

# Spark Plug Eater Accuses Woman

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# N.A.A.C.P. TO FIGHT SPLIT

## Dope Scare Hits In Durham Area



**WILL SING WITH SYMPHONY**  
—Ella Moten, internationally known soprano, will appear during the summer at Ravinia, famed North Shore music resort at Chicago. She will appear as a soloist with the same symphonic group at Chicago's Grant

Park during August. Miss Moten, who has attained an enviable reputation as a soprano recently appeared in concert under auspices of the Winds City's Urban League at Crane Auditorium in an appearance which has been hailed the highlight of the Loop's concert season.

### JURY WARNED TO BE ON LOOKOUT FOR NARCOTICS

Judge Feels Nation's Shame Might Spread Into Durham Area

DURHAM — At least one North Carolina county has given indication that it will not be smothered with the infamy that is now covering the name of New York City as far as narcotics are concerned.

A grand jury, after sitting in Durham County for several days, returned Monday that it is necessary for that jury to investigate the possibility of drug being sold in the county. The judge also asked the jury to look into whether or not dealers were being added to the jurisdiction as has been publicly reported throughout the county.

### REPORT EVIDENCE

The Durham County Grand Jury was advised by Judge William T. Hatch to let the Solicitor, W. H. Murdock, or his assistant, Bruce White, know of the circumstances.

**DOUBTS REPORT**

Even though Durham police officials have commented that they know of no instances in which narcotics have been large scale and they have asked special consideration of the charge to the jury.

Durham officials admit that there could be activity in connection with a small scale.



**RETIRES FROM POST** — Dr. Clyde Donnell, secretary and treasurer of the Old North State Medical Society for the past 23 years, retired from this position in Greensboro last week. Dr. Donnell, a 1915 graduate of the Harvard Medical School, is medical director of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company. He had been in charge of the Old North State Medical Society program committee since 1928. Under Dr. Donnell's leadership, the Old North State Medical Society, oldest organization of Negro medical men in the world developed one of the most progressive professional programs in medical association history in this area. Dr. Donnell is married to the former Miss Martha Merrick. They live at 206 Fayetteville Street, Durham.

### INSTITUTE FOR PRACTICAL NURSES HIT

School Head Said To Have Promised Grads Nursing Licenses

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — Dr. W. T. Hogg, who claims he was once a pupil of the Institute for Practical Nurses, was fined \$100 and cost fees by Judge J. C. Souter here last week on a charge of operating a bogus school for Negro practical nurses. The school has been closed.

Accusing against him were nine former students of the Washington Professional College, of which the Institute was a branch school.

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### COLLEGE WANTS ALL OR NOTHING...

DURHAM, N. C. — President Alton Eddy and the trustees of the North Carolina College at Durham turned Thursday down a proposal to expand the College's graduate school to offer Ph. D. work at a meeting here last week.

Adoption of the proposal would

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# State Group Opposed To Any Split In Its Membership



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Raleigh — A "fight to the death" was waged by the North Carolina branch of the NAACP to avert a split in its ranks it was reported here early this week as a result of a controversy over the part of most members of the group's 20-member volunteer staff in the daily press.

Machinery will be set into operation this weekend at Durham and in other cities throughout the state to effect a rift in the ranks of the state branch now being championed by a Warren County farmer.

J. E. Phinney, leader of a clique seeking to create discord in the ranks of the state group and to form what some contend will be "one those Tom NAACP for North Carolina" has announced himself and the clique he heads as opposed to the state NAACP's announced program of seeking equality of education on all levels.

# Medics Propose Fight On Jimcra

GREENSBORO — The State's Negro physicians and surgeons will not accept professional discrimination in hospitals financed through Federal funds, it was learned here last week during the annual meeting of the Old North State Medical Association, the nation's oldest association of Negro medics.

**INSTANCE CITED**

During the 6th annual gathering of the group held on the campus of Bennett College Thursday through Saturday it was revealed that the association is launching immediate action to tear down the bars of discrimination exist in the Alamance General Hospital, Burlington.

At the Burlington hospital, it was pointed out by Dr. M. R. Davis of High Point and chairman of the group's investigating committee, there are two delivery rooms. The hospital, however, has not set aside a treatment room for delivery of

# Need For Housing Seen As Resident Floor Caves In

WINSTON-SALEM — A growing demand for the need for suitable housing for Negro citizens was given here early this week when a "very cheap" rent house caved in, causing the immediate evacuation of its inhabitants and causing "considerable" injury to one of them.

