged with gambling, all plead guilty with the exception of Charlie Hodgins who plead not guilty, but was found guilty. Recorder Ivey taxed each with a fine of \$10 and costs, except John Lewis, whose past police record caused his honor to give him 30 days on the public roads of Robeson county.

The defendants in the above case were those who were participating in gambling at the camp where Sam Harris shot and seriously wounded Jim McDowell, mention of which is made elsewhere in this issue.

TO BEGIN FOREST FIRE PRE- VENTION WORK RIGHT AWAY

District Fire Warden Merrill Has Arrived to Get the Work Under Way—He Will Appoint a County Warden and One for Each Township.

Mr. F. B. Merrill, district forest fire warden, arrived in Lumberton Saturday to appoint county and township fire wardens and to get forest fire prevention work, for which the county commissioners made an appropriation at their meeting last Monday, started in Robeson. As stated in Thursday's Robesonian in connection with mention of this action on the part of the commissioners, the Federal government, through the North Carolina Geologic survey, will match every dollar the county puts up for this work. The initial appropriation was \$200, and this will be increased as needed up to not exceeding \$800 for the year.

Mr. Merrill was much gratified upon his arrival here Saturday to find that the county commissioners had simplified his first work by leaving a list of suggestions of suitable men for fire wardens. He is, conferring with County Attorney E. J. Britt and probably will have the list of wardens ready for The Robesonian to publish in its next issue.

Play by Pupils of Barker-Ten Mile School.

A play, "My Irish Rose", was given at the Barker-Ten Mile school house Friday night of last week by pupils of the school. The play was a success, those taking part performing well, but the inclement weather interfered, keeping many away that otherwise would have been there. The door receipts amounted to \$42.92. Prof. D. B. Oliver of the school, was among the visitors in town Saturday and he asked The Robesonian to state that the school appreciates very much the patronage given them.

Fairmont Letter

Mrs. Ettie Walters Died Yesterday—Concert for Benefit of Parent-Teacher Association—Personal.

By Herman F. Jennings
Fairmont, Feb. 12.—Mrs. Ettie Walters, aged 68, died at her home on R. 2 Sunday morning, and will be buried this afternoon in the family burying plot near Atkinson mill pond. Her husband, Mr. W. P. Walters, is among those surviving.

Mr. A. P. Gandy of Darlington, S. C., spent Sunday here at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Barnes.

A concert was given by the Southern musical bureau in the Jones building, Thursday night. It was enjoyed by a large crowd. The proceeds of the entertainment are for the benefit of the parent-teacher association.

Rev. W. F. Trawick, who has been confined to his bed, is again able to be up.

Mrs. H. Weinstein and sons, Raftord and Morton, spent the week-end in Lumberton with friends and relatives.

Miss Annie McMillan left the first of the week for Baltimore, where she will purchase her spring and winter goods.

Misses Lucile Thompson and Ruby Whitfield of Dillon are spending the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Keeter.

Mr. H. G. Stubbs was a business visitor in Smithfield Wednesday.

Mrs. Alford McCormick of McDonald spent Friday evening with her aunt Mrs. F. C. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crawford of Rowland were Fairmont visitors Saturday.

Mrs. F. F. Thompson of Dundarach spent last week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson.

Mr. E. J. Chambers returned home Tuesday from Tenn., where he had been on business.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Keeter left Friday for Halifax in response to a telegram announcing the death of Mrs. Keeter's mother.

Legislative Mill

Incurable insanity as ground for divorce, provided no child has been born of the marriage and that the person has been confined to a hospital for treatment of the insane is provided in a measure offered by Nimocks of Cumberland.

A workmen's compensation bill was offered in the house Thursday.

A bill offered in the house provides for repeal of the law enacted two years ago forbidding the sale of brick by the State prisons except to other State institutions.

Friday

Control of the state tubercular sanitarium would be transferred from the state board of health to a board of directors to be named by the governor through a bill which passed third reading in the senate. The bill substituted an investigation of the sanitarium proposed by the Broughton resolution from the house.

Set as a special order in the upper house, the Giles farm loan bill, carrying an appropriation of \$2,500,000, was sent to a special committee of three, which was instructed to consider the detailed provisions of the bill and report.

