

# CHAPEL HILL GIRL COMMITS SUICIDE

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## 18-Year-Old Girl Arrested For Theft Hangs Self In Orange County Jail

(Special)  
CHAPEL HILL, Aug. 3rd.—A most all of the town of Chapel Hill was astir with the excitement surrounding the death of Mrs. Thelma McCauley who committed suicide Monday morning at 11:50 in the Carboro Jail. The young woman, who was just 18 years old hang herself with a piece of blanket torn from the bed in the cell and was found dead, hanging from the iron latticed cell top about an hour after she had been arrested on a charge of larceny.

Mrs. McCauley who is said to have attempted suicide several times during the past two years, was the only inmate in the little jail when she hanged herself.

Shortly after the discovery of the body, an examination was made by Doctors John S. Hooker, William Abernethy, E. E. Floyd and George E. Eason all of Chapel Hill. Coroner H. J. Walker and Deputy Duncan Neville, of Hillsboro, made and investigation and the jury which they called returned a verdict of suicide.

### REIDSVILLE FAMILY KILLED ON WAY TO CHURCH

REIDSVILLE, August 2nd.—(Special) As Roy Wilson, his wife and daughter were on their way to a union meeting at Shiloh Baptist church they were killed instantly when a train struck their car at the crossing just in front of the church. The car was completely demolished and the bodies badly mangled.

### HIGH POINT POLICEMAN SHOOTS NEGRO

(Staff Correspondent)  
HIGH POINT, August 3rd.—Willie Weaver is now in a High Point hospital being treated for a bullet wound which he received when shot by a policeman when he allegedly resisted arrest and attempt to attack the officer.

The officer was attempting to arrest him on charges of larceny and resisting arrest last week. After being chased for about three blocks Weaver is said to have turned on the officer and started the attack with rocks and bricks.

## Rev. Wells And Rev. Mason Get Free Trip To Atlantic City, N. J.

REIDSVILLE, August 2nd.—(Special)—The Reidsville ministers' Popularity contest conducted here for the past eight weeks by the Carolina Times closed a most successful campaign Tuesday with the biggest avalanche of ballots of the entire campaign. So great was the balloting that the Times office force spent nearly two days counting, and recording the results.

The final count showed Rev. Mason as the winner of the first prize a free roundtrip to Atlantic City with Hotel expenses paid, and Rev. W. L. P. I. Wells as the winner of second prize, a free round trip to Atlantic City.

The prizes will be awarded Friday evening by L. E. Austin editor of the Carolina Times, and W. A. Tuck, managing editor and circulation manager, according to announcement made here this week by W. F. Brown local representative of the Times. The public is cordially invited to attend the presentation program which will be held at the First Baptist Church Friday evening at 8:30.

### SUICIDE



Mrs. Thelma McCauley, 18-year old young woman of Chapel Hill, who hanged herself in the Carboro Jail Monday August 1. Mrs. McCauley, who is said to have attempted suicide several times before in the past two years was being held on charge of larceny and was the only inmate of the jail.

### TRAIN VICTIMS BURIED NEAR REIDSVILLE MONDAY

(By Tuck)  
REIDSVILLE, August 3rd.—Funeral services for the three persons killed when their automobile was struck by a south bound train on the Shiloh Baptist Church Crossing Near Reidsville were held Tuesday morning at Chapel Hill Bapt. Church a few miles north of Reidsville.

The persons killed were Roy Miller, 50 the driver who died at the hospital five hours later; Mrs. Ella Miller, 49 his wife; and Miss Pearl Miller their sister-in-law. The two women were killed instantly.

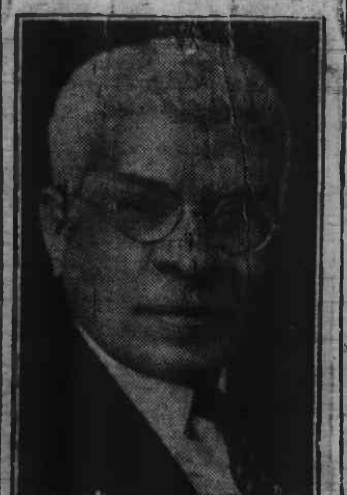
## Mrs. Tullie Newsome Succumbs

Mrs. Tullie Newsome of 1108 Cole St. departed this life July 27th. During the many years that she has been a resident of Durham Mrs. Newsome has won many friends. She was a devoted wife and loving mother who demonstrated the christian spirit in all of her dealings. A faithful church worker she served as a member of the mothers board for about nine years during which time she was always at her post of duty.

