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BIG BOND RALLY SEPT. 24

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• BUY WAR BONDS

Five Million Negroes In War Savings Clubs Is Goal

NEGRO THOT LYNCHED IN ALA.

NAACP Charges Sheriff Involved In Strange Death

Associated Negro Press
BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Circumstances surrounding the mysterious death of Willie Lee Carter on August 9 at Beatrice, Ala., fit all the definitions of a lynching, the Birmingham branch NAACP charged Wednesday in a request that state and federal authorities make a searching investigation of the case.

Officials of the local branch charged that Cooper, a garage mechanic, employed by Edward and Wilbert Owens, white, of Monroeville, Va., one of whom is a deputy sheriff, left his job without notice, was hunted down by the two Owens' brothers aided by the Sheriff of Nichols of Monroe county, that when Owens found Cooper he took him away in an automobile.

Later, the report says, the Owens brothers and a Dr. Eddins turned at the home of a Bill Stallworth and asked him to "fix a bed for Willie Lee" saying that he had been hurt. Finding accommodations unavailable, the report of the branch says, Cooper was carried to a hospital in Repton, Ala.

The NAACP report said that "Dr. Carter said, according to the statement made by the doctor in charge of the hospital, the three men brought Cooper to the hospital about 11 o'clock that night, with head and face badly bruised, arm broken, and body beaten into a pulp."

The doctor revealed that upon asking Cooper how he got hurt, he was told by the fatally wound-

ed man, "I am afraid to tell, they will beat me again if I tell." Winning the beaten man's confidence, the report says, Dr. Carter was told that he had been beaten. He died about eight o'clock the next morning.

Bill Cooper, father of the slain man, came to see his son, stopping at the Owens garage, the report says, where he was told that his son was injured and was doing fine in the hospital, when a telephone call telling of the death of Willie Lee interrupted the conversation.

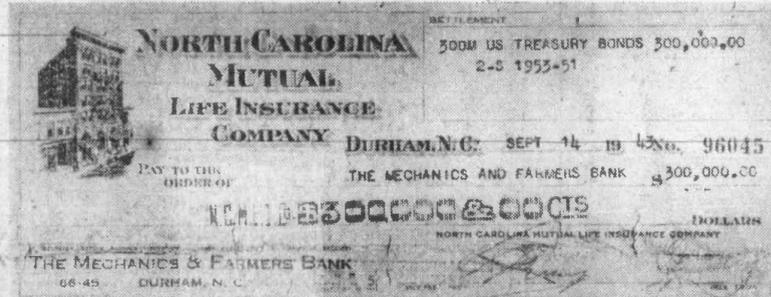
The victim, according to the report, was denied embalming service at Monroeville. No certificate of death showing cause was issued, the NAACP learned. Cooper was buried unceremoniously on August 11.

Personal property in Cooper's possession when he left home with the Owens brothers including his clothing, social security card, gas ration book and money totalling \$112 have not been accounted for, the report said.

When found by the Owens brothers after leaving the job, Willie Lee is said to have been asked to go back to the garage to help fix a tractor. He was told after asking for time to change his clothes, that it was unnecessary since would take about 10 minutes to do the job.

"Why in the hell didn't you come to work this morning," Owens was quoted in the report as asking Cooper. Cooper is said to have turned to Page Eight

N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company Buys \$300,000 War Bond



The North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company of Durham is truly backing the attack with War Bonds. This week the company announced the purchase of \$300,000 worth of the Third War Loan bond issue to bring the total amount of federal bonds now owned by the North Carolina Mutual to over two million dollars. During the first War Loan bond issue the company bought \$100,000 worth of bonds, the second War Loan bond issue it bought \$200,000 worth. The \$300,000 check, a picture of which appears above, is believed to be one of the largest ever issued by a Negro institution.

To Organize War Bond Clubs For Negroes In Gigantic Savings Plan

Enlistment of at least 5,000,000 Negroes in War Bond Savings Clubs is the goal toward which the Inter-Racial Unit of the Treasury's War Finance Division is aiming in the \$15,000,000,000 Third War Loan, the Treasury Department said today.