The house passed a bill introduced by Representative Warren, of Beaufort county, which would provide that no person could receive pistols or other deadly weapons through the mails without first presenting a permit to the delivering authority to show that such persons was entitled to possess or carry such weapon.

The lower branch kept its stride with the business of the day by again clearing up every calendar before adjournment for the day.

House judiciary committee No. 1 announced three meetings for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week, when matters calling for special hearings would be considered.

Representative Bowie's bill, which would provide for a trunk line of railroad through Ashe, Allegheny and Watauga counties, was set for a special hearing before the house appropriations committee tomorrow morning.

PLANS ON FOOT FOR A COTTON MILL FOR MAXTON

Scottish Chief 9th.

A meeting of some of the business men of Maxton was held yesterday afternoon to discuss plans for building a cotton mill at Maxton. It is understood that a committee of the leading men was appointed who will make a definite report as to the possibilities at an early date.

ONE-FOUR-FOUR is our phone number and we carry everything in the line of groceries. Free delivery—M. H. Nobles.

St. Paul News

Marriage of Miss Ida Myers of Baltimore and Mr. Simon Leviton—New Meat Market—New Store to be Opened Soon—Personal.

By Bess G. Johnson

St. Paul, Feb. 9.—We who dislike bad gloomy weather know how to appreciate the true value of the sun's bright rays this morning.

Mrs. J. M. Wicker returned to her home town, Sanford, today, having been here the past several weeks.

On account of disagreeable weather Dr. Vardell's address, which was to have been in the Presbyterian church on last evening, was called off until a more favorable season.

Mr. R. H. Coley returned home yesterday from a hospital where he had been a patient for several days. Mr. Dunk Currie, formerly of Lumber Bridge, who holds a position with the Ford dealers here, is also undergoing treatment in a hospital, his friends will regret to know.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Leviton are receiving congratulations of their friends, they having been recently united in marriage. Mrs. Leviton was Miss Ida Myers of Baltimore. She visited in St. Paul a few weeks last summer. Mr. Leviton, formerly of Baltimore, is a brother of Mrs. Joe Sugar, and for several months has held a position with the "home of bargains", of which his brother-in-law, Mr. Sugar, is proprietor. Their many friends wish them a life of success and happiness.

Miss Ethel Covington of the high school faculty spent last week-end at Fairmont with friends.

Mr. J. R. Gurganus of Chesterfield, S. C., who moved here some weeks ago, opened a meat market here last Saturday. He resides in the dwelling vacated by Mr. J. D. Odom and family, about January 1st.

The many friends of Mr. A. R. McEachern will regret to know he has been indisposed with a deep cold this week. Symptoms reported today indicate something in the nature of influenza. We hope however, he will soon be o. k.

Messrs. Locke and Archie McInnis are making preparation to open a 5 and 10 cent store here in the near future, a building being remodeled and arranged for this purpose.

The Woman's Auxiliary meeting which was postponed Monday afternoon on account of inclement weather, will be held at the manse this afternoon.

Mr. Worth Williamson of Fairmont, formerly of Grantham Drug Co. here was in town last Friday to the delight of friends.

Mr. Douglas Smith of Lumber Bridge accompanied Mr. D. Locke Smith of Quitman, Ga., to our town for a little visit to relatives and friends last Tuesday afternoon. The latter, who arrived in North Carolina Monday for a short while, came over again Wednesday for the day. His many friends were glad to have him in their midst, if only a short while. He will visit New York and Baltimore ere his return to Quitman. He is a son of Mrs. Effie J. Smith who is a sister of Mesdames A. R. McEachern, J. D. Johnson and Miss Alice Shaw of our town.

Mr. S. L. Parker suffered a few slight bruises when his head hit the ground that slippery morn, Tuesday, when everything was frozen o'er. Some weather, we've been having, these past few days.

Mr. Neill A. McEachern, who has recently opened a business in Lumberton, where he will handle International Harvester Co's implements, etc., will continue to reside in St. Paul, making the trip daily to Lumberton and back. His friends wish him good luck in his new enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McGeachy were Fayetteville visitors Saturday afternoon of last week.

We notice one of our St. Paul boys, Wm. Fay Caudell's name among the successful applicants who stood examination to practice law in North Carolina, which was held last week in Raleigh. His friends rejoice with him in his good fortune and wish him a most successful future.

