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THE ALMA TIMES

Alma, Bacon CO, Georgia

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PROMINENT CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Mr. B. N. Medders, of near Rockingham, a pioneer citizen passed away Saturday night the 24th.

He had been in declining health for some time, through going to his work a few days before death, which was due to Lumbago. He has been a resident of this section for a long term of years and formerly owned and operated the largest mercantile business in this section. He leaves a large estate, having accumulated a fortune in lands, gins, machinery, sawmills, stock and investments. Bacon county loses a valuable citizen and a good man than cannot be replaced. He was a scholar and gentleman of the "Old School," who knew but to treat his fellowman right.

Mr. Medders was ever ready to accommodate anyone needing help and to contribute to charity. Of sunny disposition and a great lover of children. Hordes of children knew and loved "Uncle Ben." And at the time of his death had made application to secure a child from the Georgia Orphanage and give it a home with him to share as his own.

He was 56 years old and is survived by his wife, his mother, one son B. B. Medders and five daughters, Misses Elizabeth, Minnie, Cilla and Ethel and Mrs. Mamie Barlow, Mrs. Ellen Thomas and Mrs. Delia McDonald all of Bacon county.

He was buried at Big Creek cemetery last Sunday. The Times joins a host of friends in extending heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

(Taken from the Alma Times at Waycross, by Sisco Deen)