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The Durham Colored Library

There is no institution in Dur-
ham more deserving of support
than the Durham Colored Library.
For more than 25 years this in-
stitution has made its contribu-
tion to the cultural side of Negro
Durham most adverse circum-
stances.

Hampered by too little space
as well as under-paid employees,
Durham's only colored library
serves thousands of children and
grownups each year. The Carolina
Times commends those who have
contributed time and money to
the successful operation of a
Negro library in Durham. They
have done well and should re-
ceive the praise of all Durham
citizens.

But Durham ought not be sat-
isfied with operating a fairly
good library under adverse cir-
cumstances. Durham leads in
many things, and a library that
is not equal to those operated in
other cities of the country should
not be tolerated by a group of
people who have so many out-
standing business and profession-
al men in it as Durham. The
Durham Colored Library needs a

new building and more money in
order that it may make a bigger
contribution to the cultural side
of life in our city.

The source from which the
money should come is not a ques-
tion to be debated in these col-
umns. We are satisfied to leave
that particular side of the ques-
tion in the hands of those more
acquainted with financing librar-
ies. We do suggest however that
a more equitable share of the
money appropriated for libraries
in Durham will prevent some of
the bitterness which is sure to
arise when it is discovered that
the right thing is not being done
for the local library operated for
Durham colored citizens.

It has been said that the pro-
gress of a community may be
determined by its churches, librar-
ies, schools and hospitals. Judged
by our colored public schools and
very little progress in the last
25 years.

The Carolina Times calls on
all Durham to render our col-
ored library more financial as well
as moral support.

CRIME STARTS AGAIN

With the advent of the winter
season crime maybe expected to
begin its bloody reign in the city
of Durham. The lull in murders
which has existed during the
summer months may expect to
take a decided turn for the worse
within the next 30 days.

Crime will march in Durham,
blood will be spilled in Durham,
as it always the case when winter
comes. Already the criminal has
started his bloody reign. Last
week brought a toll of one dead
from being stabbed, while another
is in the hospital. In several
of Durham's Negro section there
occurred last week fights or near
fights which might have been de-
veloped into cuttings or shootings
exacting a deadly toll.

What is Durham going to do
about crime? How can local citi-
zens combat this ruthless flow of
blood? Why does the percentage
of crime decrease in the summer
and increase in the winter, The
Carolina Times believes the answer
to the last question can be
found in the fact that there are
more places of amusement for
members of the race during the
summer months than during the
winter months. Baseball, the rec-
ent erection of a swimming
pool, free moving pictures and
other outdoor activities we be-
lieve are conducive to a lessening
of crime among Negroes.

There are very few, if any,
places of wholesome amusement
for Negroes in Durham during the
winter months. In addition the
poverty of the Negro makes it
necessary for him to economize
by housing from two to four
families in places where only
one should live. Likewise the
houses are usually poorly con-
structed and located on streets
which are unpaved and poorly
lighted. All of these conditions
are breeders of crime.

Durham ought to do what other
cities are doing. Durham ought
to begin a slum clearance move-
ment. Aid of the Federal Govern-
ment should be sought toward
bettering the housing condition
of the underprivileged, as well
as those who are more fortunate.
Durham should provide whole-
some recreation for all of its citi-
zens the year round.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all of my friends
for the many kindnesses shown
me and the sympathy expressed
during the illness and death of
my beloved husband, William
Mack Holmes, who departed this
life, Friday September 24, 1937,
at his home 118 Hillside Ave.,
Durham, North Carolina.
ETTA HOLMES

Kelly Miller
Writes..

The colored race is now going
to school in larger numbers than
at any time since emancipation.
The registration of September
1937, will top the enrollment in
all grades, from the kindergarten
to the university. Entrants
of college grade will reach an
all time high, over 2,000 of whom
will be graduated four years
from now, while perhaps as many
more will fall by the way with
uncompleted college education.
The facilities, faculties, and stan-
dards of instruction of Negro col-
leges are far superior to what
they have been in past years. An
increasing number of colored
students are entering northern
colleges and universities having
ideal equipment, standards, and
tradition.

