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# SCOTTSBORO BOYS DENIED PARDON PLEA USHERS TO CONVENE IN GOLDSBORO

## Bell Saves Ambers From Being Knocked Out In Fifth Round Of Fight

(SPECIAL)  
MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, (Wednesday night, August 17, (Special)—In fifteen rounds of the most furious fighting ever witnessed in a light-weight contest, 25 year old Henry Armstrong knocked the lightweight crown from the head of Lou Ambers and became the first man in the history of pugilism to hold three titles at one and the same time. He is now champion of the featherweight, lightweight, and welterweight divisions.

This fight was a thriller from the first bell to the end of the fifteenth round and at the close of the fight "Homicide Henry" said this was the toughest fight in his career. Both fighters seemed to put everything they had into their fighting and they proved to the 18,000 spectators that they could take it as well as dish it out.

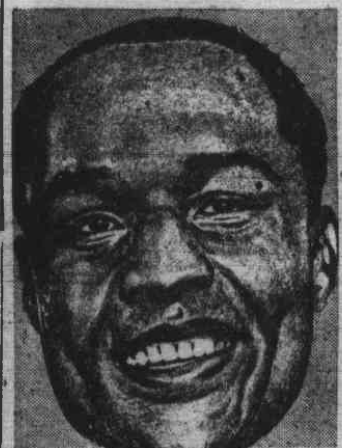
Many times during the fight Armstrong had things going as

he wanted them and he continually crowded and clouted the titleholder. He cornered Lou repeatedly and flailed him unmercifully.

Ambers went down for the count twice during the battle. His first trip to the canvas came in the fifth frame when Armstrong landed one of his dynamite-loaded rights to the jaw. He was saved by the bell. Ambers was brought down for the count of eight in the sixth. Another time Lou was knocked across the ring and would have been flattened a third time if the ropes had not acted as a backstop. Armstrong initiated all of the knockdowns with rights to the jaw followed by left hooks to the body.

By going the full fifteen rounds with Armstrong, Ambers became the fourth man to go the limit during Henry's 39 consecutive victories. The fight capped the climax of the most

### TRIPLE CHAMP



History-making "Homicide Henry" Armstrong who registered his 39th consecutive victory and annexed the lightweight crown to his collection in the fifteen round battle with Lou Ambers Wednesday night. He is the first man in history to hold three titles at once and the same time.

amazing championship winning streak in history, giving Armstrong his third title in less than ten months.

The perpetual motion machine of the ring won the featherweight title by knocking out Patey-Sarron last October and captured the welterweight crown in points from Barney Ross last May 31.

(The TIMES Tells It First)

FLASH!  
Miss Ethel Wise has recently been appointed member of the music faculty of Lincoln U.

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## Meet To Be Held August 26-28 Tenn. Editor Driven From K. C. Campus

(Special to the Carolina Times)  
GOLDSBORO, Aug. 17, The 14th annual session of the North Carolina Inter-Denominational Ushers Association will open here Fri. morning Aug. 26 at 10 o'clock sharp according to an announcement made here this week by J. Wiley Thompson, member of the committee on arrangements.

More than 300 delegates and visitors to the convention are expected to be here next week and plans have been completed to entertain them in the highest manner.

All sessions of the meeting will be held at the Mount Calvary Baptist church on Denmark street. The convention will be presided over by L. E. Austin, president of the association. Mr. Austin is also editor of the Carolina Times.

The North Carolina Inter-denominational Ushers Association is composed of members of usher boards from churches of all denominations, and is one of the fastest growing organizations in the state. Its membership now numbers more than 2,000. This year's convention is expected to be the largest attended and best in the history of the association.

The public meeting of the convention proper will be held Friday night at eight o'clock at which time addresses of welcome will be delivered by Ex-Mayor of Goldsboro, Edgar H. Babin, Roland Pearson, Mrs. Emma W. Sesser, Rev. B. F. Johnson, Dr. Jackson and Mrs. Alpha Hatcher. Responses to the addresses will be delivered by the president of the ass'n

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### FLASH! FLASH!

KITTRELL, N. C., Aug. 17th—Hell threatened to break loose here today at the Religious Convocation being held on the campus of Kittrell College when an attack on Ira T. Bryant led by Rev. T. H. Scott, pastor of the St. Paul A.M.E. Church of Raleigh threatened to develop into a free for all physical combat. Mr. Bryant was ordered and fairly driven from the campus by Rev. Scott and a small mob.

