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A LIFT FOR TODAY

Who when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously.—Peter 2:23.

Peter is reminding us here of Jesus' example. Few can follow it fully, but we should remember our Lord was unjustly criticized—often we deserve criticism. Whatever is justified in our criticism we should try to correct, what we cannot change we can leave to God.

Dear Lord, help us to face our faults honestly, and to turn our ear to false criticism.—PARK

FOREGONE CONCLUSION

Two letters with distinctly different characteristics were received in the week-end mail. One was from Lew Barton, a well-known citizen of the Pembroke area. It is printed as a "Public Forum" message on this page.

The other letter was anonymous. It contained the words, "Warning" and this message: "This is two the palefaces of Saint Pauls. Amey time they get redy two whip Indians of Roberson County tha can come ahead and tha have thire hands full. Stop our race from running arond with the Indiane girls and will shake hands, call well dun." There was no signature, but on the other side of the sheet of paper was this rhyme: "From one frend two another, shere the road brother."

There is no indication that any representative group of citizens of the Saint Pauls area has made any move or any statement of a threatening nature toward any race. Apparently a cross was burned at or near a rural home near St. Pauls last week, on the same night that another cross was burned in a field in the eastern part of Lumberton. There are indications that whoever set up the crosses did some traveling afterward, away from the scene. Presumably the same person or persons could have set up a blazing cross almost anywhere in this county. An unburned cross appeared in a Pembroke field later in the week, but there has been no suggestion that was done by any white persons in the Pembroke areas as a threat toward the Indian people.

Ordinarily, the receipt of this anonymous letter would be considered not worth mentioning. It is quoted because of the anxiety and excitement already aroused in connection with the cross-burnings last week.

The writer of the letter is unknown. It is assumed that he speaks for himself. Some other persons may agree with some of the things he said. But it is an easy guess that for every person who had anything to do with the writing of the letter there are several thousand other persons of the same race (that wasn't stated either) who knew nothing about it and were in no way responsible for it.

Because of the ease with which racial tension can be stirred up by statements from undisclosed sources, it may as well be mentioned that one thing goes without saying: Any racial group in Robeson County that adopts an antagonistic attitude toward another racial group is likely to "have its hands full" of trouble. That can be taken as a foregone conclusion.

Robeson has three minority races, in the sense that no one race makes up as much as half the population. The different races have enjoyed friendly relations for many years. There is a general pattern of segregation, which works pretty well in practice. The mainstay of this pattern of segregation is good will and the mutual desire to "live and let live." Common sense, as well as ethics, requires that the members of different races treat one another with respect and understanding.

The neighbor state of South Carolina has its own racial problems. In so far as is known here, Robeson County has not sent any missionaries to South Carolina to tell the natives how to deal with them. Presumably, South Carolinians know their own circumstances better than anyone else. Robeson County citizens are entitled to the same presumption. No missionaries from other states — southward or northward — are needed to tell Robeson citizens how to get along.

A request has been received for clarification of a statement made in this editorial column last week. That statement said "a news agency received from an unidentified 'Klan spokesman' a report that Klansmen had burned the crosses near St. Pauls and in Lumberton 'as warnings to Indians in Robeson County.'"

If it is a help to anybody, the statement could be rephrased this way: "A news service used a report that quoted an unnamed 'Klan spokesman' as saying that the Klansmen had burned the crosses. . . as warnings," etc.

CLIPPED COMMENT

A BAD YEAR, 1913
(Gastonia Gazette)

Just to get an idea of how something that seems of no importance at all in its first stages can grow into a nation's headache, let's go back for a minute to the year 1913.

That was the year in which the 16th amendment to the Constitution, legalizing federal income taxes, was adopted.

If you don't know how this monstrous steamroller got its start, this tells the story:

Our brilliant Congressmen figured that the small deficit arising from reduced tariff receipts could be taken care of by a tiny tax on the incomes of the more prosperous.

This was the original federal income tax scale:
Incomes of from \$4,000 to \$20,000—one per cent.
Incomes of \$20,000—four per cent.
Incomes of \$50,000—six per cent.

Now people in the United States made more than \$4,000 a year in those days—and that, incidentally, had a buying power of at least \$10,000 today.

