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103-YEAR-OLD GRANDMOTHER IS SLAIN 'SLIPPERY EEL' SLIPS; CAUGHT

'Lucky' Morris Nabbed At Local Bank Believed Much Hunted Burglar

ARTHUR "Lucky" Morris, 23-year-old young man of 998 Fayetteville street was arrested here this week by local police when he attempted to cash a Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company check at a local bank. Morris is believed by police to be the person responsible for the wave of burglaries that has swept over the city for the past several months.

Known to police as the "Slippery Eel" and to the underworld as "Lucky," it appears that both the "slipperiness" and the luck of Morris gave out at the same time.

Morris it has been learned who has been posing as a student of the North Carolina College was nabbed after a bank teller suspecting that the \$80 (eighty dollar) check which the alleged burglar attempted to cash was a stolen one. Policeman J. C. Haithcock together with detectives S. L. Woods and L. H. Owens made the arrest. Morris made no attempt to get away.

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LOUISIANA COP HITS 'AME DIGNITARY'

OAKDALE, La., Dec. 29.—(By Thos. J. Brown for ANF)—This benighted little city was the scene of an outrage committed by a white marshal upon a veteran minister and editor last Wednesday, when Roland Bass, marshal, assaulted Rev. J. H. Clayborn of Little Rock. Rev. Clayborn who is editor of the Southern Christian Recorder and a candidate for high office in the church was struck by the hill-billy officer when the minister tried to protect the dignity of the church, during a session of the Central Louisiana Annual Conference held at Greater Hays Chapel.

The marshal entered the church and forcing his way thru the 1200 churchmen and women near the entrance of the crowded auditorium, defying Bishop S. L. Green who was the presiding prelate, the presiding elders, pastors and laymen, and yelled out without any previous warning.

"Hyah, if you all don't get dem kyars offen dis highway, I'm going to close dis drive."

"I beg your pardon sir, said Rev. Clayborn, but this is no drive."

"What de hell you got to do wid it," demanded the marshal.

"I am a general officer and would have you know that this is an annual conference of the AME church and not a drive," said Rev. Clayborn.

"I don't give a damn who you are," said the marshal.

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N.C. Mutual President Says Save Money or Perish

This week, wedged as we are between a Merry Christmas and the prospects of a Prosperous New Year, individuals, churches, schools, businesses, and what not are seeking to balance their budget to see whether they are on the black or red ink side of the ledger. My advice to all of our people is to examine the inside of their own opportunities—whether they are preaching, teaching, working in service, selling, or life insurance. One job is just as important as the other. The main thing for all of us to consider is the way we do our work. All work is honorable whether it be shelling tobacco, placing labels on finished packages of cigarettes or smoking tobacco, digging foundations or putting the finishing touches on buildings; or whatever our vocation in life may be.

My experience, dating from the time I was a boy, has taught me that the only dishonorable work is that which is done in a slipshod-dishonorable way. My first job was washing dishes in a hotel. I washed those dishes with so much enthusiasm, speed, and cleanliness that the manager advanced me to that of head bellman, then to that of waiter, and finally I was tendered the headwaiter-ship of the hotel. Remember, I began at the bottom, the only place to make a real beginning, provided you decide when you start not to remain at the bottom—but to work your way up. My salary began at \$2.50 per week and all the food a dishwasher could convert to his own use. One of the secrets of my success, if there was a secret, was that I began saving a part of every dollar I earned and that is the subject I wish to discuss in this article—"The Thrift or Saving Habit."

With the opportunities afforded people today to earn money, I hope all of us will include a definite saving plan in our New Year's resolution and begin Monday, January third to either deposit in the Mechanics and Farmers Bank—Christmas Savings Department—or save through the Mutual Building and Loan Association, or secure adequate life insurance with the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co. These organizations have competent, honest personnel, who will gladly explain the different plans of saving.

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Ed Alston Confesses To Battering Head Of Aged Woman Last Thursday



ED ALSTON, local tobacco worker who has been charged with taking the life of Mrs. Jennie Wilkerson, 103-year-old resident of Piedmont Avenue. Alston will be tried for first degree murder at the next term of Durham County criminal court. Robbery has been attributed as the motive for the crime.

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MRS. JENNIE WILKERSON, aged grandmother who was beaten to death with a heavy stick of wood by Ed. Alston in Durham's latest and most horrible killing. Mrs. Wilkerson succumbed to her injuries within an hour after she is alleged to have been assaulted by Alston.

