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## WIFE BRINGS SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST HUSBAND AND THEN KISSES HIM GOODBYE

Gus Dutton Gets Total of Twenty Six Months on Roads For Using Razor on "Puny" Little Wife and Alleged Lover.

### NO EVIDENCE THAT WIFE HAD BETRAYED HUSBAND

Defendant Makes Plea In Own Behalf—Judge Daniels Calls Attention to Unusual Scene—Step-Son of Convicted Man Plays Part in Court Drama—Mother-in-Law Charged With Frame-Up Kisses Son-In-Law.

### DUTTON OFFERS TO LEAVE WIFE HE LOVED SO WELL.

"Drink has made you lose relish for honest industry," Judge F. A. Daniels, presiding over Superior criminal court here, told Gus Dutton, white man, Tuesday before a sentence of 26 months on the roads was given after he had submitted to a plea of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, the victim of his assault being his wife and Curtis Cameron, both employes of Mansfield cotton mill here.

"I wish every man in Robeson county could witness this scene," said the judge in his remarks regarding the case before passing judgment. At the close of evidence for the State, counsel for Dutton submitted his client to the charge. Dutton went on the stand to tell his reason for the assault on his wife and Cameron, the assault taking place in East Lumberton about 3 weeks ago, more than 40 stitches being required to close the wounds on the man and woman after Dutton, the raving husband, had proceeded to carve them up with a razor.

### An Unusual Scene.

Possibly never before in the history of Robeson county has such a scene been witnessed by a crowd that filled the court room to overflowing. Gus Dutton, 48 years old, seemed to have gradually vanished from society on account of drink. In his plea to the judge he stated that he was sorry and offered to leave the State forever; leave his "brown-eyed wife" he had loved so well; leave the step-son whom he loved like his own, or, if given the privilege, would take back his "puny" little wife and live as best he could; care for her and keep her comfortable as long as he was able to do so. He contended, as he did on cross-examination, that a frame-up had been the cause for the marital troubles, and admitted that he was drinking at the time he came to Lumberton from Laurinburg to catch his wife with a man he had been told was her lover. He denied on cross-examination that he told officers and newspaper men that he received word from Lumberton that his wife didn't want him any more on account of another man.

### The Assault.

Now the other man, who, according to the evidence offered, was the victim of circumstances and not guilty of any immoral conduct as alleged by Dutton, stated on the stand that he boarded in the home of Mrs. Dutton's mother, and, that on the particular morning he left the house about 6 o'clock after Mrs. Dutton had left, overtaking her some distance away. When a few steps behind Mrs. Dutton, Mr. Cameron swore that a man jumped from behind a tree and threatened to kill Mrs. Dutton if she didn't stop, and made an attempt to assault her. He (Cameron) tried to protect the woman and in so doing was severely cut by Dutton's razor. A fur trimmed coat, worn by Mrs. Dutton at the time, showed that a desperate attempt was made to cut her head off, the fur collar being badly slashed. Mrs. Dutton also exhibited to the jury and judge a long scar on the back of her neck which was done after the razor cut through the collar.

Cameron's testimony was not discounted on cross-examination, and when he left the stand nobody believed the contention of Dutton. Capt. F. Eli Wishart, commander of the local unit of the National guard, states that Cameron is a member of the outfit and, had, in confidence, told him that the charges were unfounded. Spectators and officers of the court were greatly surprised when the case was called to see Dutton walk to the iron railing separating the audience from the official portion of the courtroom, and shake hands with his mother-in-law, and more surprised to see her plant an affectionate kiss on his lips. Dutton, even after that, charged that there had been a frame-up, and on direct examination stated he had been ordered to leave his mother-in-law's home.

### A DECADE AGO

Cotton, 11 1-4 cents the pound; seed, 60 cents the bushel. Miss Helen McLeod of route 5 from Lumberton dies from burns she received while starting a fire with kerosene. Mother of Mr. A. E. Boney of Lumberton dies at her home in Blytheville, S. C. Six freight cars derailed on V. & C. S. railroad near McMillan's siding.

### TEN YEARS BEFORE THAT.

Cotton 11 1-4 cents the pound; eggs 15 cents the dozen. Engagement of Miss Nannie Watson to Mr. D. W. Crump announced. Mrs. Hamilton McMillan dies suddenly at her home in Red Springs. Local light plant earns \$108.63 during last four months. Miss Mary Rowland becomes bride of Mr. D. P. Shaw at "Riverside", home of bride's mother. Mrs. Sue Blount Rowland.

