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MISSISSIPPI DEAN HELD ON FORGING CHARGE

N. C. MUTUAL AGENT KILLED

PHONEY. CERTIFICATES END WHEN COPS NAB UNIVERSITY DEAN

Associated Negro Press
Jackson, Miss. — If teachers' certificates didn't have to be renewed every four years, J. Frank Smith, dean at the Uatic Industrial and Normal school, might not be in the hands of the law today. The holder of three degrees and second lieutenant in the U. S. Army reserves, Smith has been charged with forging Negro teaching certificates and selling them for thousands of dollars to teachers in Louisiana and Mississippi.

ago, the end of the four year period when all teachers were required to have their certificates renewed. Forged certificates began flowing into the offices of Negro schools, Southern university, Leland college, Xavier university, and Tuskegee institute. Soon complaints brought about a description akin to Smith's and he was arrested Wednesday. Lately he has been teaching at Pike county agricultural school, Magnolia, Miss., and has been dean at the Uatic, Miss. Institute and Normal college.

N. A. A. C. P. INVESTIGATES RAPE STORY

New York — Branding a "fantastic and nonconvincing" the story of Mrs. J. K. Strubing of fashionable Greenwich, Conn., that she was kidnaped and raped four times in one night by her colored butler, chauffeur, Joseph Spell, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People sent its special counsel Thurgood Marshall, to Greenwich on Dec. 12 to investigate the whole case.

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WOMEN'S AUXILIARY PLANNING FOR THE 28th ANNUAL OMEGA CONCLAVE IN TENN.



Standing Reading from left to right front row: Mesdames, Geo. W. Chrite, Robert W. Harris, Joseph W. King, William Quinland, S. P. Harris, Terrel Stauley, Jerome I. Wright, William Howse. Back row: Madmes, Robert Lillard, Matthew Walker, L. D. Scott, Z. Alexander Lobby, John W. Maxwell, John W. Work, Dennis D. Nelson, and Mrs. Mary Frances Franklin. Sitting: Madames Poorest Strange, Stanley B. Hemphill, N. W. Butler, Henderson A. Johnson, chairman, J. B. Singleton, Leslie W. Beasley and Mrs. Osear R. Jackson.

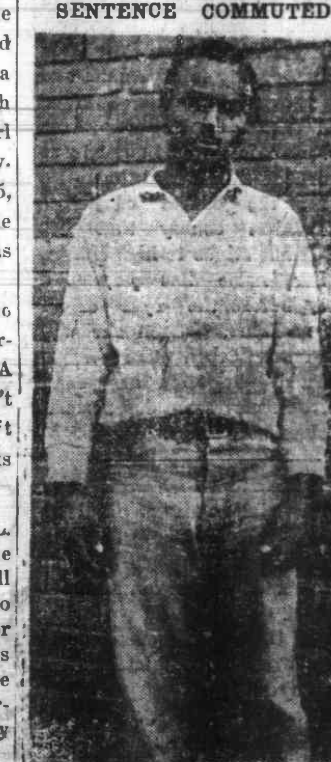
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JOHN O'DANIEL DIES WHEN CAR SMASHES INTO TREE ON HIWAY



Hamlet — John W. O'Daniel, age 30, agent of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company was fatally injured in an automobile accident near here last Monday morning when the car he was driving ran off the highway and smashed into a tree after he apparently lost control of the vehicle. There were no eye-witnesses to the accident.

SENTENCE COMMUTED

Whiteville citizen whose sentence to the gas chamber was commuted by Governor Clyde R. Hoey last week after a successful effort on the part of L. J. Spaulding and Wm. J. Walker, Durham business men who spent considerable time and money in digging up the facts in the case. Pugh, who is a well known farmer at Whiteville was charged with rape. Messrs. Spaulding and Walker stated that in as much as they believe the man is innocent they would continue the fight to have him released from prison.

Mr. O'Daniel was returning to Raleigh from Wadesboro where he had gone to take his wife who is a teacher in the school system of that city. Mrs. O'Daniel is the former Miss Hortense Galloway of Greensboro. She had spent the weekend with her husband in Raleigh where he is stationed as a representative of the company for which he works. The couple was married last April.

"Steel Bowl" Game Called Natural

Birmingham, Ala. — The Steel Bowl game "has turned out to be natural" Ric Roberts, Scott News paper Syndicate sports editor, told the Steel Bowl Committee here Wednesday.

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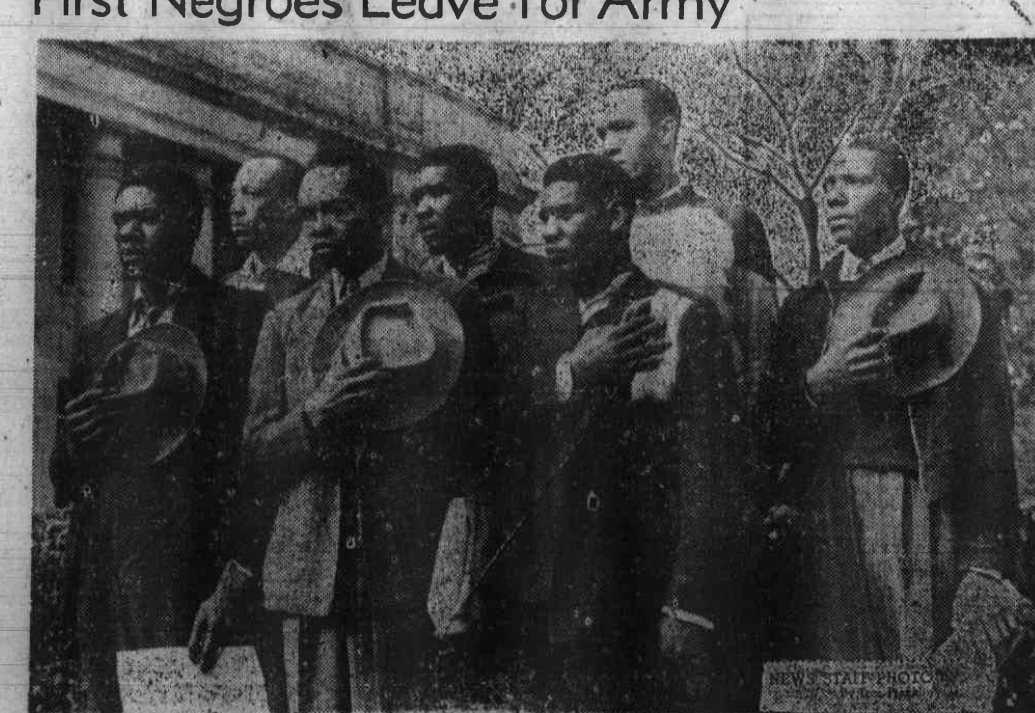
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