The attack on Mr. Bryant was said to have started when it was learned that the YOUNG ALLENITE, the A.M.E. Sunday School Union publication, edited by Mr. Bryant, was found being circulated on the campus of the college. The issue being circulated carried a front page editorial disclosing alleged crooked activities of several A.M.E. Church officers, including Bishop M. H. Davis, and was thought to have raised the ire of Rev. Scott and other Davis supporters to such an extent that they could not stand the presence of the Young Allenite editor.

Rev. Scott who until a few years ago was a minister in the CME Church, accused Mr. Bryant and ordered him not to distribute any more of the Young Allenite on the school campus.

"You know me," Rev. Scott is alleged to have said. "Yes I know when you first came into the church," said Mr. Bryant. Words including the lie, passed between the two men until Rev. Scott called the special white police officer hired to keep order at the convocation to prevent Mr. Bryant from remaining on the campus and to prevent the Young Allenite from being distributed.

## ALABAMA REFUSES TO FREE POWELL AND PATTERSON

### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED



MISS CARRIE ISABELL YEARGIN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Yeargin of Raleigh, N. C. who marriage to Earnest Preston of Raleigh has been announced for September.

Rev. Scott threatened to call the Sheriff for the purpose of arresting Bryant if the literature was even found being distributed near the college campus.

The attack on Mr. Bryant today is said to have been the second which has been led by Rev. Scott on the Nashville publisher. The first took place at a recent meeting of the Bishop's Council of the A.M.E. church led in Montgomery.

Soon after the attack Rev. Scott left immediately for Durham.

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(Special to the Carolina Times)  
MONTGOMERY, Ala. August 18.—Applications for the freedom of the remaining five Scottsboro boys now being held in prison here for an alleged rape of two young white women on a freight train in 1931 were denied today by the Alabama board of pardons.

The board flatly refused the applications of Ozzie Powell and Heywood Patterson, the vote for the refusal being unanimous. Reason given for denying the pleas of Charlie Weems, Andy Wright and Clarence Norris was that the pleas had been presented prematurely.

The pardoning board's meeting was attended by Governor Gibb Graves who may or may not allow the board's recommendations.

Patterson is serving 75 years for the alleged rape and Powell is serving 20 years for an assault charge with attempt to murder growing out of an effort to escape when he was being transported by officers.

The refusal of the Alabama board of pardons will not end

the fight for complete freedom for the remaining five boys, according to an announcement made by officials of the National Labor Defense, the organization that has led the fight to save the lives of the boys since their arrest in 1931.

Four of the original nine boys were freed more than a year ago.

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### MRS. NANNIE LEE PASSES

Mrs. Nannie Lee, former resident of the East Durham Community, died at her home Umstead Street Saturday morning, August 13. Mrs. Lee was the wife of Henderson Lee, janitor at the W. G. Pelelementary school and coach of the Lucky Strike Eulls Baseball team. Also surviving are Miss Katherine Lee, daughter, and two sons Oscar and Hubert Lee, and a host of relatives and friends. All Durham was shocked to hear of Mrs. Lee's death for she was a woman of fine character with a personality which endeared her to all who knew her.

## Etta Moten Thrills N. C. C. Audience

By William A. Tuck

With a program varying from the works of Ponchielli, Brahms, Handel, and Schubert to the hits of the day such as Music Maestro Please and such songs from screen successes as 'Caricosa' and 'My Forgotten Man' Miss Etta Moten, singer extraordinaire star of radio screen and concert gave her audience at the North Carolina College thrill after thrill in her first concert in the state for this season, Monday evening, August 15th. This recital was another in the series of summer lyceum concerts at the College.

Miss Moten's program heard by an enthusiastic audience of N. Carolina's High School Teachers who nearly filled B. N. Duke Auditorium was very warmly accepted and requests for spirituals and popular songs were so numerous that she was forced to alter her program greatly and omit most of the heavier numbers which she had planned to use.

The part of Miss Moten's program which the audience seemed to like most was the section devoted to spirituals and popular songs. Miss Moten told her listeners in her own charming way that she had left the spirituals of her program purposely in order that they might be requested and while complying with the requests she would also include those which were her favorites.

She sang "Marching Through Jordan" a spiritual taken from a Canadian collection by Eva Jessye. This spiritual is not as well known as some others but is quite as authentic and quite as lovely as those which originated in the South. Other spirituals were: "I've Been Busted" "City Called Heaven" and "Talk About A Chit That Do Love Jesus."

In the final group was "Remember My forgotten Man" which was sung by Miss Moten in the screen success, Gold-diggers of 1933; Music Maestro Please and "Caricosa" from another picture which starred Miss Moten, Flying Down to Rio.

