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## The Last Pauper

Passed down, as best I can tell it, the story goes that one of the school younguns at the same old school here in Sowell got the facts mixed up on a story for one of them books the school puts out about old-timers in the county knowed to have done something first, or something last, or something worth recording, which nobody can't get straightened out after fifty years or so goes by, and by than it don't matter to a bunch of younguns but does to a lot of old folks who set great store in their good name and don't take kindly to somebody putting down in writing what ain't the fact but what makes a right good story, and it didn't make Ray Lewis Evans want no less to beat Bubba Carter's backend for getting the facts mixed up and telling that Ray Lewis's own mama - who everybody knows was a fine upstanding woman in Duran County - werent put away by the county, but was put away by her own loving family and somehow ended up - God knows how - being remembered as the last pauper.

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Cause here's how it went, according to Lay Teurs, who everybody knows would come a sight closer to tilty the truth them Buble Carter, who might be would a light and would mere your mener mener mouth the board political but were your mouth of the political but were your mothing but a lot of hot our, and who had the Sales and survey swear the own I never told that youngen that Miss amarette was to last payper, haden fact told the that exactly how him & Ray Sewir & the rest we then wer standing around inthe country and that summer morning when their travelle come runny up and breath and tolk hollered the out that Oldman Leed was found dead at the matters factory - which weren't me foctory but a know the down old home in the river where he made a right five cotton mattress I sold what weren's stole by that thering Clute Titen, who put a new matters on every bed in his homestaken he broke in one night + rolled en eyp, one by me carrie en of home the he got drunk, which wer opten - hig old lady Brunell) hoppeny by with her drove gold does the the window of popping over to Misstandrettes to tell ha the bod news, which of course the run straight way to tell wholmer tometofirety at which Bubba sets right in to meling arrangements for the country to put the non tell away since he didn'y have no being cause that 's how Bubba made his reputation as the undertaken that is what they called him - cause he was always the one looking to the count to put out for every traffer looper come up to set up hovekeeping they both sell us sondhing that most of the time we didn't have no use for no how but the Thirs another send to done a service for our community and we bout as well see to putty them

away decent, like we done every body dre and dich y the have mother better to do notion than stand around with love hards in Brund wer peter while him arette run jor hely, like any Christian would, beering a dish pan diche and a brank tuh offelother to dur all the way from the across the word from the maltren factory furt to tell the bunch of corry men stonly around Jouring, and that's how rungs get storted in the first places men - inf you ask her which they didn't, but they did commerce to make runnying they, as usual, and globy he just love it when he could get something going her close-set blue sejen taking en a unwatural seems because for a fact nothing much don't happen around here hit every once in a blue moon, nothing that in that would do to bring out in the often, and sendy normally Bubba war ents that but there time he swore up and down he did start that worther languages to he were up and down he did start worther languages. They 'dhave to wite them another look, They'd have to the last pamper. Sather up ever last one of them everlasting books they could lay hall to and get shed of them and make and up a brush more to est the fact straights, which was that ald man Leel want last Sauper and had die right and gurt dicerto to that name and pot mus amaratte who give I kid & take from the county not me in her while life, and had a night to be remembered as a fine up-standy woman in the community who didn'y do nothy but her duty by running down there that morning of

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