**IN A KITCHEN**

The incident occurred at 731 1/2 North Ridge Avenue where a group of persons were seated attending to affairs known only to them. They were in the kitchen when the entire floor of the house suddenly gave way.

One occupant of the house, Mrs. Esie Mae Duncanson, whose apartment is adjacent to the one destroyed declared "we'd all have been killed, but the Lord must have been in there with us."

**INURED INCOLLAPSE**

George Adams, a resident of North Linden Street who was in the house when the collapse occurred, suffered a slight cut on an ear and a scratch on a knee.

Adams claims that his life was saved when a cabinet under which he was slightly crushed failed to give way when other household articles were arranged.

**AREA OF REPTILES**

The area in which the collapse of a floor, neatly proved fatal to persons within the edifice, is of "reptile" — not ill — locally.

A number of the houses in the immediate locale use heavy wood and steel staves for heating and sanitation purposes. Heavily under-plumbed boxes (instead of refrigerators) are also prevalent.

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# Vandals Loot Home Of Murder Victim

GREENSBORO — Police officials here were still questioning the admitted slayer of a week and a half ago when they were advised that the home of the dead man had been looted by a person who had been classified "vandal" locally.

Miss Retha Chatman Bonham was being questioned in the ice-pick slaying of Walter Mack of 832 Johnson Street when investigators were alerted.

Miss Bonham, however, is scheduled to face charges in the death of Mack. She reportedly admitted being the slayer some two hours after the murder occurred.



**WHAT GOES IN MUST COME OUT** — Leon Burns, 29, lies in bed a Raleigh's Saint Agnes Hospital and looks over the pile of metal removed from his stomach during an emergency operation last weekend. Burns claims that he was made to eat the articles pictured along side him by a group of masked and hooded men in Georgia. He underwent the operation after being observed in a sick condition at the Raleigh Union Bus Terminal. Shown are seven spark plugs and other metal articles Burns claims he was compelled to swallow following a beating by the Georgia mob.

# Alleged Mob Victim Says A Woman Caused It All

BY LIN HOLLOWAY

Raleigh — A cloak of mystery still surrounds the personal history of a man upon whom a precedent-setting operation was performed at a local hospital last week.

Leon Burns, 29, from whose stomach Saint Agnes Hospital physicians removed a complement of metal, including seven spark plugs and varied other discarded articles, is either a victim of Georgia mob violence, a fugitive from a murder charge in Georgia, victim of a Hillsboro, North Carolina mob, or is simply delusional.

**CLAIMED VIOLENCE**

Burns, a slightly built, gray-haired man with an obvious farm background, insists that he is the victim of sadistic mob violence which allegedly occurred some two weeks ago at Jefferson, Ga.

**WOMAN CAUSED IT**

The cause of the mob attack on which resulted in his being obliged to partake of the meal of metal, Burns related, was a woman.

"I had been living with her (the woman) for seven years," Burns recalled from his bed at the local hospital, "and we had a son seven years old. Her name is really Louise Caldwell, but everybody knew her around Jefferson as Louise 'Lore'."

"It was about two weeks ago when I came in from the fields that night when I caught her." The man continued.

"She was there in the bed with a white man," Burns said, "and both of them didn't have on anything."

"I reached up on the wall for my shotgun," Burns continued, "but she told me there wasn't any use in bothering the gun because she had taken the shells out."

Burns noted that he worked as a laborer on a farm owned by James H. Smith at Route 2, Jefferson, Ga. He said he had spent "quite a few" seasons on the Smith farm and had had no previous trouble from his wife or from other sources.

Continuing his story, Burns said he watched while his common-law wife and her erstwhile husband attacked themselves and then was subjected to a "blistering" beating by the white man who threatened to kill him if he should either

BISHOP AND A PECK — James Hopper of Reidsville, 1950 soil conservation champion of North Carolina, has increased his corn yield from eight to 75 bushels per acre. On some acres his yield is over 100 bushels. Mr. Hopper is pictured standing in his 1950 field with some of the product which has made his farm and his efforts the talk of the state.