### Lumberton-St. Paul Road in Feb. Letting

Largest of 16 Projects on Which Bids Will be Received for \$2,500,000 of Roads—Road in Bladen Among Them.

Bids for the construction of 136.70 miles on the State highway system involving an expenditure of around two and a half million dollars to be let in 16 projects will be received by the State Highway commission, and will be opened and read February 8 at 10 o'clock. This will involve the construction of 58.30 miles of hard-surface scattered through seven counties, and the remaining 78.4 miles will be dirt roads or grading.

The largest project is 13.46 miles of hard-surface out of Lumberton toward St. Paul on route 22. The project on route 22 from Smithfield to the Harnett county line involves the construction of more road, 15.96 miles but it will be of the top soil type.

Among projects for dirt roads or grading: In Bladen county, 12 miles on route 231, from Elizabethtown towards Zora. High and local thermometer readings, and rainfall in inches last three days: 25th—46-30.53; 26th—39-22.0; 27th—54-30.0. Same days last year: 25th—66-30.0; 26th—71-41.0; 27th—66-51-07.

and one would judge from his demeanor that there was every trace of hatred between the two people.

### A Pathetic Incident

One of the pathetic scenes of the day was when the little step-son, about 8 years of age, twisted out of his mother's lap and wandered his way around chairs occupied by witnesses and attorneys, stopping only when he was comfortably seated in the lap of his step-father, who was under indictment, brought by the child's mother. The little fellow had a small bag and told his step-father he had brought him some candy and in the other hand was a Testament, which he opened, but which neither he nor the defendant could read. Tears welled up in the defendant's eyes. The wife and mother glanced their way, and though she did not have to wipe away any tears, her eyes filled and she was seen to swallow uncomfortably.

The climax of the day came when the wife who had charged her husband with a felonious crime on the stand told of a negro girl's story that her husband had tried to commit a criminal assault on her, gave evidence of the defendant's serving a sentence on the roads for gambling and how miserable he had made the few weeks of their 4-years-married life they had tried to keep house.

It was now time for the judge to pronounce sentence, which he did after commenting on the seriousness of the affair. As the judge ordered the next case called the defendant moved from his seat and stood up. A few sympathizers spoke to him and gave him money. The wife, who had paid very little attention to things except when her husband was making his own plea to the judge, was seen to send the little boy over to his step-father. It was a touching scene when the little fellow kissed the man, but when Dutton beckoned to Mrs. Dutton and said, "come here" and she nodded, those who had seen and heard it prepared themselves for the unusual. She came to him, took him by the hand and kissed him as affectionately as if he had been cleared of a capital charge, and they were to live happily together thereafter.

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## TWO NEGROES FACE CHARGE OF MURDER

Trial of Negroes Charged With Killing Rowland Police Will Begin Tomorrow—Large Crowds Attending Court—Four Indians On Trial For Killing Cleveland Lambert.

### GRAND JURY WANTS COURT HOUSE BURNED KEPT.

Robeson Superior court for the trial of criminal cases which convenes here Monday morning with Judge C. A. Daniels of Columbus presiding, has been attended by large crowds each day. Tomorrow the largest crowd of the week is expected as the trial of Robert Lumpkin and Booker T. Williams, negroes, charged with killing Chief-of-Police Deza Rogers in Kowland Christmas, will begin. Nathan Bruce Indian charged with killing a negro several months ago when an automobile Bruce was driving ran into a car driven by the negro, became guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to 6 years in the State prison, but judgment was suspended upon the defendant making good for his appearance at each criminal term of court here for the next two years, showing he had not drunk whiskey or driven an automobile during that time.

Dewey Stone, charged with seduction, entered a plea of not guilty and paid the prosecuting witness the sum of \$850, and paid costs in the case.

The case against Lawrence Chavis, A. Stewart, Marvin Jacobs and Nun Oxendine, Indians, charged with killing Cleveland Lambert, Indian, probably will reach the jury late this afternoon. Lambert died Christmas day in the county home from a knife wound inflicted by Chavis, who testified that he did it in self-defense.

The grand jury was discharged yesterday afternoon after they had filed their report, which was very good, and committees finding the county home, jail and chain gang camps in good sanitary condition. The only recommendation was that the sheriff be instructed to have the janitor keep the court house in better condition. "We are not satisfied with the condition of the court house," the report read. Next week a civil term of one week will convene with Judge Daniels presiding.