Four years from now the
voice of the commencement ora-
tor and the baccalaureate
preacher will be resounding thro
out the land. A generation ago
graduates were urged to go out
into the world imbued with the
missionary spirit to serve their
race and country, day and genera-
tion. They were inspired not
only to devote themselves to the
upliftment of their race in this
land, but to carry the learning
and enlightenment to their dark
brethren in Africa, who still bowed
down to "stock and stone" in
their ignorance and blindness.
Every college-bred man felt him-
self to be a "chosen" person,
ready to respond to the Macedo-
nian cry wherever that call might
be heard. The northern mission-
aries, who had planted these col-
leges, had, also, implanted the
spirit of sacrifice and service in
the minds of the graduates.

But, alas, how different today.
The cold, calculating demands of
a practical age has changed all
this. The spirit of sacrifice, altru-
ism, and enthusiasm for human-
ity has faded all but the vanishing
point. Thirty years ago I
heard President Wilbur P. Third-
field, in his first baccalaureate
discourse at Howard University,
urge the young graduates to "go
South", and make themselves ra-
diant centers of life and light in
the bedarkened nooks and corners
of the Southland. His listeners
heard him respectfully, if not
convincingly. Twenty years later,
I listened to another president
from the same platform, in pious
tone and eloquent plea, advise
the graduate to seek their field
of work in one room log school-
houses in "varzoo bottoms", and
thus, fulfill the law of lowly serv-
ice; to wit, "He who would be
great among you, let him be your
servant." But his hearers had
grown so hardened and indiffer-
ent to such sermonic admonitions
that the advice was received
with thinly disguised ridicule
and disgust.

During the intervening decade
something like 3,000 graduates
from this premier Negro univer-
sity, have been sent out into the
world, not one of whom has heed-
ed this advice unless forced to do
so by stern compulsion of neces-
sity. A baccalaureate sermon be-
longs to the Middle Ages in our
educational history. Like the but-
tons on the back of a frock coat

they serve as the decorative re-
minder of a time when they were
useful to hold up the sword belt,
but when men ceased to wear
swords they lost their utility, and
survived merely as an adorn-
ment. The sermonic appeal of
the baccalaureate discourse falls
upon deaf ears and dull heart,
and fully illustrates what St.
Paul meant by the "foolishness
of preaching." Each graduate to-
day is motivated by the pay-roll
appeal. To him the call is loudest
where the pay is the largest.
Higher education may well be de-
scribed as "higher" education.
The present-day college course
is but a gateway to vocational
opportunity, and the college dip-
loma is but a certificate of ad-
mission to the world's work. The
graduate may have his A. B., his
M. A., and his Ph. D., and yet he
yearns for a P.W.A.

The moral idealism of yester-
day has given way to the practical
demand of a money-mad age.
He imposes upon himself a heavy
responsibility who assumes to
dampen the ardor and high as-
pirations of the college entrant
by forecasting the time when he
shall stand on the commencement
platform with shinning diploma
in his hand, but no employment
in sight. And yet, to be forewarn-
ed is to be forearmed. His
perfidious zeal and enthusiasm
must sooner or later be sobered
by the stern realities of life: per-
haps, the sooner, the better.
Whatever disappointments the
enthusiastic collegian may meet
with further down the road, he
will be better off with his col-
lege diploma than without it, for
an academic degree is becoming
increasingly a prerequisite for
any higher tasks above the level
of common toil. There is the un-
derlying consoling moral thought
that by reason of the racial mass
to which he is indissolubly bound
every Negro aspirant must lift
as he climbs.

The iron is no hot that I must
give it another stroke in my
next release.