Septuagenarian Widower Sparking Here.

Reported for The Robesonian.

Among the Sunday visitors in Lumberton was a gentleman from up the line who was celebrating his birthday, having been born on the 11 February 74 years ago. He is a frequent visitor in Lumberton, there being an attraction here for him out of the ordinary for one of his age. He imparted the information confidentially that he had a good home, but since his wife died several years ago he had no one to keep house for him, and that some time in the near future—30 or 60 days at most—he expected to have a "lady of the house."

Cotton Market

Reported by J. H. Barrington

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 27 1-2 cents.

Items of Local News

—The past few days of rain has caused Lumber river to rise considerably, and it is still rising.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Richard Bradley and Maggie Bell Hill, both colored.

—Thursday, 15th, last day to pay light and water bills. Current and water will be cut off where bills are not paid on the 16th.

—The Thursday Afternoon Book club will meet with Mrs. M. F. Cobb Thursday afternoon, February 15th, at 4 o'clock.

—Mr. John F. French, who has been taking treatment in Charlotte for some time, is fast regaining his health, according to information received here by his sister, Mrs. Ira Townsend.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's club will be held at the club tea room Wednesday, February 14th, at 4 o'clock p. m. All members are urgently requested to attend as much business of importance will come before the club.

Jurors for Next Term of Court.

Following is a list of jurors for Robeson Superior court for the trial of civil cases to begin February 20th, with Judge W. A. Devin of Oxford presiding:

First week: H. L. Ivey, S. O. Thompson, W. D. Harrington, Dink Davis, W. H. Averette, John Thompson, J. H. Pitman, A. C. McLeod, Arch McGirt, J. C. Allen, B. F. Wade, W. D. Barker, E. L. Vinson, W. J. Mercer, Sandy McLean, E. W. Floyd, W. K. Culbreth, S. H. Hammond, D. L. Palmer, W. W. Lewis, R. S. Monroe, E. O. Fisher, J. F. Phillips, J. H. McArn.

Second Week: A. B. Smith, A. L. Hayes, C. J. McCallum, J. B. Regan, E. D. Pitman, J. C. McPhail, J. H. Powers, Arch McMillan, Duncan McNeill, John A. McLean, I. D. Hedgpeth, D. T. Kinlaw, B. W. Pitman, J. C. Griffin, G. W. Lennon, D. McP. McArthur, Jas. R. Taylor, I. J. Flowers, F. W. Carter, R. M. Lamb, B. B. Shooter, H. S. Smith, Ernest P. Williams, Jno. K. Britt.

Ford Coupe and Paige Car Damaged in Collision.

A Ford coupe driven by Mr. Ira Townsend was badly smashed Saturday about noon when it was sideswiped by a Paige touring car driven by Mr. Willie Mac Oliver of Marietta.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Chestnut and Eighth streets, as Mr. Oliver was turning into Eighth from Chestnut. Just before making the turn, Mr. Oliver passed two wagons on Chestnut street, which necessarily put him on the left side of the street, and in making the turn he could not recover far enough to the right side of Eighth street to avoid hitting the car which Mr. Townsend was driving.

The radiator, a fender and a lamp were badly damaged on the Paige, while the Ford was so badly damaged that it was sent to a garage for repairs. Although the accident was unavoidable, Mr. Oliver admitted he was on the wrong side and offered to pay the damages.

Runaway Causes Some Excitement.

A runaway which caused considerable excitement Friday afternoon happened when a horse hitched to a wagon ran up First street from the S. A. L. station to Chestnut street, thence up Chestnut street to Second where he was stopped by Mr. Frank McLeod.

During the flight, the wagon which the horse was pulling struck another wagon in which Mrs. Dock Lawson and two small children were sitting, and one of the white-way electric posts. Mrs. Lawson and children escaped injury, while the wagon was knocked several feet and the coupling pole broken. The light post was knocked to the ground and the globe demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McMillan returned last night from Florence, S. C., where they spent some time visiting relatives. They were accompanied home by Miss Inez McPherson of Florence, who will spend some time here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McMillan.

Mr. J. J. Humphrey of R. 2, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Town Taxes

Two percent was added to unpaid town taxes on Feb. 1st. One additional percent will be added on March 1st, making three percent.

J. P. RUSSELL,
Clerk and Treasurer. Adv