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The full which this city has enjoyed for the past several months from the commission of heinous crimes was broken here last Thursday afternoon when Mrs. Jennie Wilkerson, 103-year-old resident of Piedmont Ave. was beaten to death with a heavy stick of wood by Ed. Alston, 23-year-old tobacco worker. Miss Frances Elliott, 19-year-old granddaughter of the aged woman was also battered into unconsciousness by Alston, whose motive for the brutal crime is said to have been robbery.

Mrs. Wilkerson, who was not dead at the time she was found by a relative, was rushed to Duke hospital together with her granddaughter. The elderly lady died from a fractured skull in less than an hour after she had been admitted to the hospital. The latest reports, obtained by the Carolina Times from the physician in charge of Miss Elliott, are to the effect that her condition is still critical, and that although she has not yet gained total consciousness, she has an even chance of recovering.

Alston who was arrested Friday has already confessed to committing the crime according to police, and gave as robbery the motive for taking the life of the aged citizen.

At the time Alston battered Mrs. Wilkerson over the head with the stick of wood Miss Elliott was lying across a bed sleep. According to police, he struck her to prevent her from making an outcry.

It is believed that Alston must have seen Richard Holman, grandson of Mrs. Wilkerson give the elderly lady \$60 to keep for him earlier in the day, and that he returned when he knew the most of the other occupants of the home would be away with the intention of robbing Mrs. Wilkerson of the money.

The money was supposed to have been Christmas saving funds of the grandson. Alston stated that he only got \$10 from Mrs. Wilkerson.

It is alleged that when the accused was questioned by police as to why he committed the crime that he stated he wanted a new suit for Christmas.

Alston will doubtless be tried at the next term of criminal court here on a charge of first degree murder, robbery and an assault on Miss Elliott with intent to kill, provided the latter does not succumb to the injuries she sustained at the time the crime was committed.

Ebenezer Pastor Wins Prizes In Times Xmas Gift, Popularity Contest

The First Annual Popularity and Christmas Gift Contest staged by the Carolina Times closed here Wednesday afternoon with Rev. T. A. Grady pastor of Ebenezer Baptist church as the winner of the \$100 worth of merchandise offered by the merchants of Durham.

Rev. Grady who was catapulted three weeks ago to the top of the many ministers nominated in the contest maintained his lead throughout the remainder of the contest, and during the last three days ran away with the lead to poll a total of 26,995,000 votes.

Up until last week Rev. J. H. Thomas and Rev. W. H. Fuller had remained a threat to the perfect working machine which Rev. Grady had built during the campaign ran so smoothly the last few days that he outdistanced all opponents by a more than safe margin.

The management of the Carolina Times wishes to thank all of those who contributed to the success of the contest and to extend its congratulations to the winner of the prizes. It also

wishes to extend congratulations to those contestants who made it interesting by working so ardently to force the winner to go the limit in the contest.

The finest demonstration of sportsmanship was exhibited during the entire contest by all contestants. This spirit lasted even after the closing on Wednesday evening and was in evidence by the congratulations which were extended the winning contestant by the losers and their supporters.

The final and actual standing of all contestants is as follows:

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FINISHES AVIATION COURSE IN NEBRASKA

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 29.—(ANP)—Sidney Kennard, a native of British Guiana where his father is a government official, has just completed the course prescribed for a transport pilot after coming here in June, 1936, to study aviation. He plans to go to London, where he has a brother who has told him there are many opportunities open for aviators in England.

ROOSEVELT CONDEMNS RACIAL INTOLERANCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(CNA)—President Roosevelt this week condemned Hitler's and Mussolini's exploitation of differences in religion and race of peoples living in Germany and Italy. Although not openly calling the European countries by name, the text of the President's message to the National Congress of Jews and Christians left no doubt as to their identity.

"Instead of deploring the variety of racial strains and spiritual traditions which are an inherent part of our people," the statement said, "we welcome them as a token of freedom that we enjoy and believe that the common life is enriched by what each of these groups contributes."

Citing the democratic traditions of the United States, the President emphasized that "we are determined to maintain them."



The above picture are those of Rev. T. A. Grady (left), Rev. J. H. Thomas (center) and Rev. W. H. Fuller, the three highest candidates in the Carolina Times Popularity and Christmas Gift Contest. Rev. Grady is pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist church.



Rev. Thomas is pastor of the Mt. Vernon Baptist church and Rev. Fuller is pastor of the Good Hope Baptist church.



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ROBERT ROBINSON DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

ROBERT "Bub" Robinson, about 35 years ago. He was the well known brick mason of this city died at his home here 803 Mebane Street, Friday morning after an illness of about two weeks. Mr. Robinson's death was attributed to pneumonia. The deceased was 65 years of age at the time of his death.

Mr. Robinson was born in Con-

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