PUBLIC FORUM

Indian-White Friendship Has Deep Historic Roots

To the Editor:

The resolution passed Wednesday night by the Maxton town board, condemning the KKK for its attempts to intimidate innocent and well-meaning people, intent only upon maintaining good race relations, is certainly to be commended. It is hoped that other Robeson county towns will follow suit. This is the stuff of which the true Robeson is built.

"The friendship existing between the Indians and whites of the county has been established so long as to become traditional. Even during the darkest days of racial tension, there have always been that majority of law-abiding men of good will who have refused to be swayed by emotion, and have clung tenaciously so that beacon light of friendship, and mutual helpfulness. As the board declared in no unflattering terms, we need no outsiders to gum up the machinery of co-existence that has characterized our relations.

The Indians fought in the Revolutionary war side by side with their white friends, at the very outset of American history; they even fought with them against other Indians. An Indian served under Andrew Jackson in the Legislature—an Indian from this very section. Even the unfortunate advent of Henry Berry Lowry did not eradicate that ardent friendship. Again and again that glowing friendship has been challenged and threatened with destruction by self-seeking agitators, but that hallowed friendship has always weathered the storms, and has emerged more sincere, more ardent than ever. It will not fail now. It has become one of the most beautiful contradictions of history.

Our friendship has been prac-

tical, too. The Indians form the larger of the three racial groups in Robeson, if school records, accounts of births and deaths, are any indication of our true number. We have had our little differences, as even a single family has, but we have learned to live with them, to cope intelligently with them.

(Ed's note: The records showing the largest racial group attending schools to be Indian are those of the Robeson County school system, which do not include enrollment figures for special charter school districts in several towns.

Despite rumors that a couple of Robeson county towns have ordinances forbidding Indians to buy real estate in them; despite rumors of soaring hardware sales in anticipation of a KKK meeting, our friendship will go on.

Added to our shared feelings of friendship, the matter of pure economics swings in the direction of peace, for many Robeson businesses would fold up without that mutual good will. We need each other in politics, in education, in religion—and, yes, even for the time-honored old human need of someone to feel a little superior to. This last-mentioned need operates both ways; if it did not, we would not be human, and Robesonians are certainly that. We have learned to accept minor infractions and irregularities, for this, too, is human—and natural.

No, Mr. KKK: we buried the hatchet before there was ever an NAACP—buried it so deeply in the fertile soil of true humanitarianism that you nor any other organization or individual will ever be able to dig it up again.

LEW BARTON
Pembroke

Episcopalian Laymen Honor Lumberton Activity In '57

Laymen of Trinity Episcopal church, Lumberton, were recognized yesterday at a meeting of the Laymen from the diocese of East Carolina as having made the greatest effort to promote work of laymen in the diocese for the year 1957.

At the diocesan meeting, held at St. Stephens church, Goldsboro, Frank H. Saunders of Lumberton, retiring chairman, presided. A highlight of the gathering was the awarding of the Bishop Thomas H. Wright trophy, to be presented to the laymen's group in the diocese which had contributed most significantly to the work of the laymen. The award to Lumberton was made by John Parsons of Greenville. Attendance

of laymen's organizations at diocesan meetings, at Corporate communions, a work for the Thank Offering were all taken into account.

Mr. Saunders is the retiring chairman of the Laymen's Association of the diocese of East Carolina. He is succeeded by Robert Powell of Holy Trinity church Fayetteville. The retiring secretary-treasurer, Elmer M. Simkins, Lumberton, is succeeded by Julian Hill of Fayetteville.

The laymen of Trinity Episcopal church call themselves the J. Q. Beckwith Men's club. In addition there is a chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at the church, a prayer group which works for a spiritual development of men and boys.

Red Springs Votes Tomorrow On Bonds For Sewage System

RED SPRINGS — Voters of Red Springs will cast their ballots tomorrow on a bond issue of \$123,000 to provide funds to improve the sewage system of the town. The present system, according to a survey made for the town board, is inadequate for present needs and in no way suitable for future needs.

The passing of the bond issue of \$123,000 will enable the town to use a federal grant of \$48,848, available for sanitary improvement, if the town makes up the difference. Total costs of the improvements are estimated at \$237,648 with the proposed bond issue of \$123,000 counted on for the town's share. Other sources are the federal grant of \$48,848; \$10,000 in the utility fund; \$27,000 in the bond fund.

The town board has stated positively that the bond issue if passed

will not cause an increase of taxes.