KELLY MILLER

KNOXVILLE COLLEGE WINS
OVER MORRISTOWN 38-0

One of the big factors in the
lopsided score was the superior
punting done by Lowry of Knox-
ville. The Bulldogs gained yards
and yards on exchange of kicks.

The Knoxville grid machine
looked rather crude to your re-
porter as the work was alarming-
ly individualistic. The forward
wall had power but no smooth-
ness. Blocking and interference
were absent all too often.

Social Notes

WISTARIA CLUB OPENING

The Wistaria Bridge club had
their opening meeting Monday
night October the 4th, with the
president Mrs. Charity Rivera at
her home on Umstead St. Covers
were laid for four tables of con-
tract bridge.

After several pleasant progr-
essions, the scores were counted
the highest score being made by
Mrs. Peripa Watkins, and the
second highest score by Mrs.
Maggie Kennedy. Mrs. Emma
Leathers was awarded the guest
prize. A delicious salad course
was served by the hostess.

Members present were Mes-
dames Paul Cordice, Lil Davis,
Eselle Dunlap, Eva Goins, Mag-
gie Kennedy, Maud Logan, Ida
McCoy, Bessie Mills, Charity Ri-
vera, Mamie Spaulding, Mary
Shepard, Dottie Williams and
Perepa Watkins.

Mesdames Minnie Ford and
William Milum visited Mrs. L. B.
Perkins in Salisbury last week-
end.

MISS WINSTON HONORED

A surprise birthday party was
given on Wednesday evening of
last week by Miss Ethel Winston
in honor of her sister Miss Nina
Winston. The guests enjoyed a
delicious repast of ice cream,
made in shape of a cake decora-
ted with blue and white garden
flowers, cake and punch. Miss
Winston was presented a lovely
corsage of white and pink roses
as well as many beautiful and
useful gifts.

The invited guests were Misses
Clare Ell Winston, Rachel Per-
ry, Bertha Mae Thomas, Mary
Longly, Eldora Meeks, also Mes-
dames Sarah Mae Daniel, Ona
Thomas, R. O. Brown, J. H. Ful-
ler, and Alma Lester. Also Mes-
srs. E. J. Richmond, Ed Tay-
lor, R. F. Woods, R. G. Low, J.

The backfield, light and fast
throughout, looks encouraging.
Cliff Wilson, junior, who had not
shown anything spectacular to
date, broke loose against Morris-
town and was easily the outstand-
ing man on the field. He carried
the ball over for three scores.
Shelton, Wood, and Madison ap-
peared consistent in picking up
yardage. Wood tallied twice and
Madison once.

Coach Davis of Morristown is
to be complimented on a scrappy
team—game to the last play.
They fought hard and gave all
they had against overwhelming
odds in reserve strength. Out-
standing for Morristown were
Captain Watkins, who plays a
guard position, Hemphill and
Smith in the backfield.

TAMPA FLOGGERS—

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Tampa hospital shortly after
a result of injuries sustained.
The defendants are C. A.

Brown, Jr., Sam E. Crosby, F.
W. Switzer, C. W. Carlisle, and
John Bridges, all former Tampa
policemen; and A. F. Gillian, Jas.
Dean, and Ed Spivey, KKK flog-
gers' from Orlando.

DEATHS

James McQuais died at the
age of 49, at his home, 1404 Hal-
ley Street on October 1. He was
survived by his wife, three daugh-
ters, and four sons. Burial was
in the Beechwood Cemetery.

Miss Alice Garner died on
September 28 at her home on
Umstead St. She was 61 years
old. She leave a host of friends
to mourn her loss. Burial was in
Mebane.

Jessie McGill of 511 Elm St.
died on September 25 at the age
of 31. She is survived by a bro-
ther and two sisters. Interment
was in Monroe, N. C.

