

Was Penknife or Screwdriver Used To

KILL HOT TEMPERED LOVER?



Isaac Smith, Well-Known Easterner, Dies

NEW BERN

Isaac H. Smith, Jr., 53, son of a former member of the North Carolina House of Representatives from Craven County, died at the Good Shepherd Hospital here Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. He had been in declining health for the past five years. Funeral services will be held from the St. Cyprian Episcopal Church of New Bern at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, July 29. Interment will follow in the local cemetery.

The younger Smith, whose father was a Republican member of the 1899 legislature, was also the son-in-law of the late Dr. James E. Shepard, also prominent in Republican politics of the 1890's and founder and first president of the North Carolina College at Durham.

Smith was born in New Bern on May 3, 1899, the son of Isaac H. and Carrie Phone Smith. His family has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business in New Bern for the past 50 years.

Survivors include his wife, the former Annie Day Shepard, two daughters, Mrs. Eugene Donaldson and Miss Carolyn Smith of New Bern; his mother, Mrs. I. H. Smith, New Bern; one sister, Mrs. Henrietta Hagans of Neptune, New Jersey; three aunts, Miss Charlotte Phone, Mrs. Etta Jones, and Mrs. Amey Rhone, all of New Bern; and five nephews, Wilfred Kenny, Durham; and Edward, Isaac, Henry, and Eli Hagans of Neptune, New Jersey.

Smith graduated from North Carolina College and later studied law at Howard University in Washington, D. C.

He was treasurer and a member. (Please turn to Page Eight)



ISAAC SMITH

Talmadge In Elks Atlanta Celebration

PHILADELPHIA

One of the most unusual precedents in American history will set in Atlanta, Georgia, when the IBPO Elks of the World, headed by Grand Exalted Ruler Robert H. Johnson, invade that city for the Fifty-fourth annual Grand Lodge of the Elks.

Heralded and besmirched in all parts of America as a "Negro-hater," Georgia's Governor Herman Talmadge will ride in the lead car of the Elks' biggest public demonstration—their Grand Parade—will ride with Grand Exalted Ruler Johnson, who from every known vantage point is a Negro!

This will, however, be but an anti-climax for the colorful George State Chief executive who has been one of the most controversial figures in American history: last May Governor Talmadge sent Mr. Johnson a \$10 bill as a birthday present recently.

Periodical Dept
Duke Univ Library

Carolina Times

THE TRUTH UNBRIDLED

FOR THIRTY YEARS THE OUTSTANDING WEEKLY OF THE CAROLINAS

Entered as Second Class Matter at the Post Office at Durham, North Carolina, under Act of March 3, 1879.

VOLUME 30—NUMBER 28

DURHAM, N. C.,

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1953

PRICE 10 CENTS

Telephone Firm To Show Plan For Future Service

Group Again Objects To New Franchise

DURHAM

Continued objections to granting an extension of a franchise for 30 years to the Durham Telephone Company was expressed by a committee of Negro citizens here last Friday when its members appeared before a special committee of the City Council. The present franchise of the Company expires April 18, 1954.

Members of the Negro committee opposing the granting of the franchise were Geo. W. Cox, J. J. Henderson, D. B. Martin, J. S. Stewart, M. H. Thompson, and L. E. Austin.

Following the registering of objections by the Negro committee authorized by the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, and questioning by City Manager R. W. Flack as to the type of service the company would be able to give during the new 30-year period, Ralph Van Trine, executive vice-president of the telephone company said he would inform the Council committee later what his company could do.

The City Manager told Van Trine that the main consideration to be considered by the Council in granting the franchise is, "how well can you

Rejection Of Biased Housing Plan Is Urged

WASHINGTON

The federal government has been urged to withhold approval of and deny funds to a multi-million dollar slum clearance proposal for Birmingham on the ground that it would displace some 800 Negro families for the development of hospital facilities and dwelling units for whites only.

In a meeting on July 21 with J. W. Follin, new head of the government's redevelopment program, Clarence Mitchell, director of the NAACP Washington Bureau, strongly protested against this proposal. The Association, Mitchell told the federal official, heartily supports slum clearance but vigorously opposes any program, such as that proposed for Birmingham, which would move all Negroes out of the area to provide new housing for white families.

Following the protest of the NAACP and those of local Birmingham citizens, Col. Harold Harper, executive director of the Birmingham Housing Authority, advised that no new housing would be developed in the area. Mr. Mitchell charged that this new move was simply a device to secure federal support of a program to herd colored people into special areas.