## Senate Approves U. S. Entry Into World Court

Washington, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Adherence of the United States to the World Court with reservations was approved tonight by the Senate, 76 to 17.

The vote brought to an end one of the bitterest fights the Senate has had since the memorable struggle over the League of Nations.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the war President, sat in the crowded galleries with rapt attention as the Senate cast the vote giving its "advice and consent" to American membership in the court set up under the covenant of the League which her husband brought back from Paris, and which the Senate rejected March 19, 1920.

Operating under the drastic cloture rule limiting debate, the Senate worked far past its usual hour of adjournment in order to reach the final vote. There was five hours of debate and then a rapid fire of roll calls on which every reservation pressed by opponents of the court was rejected by overwhelming majorities.

### CHANGE-OF-BUSINESS SALE MEETS WITH BIG SUCCESS

Mr. J. T. Biggs Has Record-Breaking Opening—Glass Door Broken By Anxious Crowd.

Mr. John T. Biggs, who is conducting a "Change-of-Business" sale and who advertised this sale through The Robesonian, stated this morning that he had never had such a successful opening of a sale in the history of his business.

Advertisements had offered special bargains at the opening hour of 11 o'clock yesterday, and the crowd that gathered was so great that in the rush to get the bargains the glass in one of the front doors was broken by the pushing crowd. Mr. Biggs has another advertisement in today's paper offering special bargains for the remainder of the week.

### Highway Closed.

Highway No. 20 is closed east of Lumberton on account of hard-surfacing being done near the bridge over Lumber river at Boardman. For 14 days it will be necessary for local and through traffic to detour by way of Bladenboro, Clarkton and Whiteville. All the hard-surfacing has been completed between the river and Chadbourn, which make a cement road all the way from the river to Wilmington.

Another Week of \$8 Hand-Tailored Suits. JOHN D. PURVIS, Tailor. Lumberton, N. C.

## FAIRMONT LETTER

Old Maids' Convention Did Well in Fun and Money—Delightful Meeting of Ladies Aid—Honor Roll—Personal.

Fairmont, Jan. 28.—The old maids' convention played to a good-sized audience Friday night, and realized the neat sum of \$84.80. Following is a list of the old maids: Mrs. F. H. Pittman as Miss Josephine Jane Green, president; Mrs. H. S. Inman, as Priscilla Abigail Hodges, secretary; Mrs. F. C. Jones as Calamity Jane Higgins, treasurer; Mrs. J. F. Johnson—Rebecca Rachel Sharpe; Mrs. Grady Floyd—Polly Jane Pratt; Mrs. H. G. Stubbs—Tiny Short; Mrs. Clara Traynham—Juliet Long; Mrs. Fannie Ricks—Violet Ann Ruggles; Mrs. Carl Pittman—Betsy Bobbett; Mrs. Cleopatra Bell Brown—Mrs. Erdman Grantham; Mrs. P. P. Jones—Sophia Stuckey; Mrs. Tebe Floyd—Jerusha Matilda Spriggins; Mrs. Howard Nye—Charity Longface; Mrs. Grady McCormick—Mary Ann Freddler; Mrs. H. A. Thompson—Patience Desire Mann; Mrs. W. T. Sledge—Belinda Bluegrass; Mrs. J. A. Galloway—Frances Beautyspot Temptation Touch-Me-Not; Mrs. C. A. Floyd—Hannah Susannah Biggers; Mrs. O. I. Floyd—Lucy Matilda Love Divine; Mrs. T. S. Teague—Mary Maria Sweet; Mrs. Ben Thompson—Susan Melyna Wagstaff; Wayland Floyd as Prof. Makeover, with Pittman Fisher as assistant.

Misses Virginia Floyd, Kathleen McDaniel, Marion and Josephine Johnson (as twins) and Margenta Lassiter, and Mr. Victor Hayes, came out as being made over from the old maids. Josephine Jane Green, president, refused to tell her age, so closed the play by being ground to pieces, her hat, shoes and lones flying out of the machine. Mesdames F. J. Barber and C. D. Baker started the fun at the door by being dressed as the folks would know that they also were members of our Ladies Single Blessedness Debating Society.