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WITH A KICK TO 'EM
THE KICK-OFF STARTS WITH
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game! You'll like everything about them...
they are sleek, simple models for every day
time wear and more formal models for inter-
esting afternoons. You'll approve the high
riding model and you'll find the colors or
the multicolors to give your foot flattery
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Roofs That Baffle Time
When Trinity Church in New
York was built in 1846 it was
roofed with copper. The roof is
still there—and hasn't cost ten
cents for upkeep or repairs in
almost a century. Still, it is an
infant among copper roofs. There
are at least parts of a copper roof
on Hildesheim Cathedral, Ger-
many, that date back to 1320.
St. James' Palace, London, has
a copper roof in an excellent
state of preservation although it
is more than 400 years old. Other
copper roofs centuries old are
known.
When you roof with copper you
get durability, plus. But you also
get other advantages. A copper
roof is water tight, fire proof
and relatively light in weight. It
weathers to a beautiful green that
grows in attractiveness with in-
creasing age. It is easily installed
and most economical over the
years. It has a high salvage value
if a building is razed. And it is now
available at a first cost that makes
it practicable for even the small
home.
Indeed, such homes may now
be roofed with copper at a cost
one-third less than the former
cost. This has been made possible
by the production of an economy
copper roofing weighing 10 ounces
per square foot instead of the cus-
tomary 16 ounces. Narrowing the
sheets of the lighter roofing to bring
the seam spacing into harmony
with smaller roof areas prevents
any sacrifice of strength, rigidity
and wind resistance. The lighter
sheets, being more workable, are
more easily and quickly installed.
Thus labor costs are reduced.
This economy copper roofing,
preferably installed with 18-ounce
copper for flashings, gutters and
downspouts, will give the small
home permanent roof protection.
Why not roof with copper, and
roof once?
Better Than Feather Beds
It doesn't do any good to be
jittery about lightning. On the
other hand, a wholesome respect for
lightning is a good thing. It de-
stroys a good many million dollars
worth of property in this country
every year and kills some 500
people. It follows that the protec-
tion of the home against lightning
is a sensible precaution.
Lightning strikes a building be-
cause the building offers it a shorter
and easier path to the ground than
the air offers. But the house with-
out lightning protection does not
offer so easy a path that it is not
likely to be set afire or badly da-
maged by the bolt. The thing to do,
then, is to equip the house with
such an easy, comfortable path for
the lightning if it strikes the
house, that it will travel to the
ground by way of that path and
let the rest of the house alone.
That is the function of the light-
ning rod. It is not necessary, how-
ever, that the lightning rod should
be the ugly, conspicuous thing
that it used to be. It is possible
now to obtain lightning protection
that is concealed within the walls
or framework of the house and yet
is rated sound and efficient by
the Fire Underwriters. Even the
highest parts along the roof and
about the chimneys are concealed
so that the looks of the house
are in no wise marred.
Certified lightning protection not
only yields the house owner peace
of mind but it also entitles him, in
most states, to lower fire insur-
ance rates. So it is an investment
that the house owner should care-
fully consider.
Security For Screens
It won't be long now before you
must begin to undo some of the
work that you did last spring. Aw-
nings must be taken down, for in-
stance, and screens removed from
windows and doors. If you have
full length window screens—as I
hope you have, since they alone
can assure you of flyless days and
mosquitoless nights—they give you
a bit of a storage problem.
Where do you keep them: in the
cellar or the attic?
They ought to be stored in a dry
place. If you have to keep them in
the cellar and if your cellar is not
bone-dry, a wholesome respect for
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Sunshine-catching is just one of
many virtues of these curtains.
They're highly fashionable these
days, giving windows a well-
decorated appearance and loads of
charm. In the stores you can
find one fascinating design after
another in lace net curtains, rang-
ing from the very fine, very dainty
types to the very rugged textures
or bold designs.
They are ready-made, all ready
to hang up at the windows, or you
can buy the lace net by the yard.
They wear well, too, and launder
like new—time and time again,
because they are made of ex-
cellent quality materials and are
woven and finished by expert
craftsmen in the American mills.
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upon your budget and your likes.
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