RED SPRINGS — The Red Springs Junior Chamber of Commerce in the meeting Thursday January 16 went on record favoring the bond issue to be voted upon in Red Springs tomorrow. The Jaycees will provide transportation for anyone desiring to vote. A car will be available to anyone telephoning the town hall.

Members of the club will conduct a telephone campaign urging everyone to vote.

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to further loosen housing credit.

Other proposals—Most of which were made in the earlier State of the Union and Budget messages—would:

Ease the tax laws in several minor ways to benefit small business. (But any tax concessions involving substantial loss of revenue must wait until a general tax cut is possible, Eisenhower said.)

Make the Small Business Administration a permanent agency and enlarge its authorization to make business and disaster loans.

Extend the \$1-an-hour minimum wage to some additional groups of workers, as provided in a pending measure.

Set up federal machinery to help cities with chronic unemployment problems.

Require large companies to notify the government before merging and otherwise tighten the anti-trust laws.

Extend the Trade Agreements Act for five years, authorize further reciprocal tariff cuts, and permit the United States to enter the proposed Organization for Trade Cooperation.

Eisenhower emphasized that 1957 as a whole not only was a prosperous year but a record-breaking one in most respects. The autumn downturn, though sudden and substantial, left business activity at high levels, he said, adding:

"Over 65 million people were employed, 300,000 more than in

9 Persons Hurt In Rural Wrecks

Nine persons were injured in automobile accidents on rural highways of Robeson county over the weekend, four of them in one mishap.

Injured about 8:30 p.m. Saturday were Denise Kosack, 24, of Erie, Pa., with face lacerations; Alex Kosack, 22, of Erie, with a chest injury and face lacerations; Margaret Cellini, 49, of Philadelphia, Pa., with lacerations of the legs; and Deborah Kosack, 2, of Erie with a scalp laceration.

Pt. J. W. Dickens reported the accident occurred 11.5 miles south of Lumberton on highway 301. According to Dickens, Donald Graham Looklear of Rowland, route 1, had entered the highway from a parked position, going south, and Angelo Cellini of Philadelphia was going south and attempted to pass Looklear on a curve, striking the Looklear car and one being driven north by Alex Kosack. Damage to the Cellini car was \$300, to the Looklear car \$30, and to the Kosack car \$750.

Ethel Adams, 56, of Dillon S. C. suffered a head laceration and broken ribs in an accident at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, two miles south of Pembroke. She was a passenger in a car being driven north on highway 710 by Joel M. Adams of Dillon, while Charlie Edward Branch, Jr., of Fairmont, route 2, was driving west on highway 74, their cars colliding. Damage to the Adams car was \$350 and to the Branch car \$500.

David Rose Harrell, 20, of Fort Bragg, suffered lacerations of the left hand and knee, and Celia Anne Harrell, 14, of Fayetteville had a possible back injury and injury of the right foot in a car-motorcycle accident about 5:30 p.m. Friday, seven miles south of Lumberton on highway 301. Pt. J. C. Pierce, Jr., reported Daniel Luther Spalding was driving his car across 301 from a service station and Harrell was driving his motor cycle north on 301 when their vehicles collided. Damage to the car was \$140 and to the motorcycle \$150.

Jimmie Lee Hunt, 22, of Fairmont, route 1, sustained a back injury in an accident at 4:45 p.m. Thursday, 5.7 miles west of Fairmont on the Dillon road. Pt. D. O. Pearce reported Hunt was driving north at high speed when he lost control of the car on a curve and it ran off to the right, hit a ditch and overturned into a school-bus parked 22 feet off the road. The bus was parked in the yard of the Sam M. Britt residence. The car was damaged \$300.

Auto theft was charged to James Townsend of Richmond, Va., after an accident at 8 p.m. Thursday, for miles east of Red Springs on Buie road. Pt. John Creech reported Townsend was driving west when he lost control of the car in a curve and it stripped a bridge railing and then overturned in a swamp. Damage was \$600. Townsend was charged with reckless driving, driving without a license, and larceny of a car owned by Universal Motor company of Richmond.

Damage was estimated at \$230 to the car of Jack M. Price of Lumberton in an accident at 12:45 a.m. Friday, two miles east of Maxton on highway 74. Pt. J. S. Jones reported Price was driving east when his car struck a mule. Owner of the mule, valued at \$40, was not learned.