A most delightful meeting of the Ladies Aid society was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. T. Stone, Mrs. P. P. Smith being joint hostess. After the business meeting a program consisting of a reading by Mrs. T. S. Teague, a poem by Mrs. Carl Pittman, short stories by Mesdames Giles Floyd and W. T. Sledge, the hostesses, assisted by little Sarah Lou Smith and Lindell Stone, and Mrs. Sebastian Pittman, served delicious chicken salad, pickles, pickles and coffee, followed by salted nuts in pink and blue baskets. The society was glad to welcome Mesdames Howard Nye and Sebastian Pittman as new members. The February meeting will be held with Mrs. Belle Baker.

### The Honor Roll for December in the graded and high school was read last week and following are the names:

Kathryn Ashly, Lynnwood Ashley, Helen McDaniel, Jimmy Floyd, Elizabeth McGirt, Lucile Atkinson, G. H. Floyd Jr., Marion Floyd, Josephine Johnson, Linda Mitchell, Hazel Mitchell, Martha Eleanor Floyd, Bernice Lamb, Jack Alford, Hal Floyd, E. G. Floyd Jr., Frances Lanier, Graham Inman, Alice Brice Grantham, Mary Williams, Alma Powell, Margie Brice, Ruby Page, Martha Trayham, and Jack Oliver. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Bullock, who moved to Baden December 20 last year, have moved back to Fairmont. Mr. Bullock is now working in the barber shop. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen, Tuesday, a 9 1-2 pound son, Herman Albert. Mrs. J. F. Johnson's uncle of Asheville spent a few days in town last week. Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Lanier and little son, John, spent several days in Virginia and upper North Carolina recently.

### Buie News Items

By W. H. M. Brown

Buies, Jan. 23.—Mrs. Z. G. and Miss Willard Hall were Lumber Bridge visitors Sunday.

Mr. Willie Humphrey is a visitor here at the home of his sister Mrs. W. H. Adams.

Mr. J. R. McLeod of Lumberton was a Buie visitor Monday.

Rev. Mr. Johnson of Laurinburg filled his first appointment here Sunday, preaching to a good-sized congregation, and his message seemed to have been received with much interest by the people.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Williams were Lumberton visitors Saturday.

Mrs. J. R. McLeod of Lumberton is spending a few days here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McLeod.

McAllister Property Re-Sold. Mr. W. S. Britt was again the successful bidder at the auction sale of the McAllister Hardware Co. buildings on Elm street yesterday when he bid \$26,925, which is \$3 more than the bid offered by Mr. A. Weinstein, who raised the initial bid of \$25,640 within 15 days after the first sale. The property will be sold again in the event the bid is raised within 15 days from yesterday's sale.

TEN YEAR FARM LOANS IN SUMS FROM \$1,000 TO \$100,000 LOWEST COST TO BORROWER PREPAYMENT PRIVILEGES ON ANY INTEREST DATE APPLY TO LEE AND LEE, ATTY'S, LUMBERTON, N. C.

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## NEGRO WANTED FOR KILLING HIS WIFE

Ed Franklin Sought By Officers—Coroner's Jury Finds He Shot His Wife Mary, Who Died on Operating Table Tuesday Night.

### SHOOTING NEAR ROWLAND

Mary Franklin, colored, died Tuesday night in a hospital in Florence, S. C., as the result of a gunshot wound she received at her home near Rowland Sunday night, and according to evidence given at an inquest over her remains this morning the fatal shot was fired by her husband, Ed Franklin.

Franklin is being sought by county officers, but no trace of him has been found. The coroner's jury ordered that Franklin be held for higher court.

It was in evidence at the inquest that Mary Franklin was in the kitchen of her home when her husband knocked on the door. Mary is said to have asked him what he wanted and he requested her to go away with him. She refused to go, and Franklin walked in and shot her, the shot taking effect in her breast. She died on an operating table while an effort was being made to extract shot. Witnesses at the house at the time of the shooting heard the shooting and testified that the woman crawled in to an adjoining room and charged her husband with the shooting.

## ROWLAND NEWS

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Rowland, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Leewood McCallum spent last week with relatives at Murrell's Inlet.

Miss Margie Hines, who is teaching at Fort Bragg, spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hines.

Mr. J. Brown Bullock spent a few days of last week at High Point and Greensboro.

Mrs. Boyd Stephens and little daughter, of Dillon, spent Friday with Mrs. Lucia McCallum.