Settlement of this issue, Follin informed the NAACP representative, requires consideration by top administration officials. Meanwhile, he said, no final approval has been given to the Birmingham proposal.



Sidney J. Phillips, President of the George Washington Carver National Monument Foundation and Collaborator for the United States Department of the Interior, unveiled and presented to the United States of America a plaque which will serve as a permanent marker for the Birthplace

of Dr. George Washington Carver which was recently dedicated as a National Monument.

Howard Baker, Director of the National Park Service, Region 2, is standing on the speakers' platform to accept the plaque in behalf of the Department of Interior. The

wording on the placard as shown in the picture is the same as that which appears seated in a stone on the ground.

Pictured in the background is Mrs. Lilla Washington Lee, a niece of Booker T. Washington, and her husband Robert Lee.

New Trial For Man Charged With Slaying White Woman

COLUMBIA, S. C.

A new trial was granted this week a Negro charged with slaying a white woman in 1951.

The accused man is Arthur Waitus, 35 years-old, who was convicted twice in Marion and Georgetown counties by all white juries of strangling Mrs. L. H. Coker to death in April, 1951.

The South Carolina Supreme Court set aside the verdict of the Marion jury and ordered a new trial on the ground of "unconstitutional discrimination" against Waitus. The Court based this ruling on the fact that all white juries were drawn both in the Georgetown county trial and in the later one at Marion county.

The second trial was held in Marion county in August, 1951 on a change of venue.

The body of the slain woman, wife of a paper employee, was found bruised and bloody in the basement of a church parish house.

Waitus, arrested 10 days later in Fairmont, N. C., pleaded innocent at the trial. He testified that a confession, introduced against him, was forced from him.

The defense contended that the exclusion of Negroes from the trial juries denied Waitus of the equal protection of the laws

under the 14th amendment.

Ruling of the State Supreme Court, setting aside the Marion county verdict, held that while the laws of South Carolina did not deny Waitus equal protection, "they were administered by the jury commissioners of Georgetown and Marion Coun-

ties so as to result in systematic exclusion of Negroes from the juries."

While in both counties, a "substantial proportion of those eligible for jury duties are Negroes," the court ruling further pointed out, few or no Negroes

(Please turn to Page Eight)



Some 120 beauticians from all over the State met in Durham Monday for a one day convention. Shown above are a group of the beauticians following a dinner at which R. N. Harris, seated center, Durham's first Negro city coun-

cilman, was guest.

The Beauticians toured the city, were feted to a social by the Durham Shriners and listened to business and civic leaders of the city during their one day meeting.

Asheville Woman Held By Police In Fatal Stabbing Of Boyfriend

ASHEVILLE

A woman about 40 years old is being held in the City Jail on a charge of murder following an investigation by City Police Detectives of the death of an unemployed World War II Veteran in this city's East End section.

About 9:30 P.M. Monday night the police received a telephone call from an unidentified woman who told the Desk Lieutenant that "we think we've got a dead man down here."

On investigation Officers found the body of 39-year old T. J. (Hot Shot) Miller in his downstairs bedroom at 82 Pine Street laying partly on the bed and partly on the floor, dead apparently from a stab wound in the chest.

Shortly afterwards, Addie Harris of the same address was placed under arrest on a charge of murder. Time of Miller's death was established at around 6:30 P.M.

Dr. P. R. Terry, Buncombe County Coroner, said that Miller had been stabbed in the chest with a small sharp instrument. He said that the instrument, too large to have been an icepick, had penetrated the heart and that Miller died of an internal hemorrhage. Early Tuesday morning, officers found a small screwdriver which looked to be blood-stained and could possibly have been the death-dealing weapon. A pen knife was also believed to have been used but no such weapon was uncovered by a search.

Detective Henry C. Caldwell stated that the Harris woman, who lived across the hallway from Miller at the rooming house, has refused to tell just what happened. Caldwell said that he believed that the two had been fighting.

Several persons near the scene of the alleged murder were questioned by the police, but all stated that they were too far away to see or hear just what happened. It is known that the murder suspect was Miller's girlfriend.

The TIMES in its investiga-

tion found that the dead man lived in the same bedroom and slept in the same bed with the brother of Addie Harris.

On talking with the brother and one other person nearby, the TIMES was told that Miller had been chasing a dog in the backyard of the rooming house and that he had fallen on a long wooden plank which had several rusty nails in it, and that while the brother of Addie Harris was lying on one side of the bed, Miller came in and lay

(Please turn to Page Eight)



WALTER WHITE

"... Shocked ..."