Inquest Set In Cigaret Killing

An inquest has been scheduled at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in St. Pauls into the death of Sammy Gillis, 20-year-old Negro of Parkton, route 1, who allegedly was shot to death by his brother, William Thomas Gillis, 22, in an argument over a cigarette.

Deputy Sheriff Earl Hendrix said the shooting occurred Friday at the home of the boys' father, Willie Gillis. He said the two got into an argument over a cigarette and William shot Sammy in the left side of the face and head with a 12 gauge shotgun.

State Patrolman Jack Cardwell, who lived nearby, was immediately summoned to the scene, Hendrix said, and had difficulty wresting the gun from William and preventing him from further shooting. He said William had been drinking heavily but didn't know whether Sammy had been drinking.

Coroner D. W. Biggs empaneled the following to serve on the inquest jury: Earl Brit, George Dardin, L. E. Rea, Sam Lamb, Shelton Odum and Woodrow Blackburn.

Overdone Barbecue

A shed protecting the barbecue pit at Britt's Drive-in on East Second street was destroyed by fire about 2:20 p.m. Friday.

Fire Chief E. J. Glover said pigs were being cooked in the pit when grease dripping from them ignited and caused burning of the shed.

Two other calls were answered but none involving damage.

First came at 5:30 p.m. Saturday to a point on Mill street where a grass fire threatened the Dryden mill building.

Another call came at 7 a.m. Sunday to the home of John C. Meshaw, 504 East 15th street, where an oil heater had flooded.

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danger involved, a plea which had been previously made to Cole at his Marion, S. C., home.

The group of klansmen's cars was gathered in the middle of the field and they went ahead with installing a public address system and lights. Spectators began to move in and the group was soon surrounded by a ring of cars, virtually all occupied by Indians. As time for the meeting (8:30) approached tension mounted and two of the armed spectators moved in on the microphone and a shot from a rifle knocked out the light. That served as the signal and hundreds of shots were fired in the air.

The shooting had barely begun when tear gas was dropped into the center of the disturbance, dispersing the crowd. A brisk breeze quickly dissipated this as some 16 highway patrolmen and as many deputy sheriffs appeared and began disarming klansmen and spectators alike. Shooting continued from the fringes of the area, but in about 20 minutes all was quiet as officers loaded two patrol cars with confiscated weapons, and got traffic quickly on the move.

Sheriff McLeod explained that it was impossible to make an arrest prior to an actual violation of the law. Rumors of violence would not justify a warrant. He added that during the disarming of the klansmen and of the spectators his aim or death and that collection of firearms as rapidly as possible made it impossible to take time for formalities of arrest at the time.

Several news and TV men were injured and a number of cars were damaged; none of the personal injuries was serious. Most spectators were sitting in cars parked on the adjoining highway and cameramen dived for ditches or the protection of parked cars.

Shortly, events moved to Pembroke where residents gathered to witness the burning in effigy of Reverend Cole and to see the remains of his public address system and big KKK banner which were on display.

Mayor J. C. Oxendine said the loud-speaking system abandoned by the Klan at the proposed meeting grounds has been removed to Pembroke for safe keeping and will be returned to the owner when he calls for it.

"We tried to keep the shooting in the air," a participant said, "but if the klansmen could have been identified I don't know what would have happened." Only one robe did appear and that was worn by an armed man prior to the meeting. It disappeared.

Cole managed to escape after pleading for protection for his wife and children. For several hours after the affair he was rumored missing, but has been contacted at his South Carolina home. He plans no more meetings here in the next few weeks, he said. And he charges that he was not given the protection he should have had.

The mounting excitement was sparked by two cross burnings which Lumberton police called a childish prank, but which was reported by a newsman who was invited to attend as a demonstration against Indians living in a white community. Cole had denied this and has sought to relieve himself of blame, saying the demonstrations protested interracial social activities.

That the excitement was unnecessary is evidenced by the revelation that the cross burned in East Lumberton was burned, by mistake, at the wrong house, one occupied by whites.

5 Burglaries Net 'Peanuts'

A string of five burglaries over the past few days are under investigation by Lumberton Police department.

Willie Pope reported that the Brown Derby drive-in had been entered Thursday night and the juke box moved into the kitchen where an attempt to pry it open failed.

Grover Inman reported that the same night, Inman Brothers Sheet Metal company on South Walnut street had been entered through a front door, but two side doors were also open. Cracker and drink vending machines had been broken open and about \$25 taken.