Mr. Howard Martin of Bennettsville, S. C., spent last week-end with relatives.

Messrs. J. M. Lytch of Lumberton and H. B. Ward have returned from Asheville, where they spent a few days of last week on business.

Miss Myrtle Swann of Maxton spent last week-end with friends.

Miss Bessie Brake returned Sunday to Shelby after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Brake.

Miss Allie Bird McKimmon of Lumberton spent last week-end with friends and relatives.

Mrs. D. D. Bullock and son, D. D. Jr., of Charleston, S. C., are visiting Mrs. Lizzie McLeod. Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. McLeod, who has been sick, is much improved.

Miss Kate Whitley of Mairon, S. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bullock last week-end.

Miss Lucia Mae McCallum spent last week-end with her sister Mrs. Boyd Stephens of Dillon.

Miss Marie Bethune and Messrs. E. L. Veasey and T. M. Crawford of Fayetteville spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Ben McEachern returned from Asheville Saturday, where he attended the funeral of his brother-in-law Mr. Ball.

Mr. J. E. Lytch returned Tuesday from Richmond, where he has been undergoing treatment for the past two weeks.

## School Election Is The Topic Around Parkton

Consolidation of Three Schools With Parkton is Proposed—Death of Mr. Wm. T. Johnson—Personal and Other Items.

By C. D. Williamson.

Parkton, Jan. 26.—Our town was made sad Friday night, about 8 o'clock when the news was received that Mr. William T. Johnson of Rosemary had died at 5 o'clock almost suddenly, suffering from hemorrhage of the brain. The remains arrived Saturday at 5 p. m. on train 89 accompanied by his wife and 5 children and his brother, Clarence Johnson, also Rev. Mr. MacKay. The remains were taken to the home of Mr. L. E. Hughes, Mrs. Hughes being a sister of deceased. The funeral was held from the resident Sunday at 1 p. m., conducted by Mr. MacKay, pastor of the Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. J. H. Powers, pastor of the Baptist church and the burial was in the Nicholson grave yard, one mile away. A large attendance, and the floral offerings were most beautiful. Following acting pallbearers: J. C. Lancaster, M. R. Tolar, L. M. Powell, W. W. Gaine, W. A. China and Neill McMillan. Deceased is survived by his wife and 5 children and 5 brothers and one sister. Among the out-of-town attendants were Mrs. Lula Alford of Smithfield and daughter, Miss Louise, of New York, and all of his brothers were present. Deceased was fifty years old, and was a prominent man loved by all who knew him. A faithful and devoted husband and father, and will be greatly missed in home and community in which he lived. A teetotaler from all intemperate habits, possessing a most admirable personality, and was robust and the picture of manhood before his sudden death. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

The question was asked the writer Monday morning, Did you predict this now? Yes, but I was much surprised to see the ground all covered in beautiful snow, and it furnished the most beautiful scenery for the day yet. A ride out by the hill side will prove the statement.

Mr. J. C. Pugh of Williamson, W. Va., arrived Saturday evening and will remain for several days with loved ones ere he returns.

An up-to-date fresh meat market has been installed in the front of the Cobb and McMillan store. This makes the third like manner stand for our town. No objections. The more the better.

The proposed school election which is fast approaching, Feb. 20 is the topic of the day, and the result will forever settle the important question, Should Bukhorn, Athens and New Home schools be consolidated with Parkton? This is a question with the citizens of Parkton township. The question, as we see it, is not simply to improve Parkton school but to aid the above three schools and give them an equal showing from an educational standpoint.

Rev. J. J. Boone will preach at Parkton M. E. church next Sunday night at 7 o'clock. The public invited.

GOVERNOR LUNCH GUEST AT NEW YORK BANKERS' CLUB

Predicts State Bonds Will One Day Sell On Four Per Cent Basis.

New York, Jan. 25.—Angus W. McLean, Governor of North Carolina, was a lunch guest at the Bankers' club today of Lehman Brothers and company. He met there many of the bond men who have been responsible for the successful sale of the recent large issues of North Carolina road bonds. He reviewed briefly the advantages North Carolina enjoys, from a fiscal viewpoint, over some other states and predicted that North Carolina bonds would some day be selling on a four per cent basis.