The Inter-Racial Unit, with Willard W. Allen, Baltimore Business leader handling this phase of activities, is at work on a program for the organization of the clubs, with 100 members each, in Negro communities

throughout the country. The plan is for each club to make regular monthly purchases of at least one \$25 War Bond.

Mr. Allen reported wide interest in the plan has already been revealed by letters of inquiry and comment coming to his office from all over the country. Several nationally organized Negro groups have already gone on record in favor of the plan and have announced the adoption of it by their organiza-

tions. The National Negro Business League, the Bishop's Council of the A.M.E. Church, and the National Negro Insurance Association are among the groups which have adopted the program.

Sixty five Masonic lodges in Maryland, and about as many other organization in the country have already adopted the movement; and it is growing fast, Mr. Allen said. "Many Negroes are turning to Page Eight

N. C. Mutual Boosts Bond Drive With \$300,000 Buy Pre-Flight Band to Play

URBAN LEAGUE ANNOUNCES FELLOWSHIPS

NEW YORK CITY — "VICTORY THROUGH UNITY" is announced by the National Urban League as the theme of its Annual Conference to be held in Chicago, Ill., from Sept. 28th to October 3. Governors of states and Mayors of cities throughout the country have endorsed the conference by issuing proclamations and setting aside the period as "Victory through Unity Week" in their respective jurisdictions. Governor Dwight H. Green of Illinois, Mayor Edward J. Kelly of Chicago; Governor Edward Martin of Pennsylvania; and Governor Raymond E. Baldwin of Connecticut, have already made public the text of their proclamation calling upon Americans of both races to put aside group antagonisms and work together for national victory in this war.

The conference theme is the National Urban League's answer to the wave of race riots and growing racial tensions witnessed in past months throughout the nation. Urban League staff and board members from 47 cities will gather for a six day discussion of racial problems in the war effort and ways of

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L. Z. Creft, popular agent of the Durham District of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, who was recently promoted to the assistant management of the Durham District of his company. Mrs. Creft came to Durham several years ago. Since coming here he has gained quite an enviable reputation as an insurance producer. Prior to his promotion he managed the largest debit on the Durham District.

Back the attack—Buy War Bonds and help other Salesmen to become less costly in men-

Interest in the All-Negro War Bond Parade and Rally to be held here at the City Armory on the night of September 24 gained considerable momentum this week with the announcement that the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company had purchased \$300,000 worth of the Third War Loan bonds. This followed closely behind the announcement of the acceptance of the invitation extended the Navy Pre-Flight Band to participate in the program, and gave great encouragement to the local committee which is working hard to make the program a great success.

In a statement to a representative of the Carolina Times this week E. R. Merrick, treasurer of the company, who is also chairman of the local Negro division of the Third War Loan campaign, had the following to say: "This additional purchase of \$300,000 in government securities brings the total of our holdings in these important securities to \$2,120,300. It is interesting to note that this total represents approximately sixty per cent of the total investment in our bond portfolio. We know no finer place to put our funds, not only from a sound investment viewpoint but from the patriotic urge to assist our country to the fullest."

Just to keep the old wheel turning the Mutual Building and Loan Association, another Negro institution of Durham followed with a purchase of \$35,000 worth of bonds to bring the week's total of bonds purchased by Durham Negro businesses alone to \$335,000.

On Sunday morning a "Flying Squadron" of speakers will visit every Negro church in the city and urge each member of the congregations to purchase the Third War Bonds to the limit. The theme of each speaker's talk will be "Rally To The War Bond Rally."

The committee on parade and other committees have been holding frequent meetings throughout the week in order to complete the line of march and other details necessary for making the entire program a success.

Organizations already secured to take part in the parade are: 930th Field Artillery Battalion, Bull City Elks Lodge, Weaver McLean Post of the American Legion, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts. Please turn to Page Eight

HERE ARE THE MEN WHO HEAD THE NEW FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION



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Miss Sara E. Southall, Supervisor of Employment and Service, International Harvester Company, and industry representative on the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice.



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