Lumberton Bakery reported Friday morning that a small container for collection of coins for the March of Dimes had been taken but the amount of money was not known.

Durham Lewis reported that his blue suede jacket was stolen from Riverside Lunch sometime during business hours Saturday night.

L. Z. Hayes reported that Kash and Karry grocery on Fairmont road had had the locked pried off the front door Wednesday night but no theft was reported.

UPPER NEXT MONTH

Three quintets currently rated among the top 12 teams in the nation will appear on the Wake Forest cage slate next month. Maryland invades Memorial Coliseum on Feb. 8, North Carolina on Feb. 13 and Temple on Feb. 19. The other remaining home foe for Coach Bones McKinney's crew is Duke, scheduled for a Feb. 1 appearance.

Lumbee Indians

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eyes, a feature possessed by no other tribe.

The descendants from White's Colony and the friendly Indians migrated to what is now Lumber River because of the abundance of game, the mildness of the climate, and the absence of unfriendly Indians. These people have scattered over Robeson and adjacent territory and here may be found their great trails, such as the Lowry Road, near which have been found numerous large burial mounds, the skulls of which were of caucasian type, with cranial development far in excess that of the pure Indian.

It is a fact that the names of these Indians are English and that they are names which appear on the list of names of White's Lost Colony. Sampson, Brooks, Chavis, Lucas and others appear on this list. Old English words dating back to the days of Chaucer, such as hit for it, aks for ask, housen for house, nom for man and many other examples. When the whites first came, many Indians were found with blue eyes and auburn hair, living in English type houses and practicing the arts and crafts of modern civilization.

It is well known that there were Indians in Robeson who owned land and slaves prior to the Revolution and they joined with the patriots and received some of the best land in the county for their services. Before 1885, the Indians did not have separate schools and would not attend the negro schools. Their educational status went from bad to worse. In 1885 the Indians were given a separate racial status, a roster of the race was prepared and separate schools were set up. Since that time the Indians have made progress in leaps and bounds, not only in education, but in many other ways, rivaled only by members of their own group in Robeson County. Contributions have been made by members of their group in all phases of life. Many have gone into the ministry, some into the field of medicine, law, nursing, teaching, forestry, meteorology, music, carpentry, business, professional soldiers, et cetera. They enjoy the finest reputation as farmers in the entire county of Robeson.

For the most part the Indian people are very religious, honest, courageous, cooperative, ambitious, economic, thrifty, and trustworthy.

Since and because of the fact that they are a minority group, they have suffered unmercifully in the past at the hands of exploiters, shrewd heartless politicians and unscrupulous tongue lashers.

How has a group made such strides of progress against such tall odds, and why can so many fine things be said about a people who have had so many bad things said of them? Regardless to what is done or said, the Indian people have a keen sense of pride in their own welfare, which of necessity must be, because of their harsh treatment over the years.

Robeson county, for many years regarded the largest of the one hundred counties of the great state of North Carolina, has the distinction of inclosing within its bounds a people in whose veins course a mixture of blood from the best which the English, with all its cultural background and rich heritage had, mixed with the friendliness, frugality and wit of a people whose existence depended on their individual ingenuity for many long years, in the wilderness of America. Contrary to a popular belief in this county, they are proud of such a heritage and justly so. Truly, if America were a melting pot, the Indians of Robeson county must have been one of the choicest dishes.

God forbid that we should boast, lest we fail. We shall continue to follow the course of honesty, upright living, and hard work, and look for a rewarding and bountiful return. Truly, we are in a position to bask in the sunlight of the Great White God of the English, and at the same time, enjoy the Happy Hunting Ground of the Great Spirit, whose streams are full of fish and whose woods abound in endless game.

Klan Flees

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who had stayed up too far past regular bedtime were sleeping it off.

For the future, the general idea seems to be that everybody had such a good time they will attend any possible future Klan meetings in Robeson county in large numbers. But if nothing else prevents a repetition of Saturday night, a warrant the sheriff is issuing charging Cole with inciting to riot ought to do it.

Rumor in Pembroke says that a member of Pembroke Town Board and a Pembroke business man, Raymond Hendrix, is a member of the Klan. Mr. Hendrix vigorously denied any basis for the rumor and said that there was no more earnest opponent of the Klan than himself.

In the same spot is a Route salesman who has been serving Pembroke for years, with headquarters in Lumberton; Paisley Britt has been accused of Klan affiliation and he, too, vigorously denies any connection, ever, with the KKK or any similar organization.