Governor McLean emphasized in particular the balanced budget law of his state, under which the Governor is authorized at any time to cut down appropriations when the revenues are falling below estimates. It would thus appear that a deficit of serious proportions is made highly improbable, he said. He pointed out that supplementary to the balanced budget law as a recommendation for North Carolina's credit are the sinking fund provisions supporting the State's bond issues. The bulk of North Carolina's road bonds, according to the Governor, will be more than covered by sinking funds some 11 years before maturity.

LOCAL NATIONAL GUARD BOYS TO PLAY RAEFORD SOLDIERS

Game at School Auditorium Tonight Expected to Be Fast and Snappy.

Capt. F. E. Wishart announced this morning that the basketball team of the local unit of the National guard and the Raeford battery will play a match game in the school auditorium here tonight beginning at 8 o'clock. Several of the high school players are members of the local battery and a fast and snappy game is expected. A band concert will be given between halves.

Mr. N. B. Shaw of Rex was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

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## ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. Charles E. Leigh of Red Springs is among the notaries public commissioned by Governor McLean recently.

—The February meeting of the Woman's club will meet on Monday, February 1, at 3:30, in the domestic science room of the high school building.

—George L. Grantham of Fairmont and Carl W. Pridgen Jr., Robert W. Proctor and Albert M. Rich of Lumberton were among the 103 persons taking Mandoy the written examination before the Supreme court in Raleigh to practice law in North Carolina.

—Mrs. D. Amelia McIntyre and son Mr. W. L. McIntyre, who formerly made their home on the farm near Center church, have moved to Lumberton and are living in the Rozier cottage on East Fifth street.

—All real estate in the town of Lumberton upon which paving assessments are not paid by Monday morning at 10 o'clock will be offered for sale at public auction at 12 o'clock, noon, that day, according to Mr. J. P. Russell, town clerk and treasurer.

—Fire yesterday morning practically destroyed the residence of Mrs. Susan Phillips, First street. The origin of the fire is unknown and before the alarm was turned in the entire top of the house was in flames. Some furniture and personal effects were saved by neighbors, and Mrs. Phillips' loss is partially covered by \$1,500 insurance.

—County Agent O. O. Dukes unloaded yesterday the second carload of pyrotol for farmers' of Robeson county. The cars contained 16,000 pounds each of the explosive, there being 96,000 sticks. Mr. Dukes states that he has received about 50 additional applications for pyrotol, but on account of the lateness of the season no more will be ordered during the spring.

—Mr. Robert Monroe of Lumber Bridge, who has been attending court this week as a member of the grand jury, was surprised to find so much less ice and snow Tuesday than at Lumber Bridge. Others have remarked the same difference between Lumberton and near-by points. A Lumberton man who went to Maxton Monday night found much more ice there.

—Mr. J. W. Howell, who spent the past two months in Raeford, substituting for Chief-of-Police Atkinson, returned this week to his home on R. 7 from Lumberton. Mr. Atkinson was seriously wounded when a negro he was trying to arrest resisted and fired on the officer. Mr. Howell stated upon his return through Lumberton that the Raeford officer had practically regained his strength.

—The condition of Mr. B. J. Allen, who lives just a mile and a half east of Lumberton, is improving nicely at the Charlotte sanatorium, where he has been a patient for several weeks and where he was operated on last Friday. Mrs. Allen, who had been with her husband since Sunday, returned home last night. It is expected that Mr. Allen will be able to return home the latter part of next week.

LOCAL MEN INVITED TO ALUMNI CONFERENCE AT STATE UNIVERSITY.

As a result of their interest and activity in alumni affairs, a number of local alumni of the university of North Carolina have received a special invitation to attend the alumni conference and school to be held at Chapel Hill on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. All alumni are invited to attend the conference, but the following local men are among those receiving special invitations: F. Ertel Carlyle, J. Dickson McLean, J. D. Proctor, H. E. Stacy, W. B. Townsend, J. F. Sinclair and N. McN. Smith.

MR. ELLIOTT P. TOWNSEND

Well Known Man Succumbs to Stroke of Paralysis—Funeral and Interment Tuesday.

Funeral services for Mr. Elliott P. Townsend, 62, who died Monday afternoon following a stroke of paralysis he suffered last week, were conducted Tuesday at the home of deceased near Hunter's lodge. Interment was made in the Odum cemetery about 6 miles north of Lumberton. Rev. E. A. Paul conducted the services at the home and grave.

Deceased was a well known farmer and business man and leaves to mourn their loss his widow and several children.

## Cotton Market

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 18 3-4 cents this pound.

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