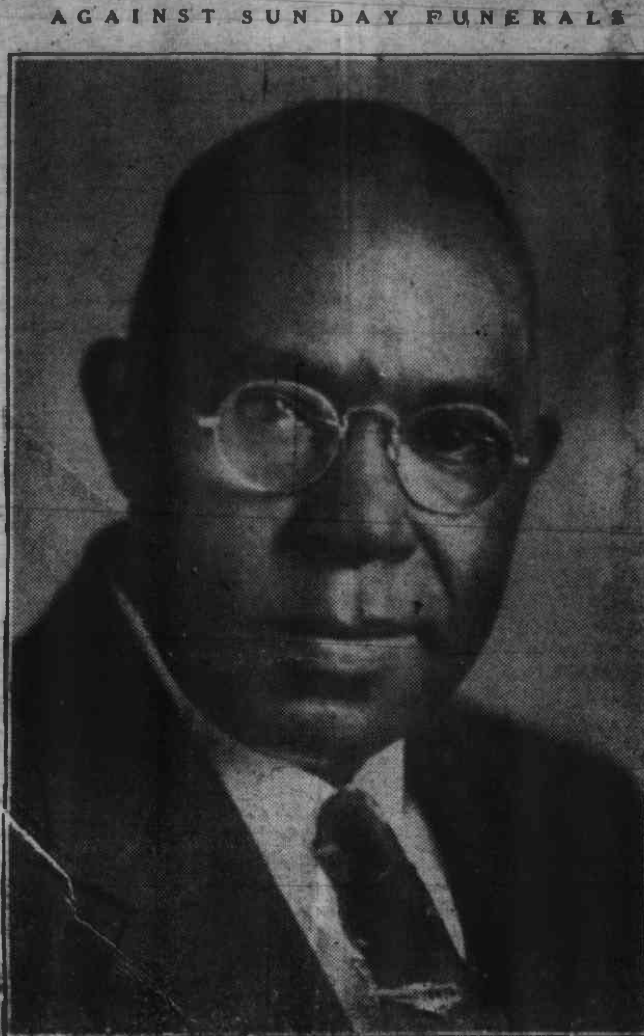
The eulogistic services were held at the Oak Grove First Will Baptist Church of which she was a faithful member. Rev. W. F. Cox, pastor of the Church in charge.

Mrs. Newsome was also a member of the Fireside Mutual Burial Association.

### HAS BIRTHDAY



C. C. SPAULDING, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company who passed his sixty-fourth birthday Monday August 1st. Mr. Spaulding is being congratulated on having reached another milestone in his very frugal life.



REV. R. O. LANGFORD

Editor Carolina Times

Your editorial and Rev. Miles Mark Fishers, article on Sunday Funerals make me realize more fully that I desire to state my personal views.

The matter of Sunday Funerals was made the order of the day in the ministerial Alliance during the time I was president and the Alliance unanimously placed their disapproval of Sunday Funerals under certain conditions.

I think in justice to Rev. Fisher, this statement is proper lest someone may think he stands alone in his views. There is no disposition on the part of the ministers to in any way cause an embarrassing situation to any of the citizens of Durham only that the ministers have discovered from experience that there is a disposition on the part of some families to keep their deceased out of the ground until Sunday in order to demonstrate the apparent sympathy parade celebration which greatly impedes the program of the progressive church.

We have also found and contacted families who assume the initiative in arranging the hour for the funeral without any consideration of the pastor regardless of his previously arranged program of service for the church.

If we look beyond personal views and accept Biblical views as the first cause for good effort, we are admonished to use six days for labor and observe the seventh as the Sabbath, avoiding all unnecessary labor such as grave digging and fitting.

There are however instances where individuals pass the last of the week and whose body is taken from the city or for some other plausible cause can not be held over. I am certain no minister of the Christian Religion would in any way take exception to a Sunday Funeral in such a case realizing there are times when rules must be changed for the best good of all concerned.

In this matter, I am personally opposed to funerals on the Sabbath Day and a large majority of my members have agreed to cooperate with their pastor and the alliance in trying to gear as is humanly possible to avoid this.

As a race group I hope the day may soon come when we may be less willing to censure the views of the ministry and the church and more willing to accept and face the truth even though they may be against our personal viewpoint.

May we more fully remember that we live in a land of liberty of speech when traditional practices must not dictate the procedure of a progressive people such as we find in our city of Durham.

## Attorneys Gather Here For Fourteenth Annual Session Of Association

The Fourteenth Annual Annual Convention of the National Bar Association will be held in Durham, starting Thursday, August 4.