Naming Of S. C.'s Byrnes To UN Attacked

(See Editorial, "Byrnes' Appointment An Affront," Page Two).

WASHINGTON

The appointment of James Byrnes, governor of South Carolina, as a member of the United Nations delegation to the eighth session of the UN General Assembly was protested this week by the NAACP, through its secretary, Walter White.

In a message to the White House, White said that the NAACP was "shocked and dismayed" at Byrnes' appointment.

Byrnes was among nominees for the U.S.'s UN delegation submitted by President Eisenhower to the Senate for confirmation. Others were Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, Reps. Frances Bolton (R-O) and James Richards (D-SC), Secretary of State John Foster Dulles will be the fifth member of the delegation, but his appointment does not require Senate confirmation.

White's message of protest to the president called Byrnes an "open advocate of and spokesman for racism." He added that the NAACP was "dismayed and shocked" to learn of his nomination.

Byrnes, leader of the States Rights Democrats, is a former Justice of the Supreme Court and served as secretary of State at one time under President Truman.

Since returning to his native South Carolina, where he serves as Governor, he has assumed the leadership of the State Rights Democrat who tried un-

(Please turn to Page Eight)

Pair Charged With Rape In Asheville

ASHEVILLE

Rape and attempted rape charges have been filed against two young Asheville men as a result of a warrant sworn out by two nurses who are in training at one of the hospitals in this area.

James Baten, 20 of 23 Livingston Street and Herbert Logan, 22, of 165 South Grove Street were arrested last Friday by Buncombe County Deputy Sheriffs. Baten is charged with rape and Logan with attempted rape.

According to the arresting officers, the alleged assaults took place Tuesday night in an automobile being ridden in by the four persons and operated by Logan. The exact location of the alleged crimes has not been determined as the victims were unable to say being strangers to this area.

According to information, (Please turn to Page Eight)

EDITORIAL

JIM CROW BAD ANYWHERE

Last week, we received an anonymous letter asking us whether the fact that a training program for Negro nurses will not be set up at North Carolina College would alter our opposition to the idea. It is this newspaper's custom to consign, immediately upon receipt, all unsigned letters to "file 13," the wastebasket, on the assumption that if the correspondent does not think his letter important enough to warrant his signature, we certainly don't think it important enough to waste our time with it. But, since this particular piece of furtive correspondence contained a rather damaging indictment, we have set aside the custom in this instance.

To answer the direct question which the letter asked, emphatically NO. Our opposition to the jim crow nurse training program is steadfast.

We will take up the indictment of this newspaper later.

Schools for training Negro nurses have been authorized at the Agricultural and Technical College at Greensboro and at Winston-Salem Teachers College. This is, of course, a backward step and will result in an abominable waste of the taxpayers' money.

There are those (and surprisingly enough, they are to be found in presumed enlightened circles) who, calling themselves "realists," say there is a definite need for these jim crow schools and actually defend their establishment on this point. They say that if these schools are not set up, many young Negro girls, disinclined to go to college and lacking sufficient background training to enable them to enter mixed nurse training schools, would not have an opportunity to get

nurse training. We agree. There are many Negro girls, just out of inferior high schools, disinclined to go to college, and who, because of the inferior Negro high schools, lack the background training that would enable them to make the grade in bona fide nursing schools. But, to continue the system of inferior training, to complete it at the top by adding to the already unsteady structure a superstructure of inferior training, as exemplified in the soon-to-be-established nurse training programs at A. and T. and Winston-Salem, will not solve one thing. It only "worsifies" a sorry situation. It is like the man who made a wrong turn in the road and, who, upon finding himself miles out of the way of his destination, continued down the wrong road in the vain hope of somehow reaching his destination.

These so-called "realists" who claim they are trying to face the situation as it is, are actually the fuzzy thinkers, hopelessly lost in the swift current of events. They are the weak and the faint-hearted, afraid to see someone else, even, take a bold step in the right direction on an uncharted way, much less take a step of their own. They are content to traverse the same old, outworn, circular paths which their great grandparents blazed almost a century ago. They are unable to cope with the great truth that the time of segregated things, things "for Negroes," and things "for whites" is out of joint with the time of things for humanity.

These same people, inconsistent as they are, will give their tacit approval of separate, inferior training for Negroes, and at the same time make a noise about how Negroes are being excluded from the economic life of the country. (Please turn to Page Eight)