Etta Moten has had considerably finer training than the average singer who appears before the audiences of the United States and this was easily noticed in the manner in which she conducted her program Monday evening. It was only natural that her concert should have been attended and highly appreciated by Durham's (and North Carolina's) intelligentsia.

Accompanying the artist at the piano was LeRoy Gentry, a young man of twenty who is really a prodigy at the piano. He is a student at the University of Chicago. While in North Carolina Miss Moten will be heard in concert at all of the Colleges in the State.

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## Shorter College Robbery Case May Soon Be Solved

### EVIDENCE SAID TO LINK CHURCHMAN-SCHOOL TEACHER TO SHOOTING

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. August 18, (ANP)—Police officers and church leaders here are hopeful of announcing shortly the solution of the startling shooting and robbery of Presiding Elder O. Sherman on June 9. The prominent pastor was robbed of \$2,200 belonging to Shorter college, A.M.E. institution here, and then shot by the robbers as he was conveying the money from the school to his home at 802 Hickory street.

Three men are under arrest, one, Prof. W. M. Burns, described as the brains of the plot, and two others, men named Ollison and Duckworth, who are said to be his accomplices.

The latter two men are in jail, but Burns is at liberty under a \$5,000 bond. All three are residents of Fordyce, Ark a town near Little Rock.

There is a mystical quality to the hold-up and attempted assassination, with ramifications into church circles which have kept the case upon the tongues of nearly everyone here, and throughout the state. The money was part of an educational fund which had been raised during the past year by the presiding elder's council held at Bethel church in North Little Rock. The funds were turned over to Rev. Sherman who is chairman of the finance committee of the school for transportation to his home for safe keeping at the close of the evening meeting, and were to have been banked

on the following day. As Rev. Sherman drove into the driveway of his home, one of two men who had been following the car took the grip containing the money from him at the point of a gun and then fired point blank at his head. The bullet entered one side of his neck, emerging on the other side, but the plucky minister though weak from loss of blood followed the robbers in a zig zag chase about Little Rock streets until he lost them.

Three weeks later a clue developed which led to the arrest of Burns, Ollison and Duckworth. The latter two confessed that they had plotted with Burns to commit the robbery, and testified that the money had been turned over to him

after their escape.

Prof. Burns is a principal in a rural school near Fordyce and has been a prominent layman in the A.M.E. church. He was a lay delegate to the A.M.E. General conference held in New York in 1936, where he had served as a member of the important Episcopal committee of the body. He had for some years been a professed friend of Rev. Sherman, and was a former student at the school. These connections are alleged to have given him an insight into the methods of handling the school's money. He is alleged to have hired Ollison, an expert chauffeur, and Duckworth, a casual laborer, to carry out the details of the crime, promising them a share of the proceeds.

## Rev. Mathew N. Nunn Preaches Own Funeral

No, this is not the Believe-it-or-not column; it actually happened. Rev. Mathew N. Nunn, a well known resident of Durham County officiated at his own funeral at the Hillside Park High school Sunday afternoon, August 14. All arrangements for the funeral were made by Rev. Nunn; he had his casket, plenty of flowers, pallbearers and everything that goes with a real funeral.

In the beginning of the funeral, the casket was rolled down the aisle by the undertaker and Rev. Nunn was walking in front of it. The casket was followed by the line of pallbearers and flowerbearers. After the formal march, very little was said pertaining to a funeral. Rev. Nunn stated that the Lord had told him to establish a Holy Missionary Baptist church and in order to do this he had to get away from his old self; he had to move out and devote the rest of his life to God. He has bought a tract of land out in the County where he intends to establish his church.

The first grave to be dug on the part of the tract set aside for the church cemetery was a Rev. Nunn's own grave which he dug between two stones which he said God had intended for his tombstones.

### GOVERNOR STARK ATTENDS LINCOLN U SUMMER COMMENCEMENT

JEEFERSON CITY, Mo., Aug. 18 (ANP) Governor and Mr. Lloyd C. Stark were among the distinguished guests in attendance at the commencement exercises of the Summer graduating class last Thursday at Lincoln university. Governor Stark was introduced by Prof. C. C. Hubbard, principal Lincoln High school, Sedalia, Mo. and member of the board of curators of Lincoln university. The Governor spoke informally on "Service" calling attention of graduates to the value of a life devoted to unselfish service, and citing the opportunities for service offered by an institution like Lincoln.

### NURSERY SCHOOL HOLDS PICNIC

RALEIGH, Aug. 18, (Special) On August 4th the teachers and children of the first Congregational Nursery School went to the John Chapin Park on a picnic. Mrs. Lucy C. Coleman was in charge and she was assisted by Mrs. Rose A. L. Lewis and Miss Hattie H. J. J.