The National Bar Association is composed of the Negro lawyers of the United States and was organized in 1925. It now represents the twelve hundred Negro attorneys in this country.

The Convention will be opened on Thursday morning by the President, Hon. William L. Houston of Washington, D. C. Special Assistant to the Atty. General of the United States. The Convention will be welcomed by the Hon. W. F. Carr, Mayor of Durham, Mr. C. C. Spaulding, President, North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company and President James E. Shepard of the North Carolina College for Negroes.

Among the subjects to be discussed Thursday will be "Methods of Protecting Negro Suffrage" by James N. Nabrit, Jr., Assistant Professor of Law at Howard University; "The Use of the Boycott and Picket to Increase Employment of Negroes" by B. V. Lawson, Jr., of the District of Columbia Bar; "The Lawyer and the Administration of Justice" by M. T. Van Hecke, Dean University of North Carolina. The key note address will be made by President William L. Houston on the subject "The Old Order Changeth".

The public mass meeting will be held at the B. N. Duke

### PRESIDENT



W. L. HOUSTON, president of the National Bar Ass'n and prominent lawyer of Washington, D. C. who is presiding over the sessions of the annual meeting of the organization being held here this week.

Auditorium, North Carolina College for Negroes at 6:16 Thursday night. Attorney M. Hugh Thompson of Durham, Vice President of the Ass'n will preside. Hon. Harry McMullan, Attorney General of North Carolina will speak on the subject "Centralizing Law Enforcement". Hon. James S. Watson, Judge, Municipal Court New York City will speak on the subject "The Responsibilities of the Negro Lawyer to his people."

## Alston Trial Set For Oct.

It is probable that E. Alston, who has been granted a new trial by the Supreme Court in connection with his slaying of 103 year old Mrs. Janie Wilkerson, will be given a second hearing at a special term of court in October.

Because of the heavy docket which awaits action in the Sept. term of superior court and because of the length of time the Alston trial is expected to take it will probably be continued until the special term beginning October 3.

Alston was convicted of first degree murder last February and had been sentenced to death in the gas chamber. He is charged with killing the aged woman shortly before Christmas of '37.

The general public is invited to this meeting. Musical entertainment will also be offered.

The regular meetings will be held Thursday and Friday mornings starting at 9:00 p. m. in Avery Auditorium on the campus of the North Carolina College for Negroes. The gen'l public is invited to attend these meetings.

## Bobby Woods Noses Out Bobby Palmer In Soap Box Derby Here Sunday

Thousands of people lined both sides of the quarter-mile of University Drive was transformed into a race track Sunday to witness Durham's first annual 'soap box' derby in which about 28 cars entered. There were only three colored boys who took part in the derby but out of this number there came very near being a colored city champion. Bobby Palmer who came in a few inches behind Bobby Woods, white, the winner in the final race was announced runner up for the city championship and was awarded a gold medal and a pair of skates.

Palmer won first place in the 'B' class and is city champ in Sun papers.

The contest sponsored by the Herald-Sun papers and the representative of the Chevrolet Motor Co., was actively directed by Jack Wagner, Staff member of the recreation department who will accompany Woods to Akron Ohio for the national derby. The presentation and awards were made by M. F. Muraugh of the Herald-Sun.

that division. Bobby Woods, the winner was in class 'A'. The classes were based on age.

The derby was run off in heats three cars at a time; first entrants in class 'B' the smaller boys, and then those in class 'A'.

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## MANY ENTER TIMES \$5,000 CAMPAIGN

Approximately 75 contestants from all over North Carolina have already sent in entry blanks for the Carolina Times \$5,000 subscription campaign and each mail shows a steady increase of entries and interest in the contest which will close by awarding a brand new 1938 Buick sedan and a brand new

1938 Plymouth sedan, a and hundred of dollars in cash prizes and commission.

The contest is the second the Carolina Times has held since 1930 when a brand new Hudson sedan was awarded. Inogram of this city and a brand new Whippet coach was awarded. (Continued on insert "B")



The above are scenes in the presentation ceremonies at the end of Durham's first annual 'soapbox' derby in which Bobby Woods won first honors and Bobby Palmer was a close second. The picture at the left shows the two boys with their parents. Left to right C. R. Woods, City recreation director and father of The winner; Bobby Woods; The winner; Mrs. C. R. Woods, C. M. Palmer, father of Bobby Palmer; and Bobby Palmer, seated in his car. The center photo shows the boys being greeted by the radio announcers just as the race was over. At the right the boys and their parents are preparing to pose for the Photographers again. (Pictures by THE CAROLINA TIMES; more pictures on insert B.)