Deaths And Funerals

Mrs. Rosella Carter

BLADENBORO — Funeral services for Mrs. Rosella Carter, 78, who died Thursday at Chadbourn, route 2, were held Saturday afternoon at three o'clock from Oakdale Baptist church by the Rev. Richard McDuffee, pastor, assisted by the Rev. James Wilson. Burial followed in Greenlawn cemetery at Chadbourn.

She is survived by three sons, London Carter of Chadbourn, route 2, Jessie Carter of Bladenboro, Luther Carter of Lumberton; three daughters, Mrs. W. A. Bass of Chadbourn, Mrs. J. A. Brown of Chadbourn, Mrs. Haynes Vause of Clarkton; 32 grandchildren.

Mrs. Eula M. Jackson

ST. PAULS — Funeral services for Mrs. Eula Mae Jackson, wife of H. J. Jackson, who died Saturday at her home on Hope Mills, route 1, are being conducted this afternoon at three o'clock from Second Baptist church, St. Pauls, with burial in Oak Ridge Cemetery. The Rev. W. J. Lynch is to officiate.

Survivors are her husband; three sons, Neill Jackson, Route 2 St. Pauls, John Jackson, St. Pauls, Henry Jackson Jr., of Fayetteville four daughter, Mrs. L. L. Polston of Fayetteville, Mrs. Ed Lytle and Mrs. Clyde Faircloth, both of near St. Pauls and Mrs. Memory Herring, route 5, Lumberton; one brother, Dougald Hall of Charlotte.

Mrs. Martha Rozier

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha Prevatte Rozier, 59, of Lumberton, were held Friday at 3 p.m. in the Clybourn Baptist church of which she was a member. Officiating ministers were Rev. E. L. Coleman and Rev. Clyde Simpson. Burial was in the Prevatte cemetery near the church.

Mrs. Rozier died Tuesday afternoon of a heart attack in Leigh Memorial hospital in Norfolk, Va., where she underwent surgery the Friday before, and where she had been a patient for about ten days. She had been a patient for about a week in Robeson County Memorial hospital before transferring to the Norfolk hospital to be near her children.

Pallbearers were Boyd Scarborough, Charles Britt, Robert Prevatte, Linwood Smith, Bill Wilkins and Delton Nobles.

Mrs. Ben Wooten was in charge of the flowers.

Albert Overstreet

Albert Overstreet, 45, of 416 Columbia avenue, East Lumberton, died suddenly about 11 a.m. Saturday enroute from his home to the hospital, apparently from a heart attack. He was pronounced dead on arrival at the hospital.

The funeral will be conducted at 4 p.m. today in Full Gospel Tabernacle by Rev. M. A. West. Burial will be in New Hollywood cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Myrtle Overstreet; a son, Buddy Overstreet of Lumberton, route 2; and five daughters, Hazel, Hilda, Louise, Mammie and Nancy Overstreet, all of the home.

10 Bullets Kills Uncle Who Slaps

LUMBER BRIDGE — Hubert Barton, 38, of Lumber Bridge, was fatally wounded with 10 rifle bullets in the back of his head, allegedly fired by his nephew, about 9 p.m. Sunday.

Sheriff Malcolm G. McLeod said Delton Oxendine, 17, has been jailed in Lumberton and is being held for grand jury action in Robeson Superior court today.

Sheriff McLeod said Oxendine, who had lived with his uncle at Lumber Bridge, route 1, for about 10 years, got into an argument with his uncle and Barton slapped him.

Oxendine then got the rifle from a back room, the sheriff said, took it outside and fired it twice, then came back into the house and fired the 10 shots into Barton's head.

Hit-Run Driver Injures Man, 69

OKDALE — A 69-year-old man — James W. (Jim) Bass of Fairmont, route 1 — was seriously injured when struck by a hit and run car just before noon Sunday.

He is in Robeson Memorial hospital in just fair condition with both legs broken and a fractured right shoulder.

The State Highway Patrol is seeking the driver of the car, who did not stop, and this morning there was a report that a suspect had been arrested but this could not be confirmed.

A reporter at the scene said Bass, who lives with his son, Albert Bass here, was walking along Rowland road to a service station to get candy and drinks for a sick grandchild when the car struck him.

Patrolmen reportedly have several clues by which to identify the car and driver when apprehended.