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Keen of wit and humor, tolerant and kind, he was, in point of service as well as in age, The News and Herald's oldest and most widely-read correspondent. He began writing for the paper upon the death of Dr. McKinstry, some forty-odd years ago, and his first contributions were made when Dr. James H. Thornwell was editor.

Mr. Camak was twice married, first to Miss Lou Meadors of Laurens county and after her death to Miss Carlous Pagett of Lykesland. Besides his widow, he is survived by two sons, the Rev. David English Camak of Marion, N. C., and Marion Boyd Camak, superintendent of the Ware Shoals schools; four daughters, Mrs. B. E. Lyles of Winnsboro; Mrs. A. M. Blair and Mrs. M. R. Robertson of Fairfield County and Mrs. Henry Blair of Columbia. He also leaves 19 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. His oldest son, Paschal Young Camak, died in infancy; another son, Thomas Charles Camak, Jr., died in 1935.

Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. R. L. Hall, assisted by the Rev. H. Lester Kingman and the Rev. R. O. Burges of Spartanburg, were held Monday afternoon from the Bethel Methodist church and interment was in the church cemetery.

Pall bearers were Ed Blair, Lester Robinson, Pitts Camak, Meadors Camak, Tom Lyles, Tom Blair, Clarence Lackey and English Lyles.

Winnsboro, S. C., July 13, 1944

T. C. CAMAK DIES AT HOME

Well - Known Farmer And Writer Passes At Age of 89, After Brief Illness.

Thomas Charles Camak, 89, died at his home in lower Fairfield County (Mossy Dale) Sunday morning at three o'clock. He



THOMAS CHARLES CAMAK
1855-1944

had been in declining health for more than six months and critically ill for one week.

The son of David Young Camak and Mary Jane Robinson Camak, he was born in the Lebanon section of Fairfield May 11, 1855 and he spent virtually his entire long and useful life in this county. When he was four years old the family moved to the present home site.

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DEATH OF MRS. LYLES.

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Allow me space in THE NEWS AND HERALD to chronicle the death of Mrs. Wm. C. Lyles, which took place in this county, near Greenbrier Church, on the 6th of September, ultimo. Just two months before this, her beloved husband and then soon after that her now-born infant preceded her to the better land. Born and reared in a Christian family, Mrs. Lyles not only accepted the tenets of the Christian religion, but led such a life as to make her an "Epistle known and read of all." Like Job she had many trials and sufferings, but like that servant of God, she bore them all with marvellous patience, uttering no word of complaint. A devoted wife, an affectionate mother, an earnest, consecrated Christian, her untimely death brought grief and sadness to many hearts.

Three orphan children survive her. Gazing on these, some may ask, why has the Lord so done, yet in mercy hath he done it all. May the God of the orphan be their God and their guide, and when life's work is done, permit them to meet their sainted father and mother beyond the river where all is life, peace and love.

E. G. S.

Funeral Service at O'Clock Sunday After- noon at Shandon Church. 9/19/37

Mrs. Frances Carolina Powell, 74, of Columbia, widow of J. W. Powell, died suddenly at 2 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. L. McIntosh, in Winston-Salem, N. C., where she was visiting.

Funeral services will be held at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon from Shandon Methodist church in Columbia, conducted by the Rev. J. R. T. Major, pastor, assisted by the Rev. B. F. Morris and the Rev. W. B. Garrett.

Mrs. Powell moved to Columbia about 45 years ago from Monticello. She attended Columbia College as a girl. She was a charter member of Shandon Methodist church and was one of the organizers of the church and of the Women's Missionary society. The Women's Bible class of the church was named for her—Frances Powell class.