

# Brothers Team Up To Cop Soap Box Derby Honors

## RACE YOUTH IN WINNERS' CIRCLE AFTER CLASSIC

Youth, 15, Noses Out Brother, 11, To Get Trip To Akron, Ohio

DURHAM — On a hot and humid day, the annual Soap Box Derby classic came to a close here July 4th.

The reason for the "Oh, brother" exclamation lay in the fact that two Negro brothers were finalists in the contest and in the last heat of the race on was bound to — and did, emerge the winner.

Winning the coveted Derby trophy other honors and a chance to represent the City of Durham in the National running of the Derby at Akron, Ohio later this year was Eddie Malloy, 15-year-old student at the local high school, who posed out his 11-year-old brother, Eddie in the final heat of the race.

Curiously, out of a field of 20 entries, the two Malloy brothers and another Negro youth Fred Jefferson, 13, were the only ones to finish.



### John Roman Offers A VOICE FROM THE GRAVE

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Thomas Hargrave, former resident of Lexington, N. C., and now of Bridgeport, Conn., an acquaintance of John Andrew Roman, who died in the gas chamber June 6 for the alleged robbery-murder of a white Lexington spinster, has assumed the role of "A Voice From The Grave" for Roman. In this article, Mr. Hargrave speaks as he believes Roman would speak if he had occasion to return from the grave and do so. Herewith is John Roman's "Voice from the Grave.")

I am dead. But yet I feel that someday my voice will be heard, even from my dark and lonesome grave.

My name? What am I here for? My national origin? Do these questions matter, like so many more that have gone unanswered. Yes I suppose they matter.

You asked me my name. On earth I was known as John Roman. John Andrew Roman, age 29, married, 4 kids, no other relatives. Maybe I should mention that I was a hard working Negro, plain ignorant, just typical Southern.

I was born in Honea Path, S. C., a hamlet I had heard tales of North Carolina. They told me of the fabulous wages you could earn and living conditions a luxury compared to existence in Honea Path. But what impressed me most was the FACT that North Carolina was a very liberal State, where Negroes were concerned. Why in some instances you could work right beside a white man in perfect harmony. So here I am. Dead! I would even go so far as to say, murdered. Accused of mur-

der tried and convicted and murdered.

Murder by the liberal state of North Carolina, not to death by the men I worked beside. The money? Spent. Spent for lawyers and appeals. But the state proved that it was liberal. I was sen-

enced to die in March but received a stay of execution until June. Irony? So to speak, yes.

Tell me why for 29 years of my short life after leading a normal simple life after working hard and keeping to myself. (Character (Continued On Page 8)

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# SLAYER STILL HUNTED

## ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE MARK JULY 4 HOLIDAY

By Carolinian Press Service

RALEIGH — Violence of all kinds marked the few days before and following the long July 4th weekend, a survey by the Carolinian Press Service reveals. Following is a resume of the violence which rocked the state during the period:

### AGING BARBER IS STABBING VICTIM

CHARLOTTE — A 24-year-old white man July 4th was charged with stabbing a Negro barber to death at a rural bus stop, Mecklenburg County police reported.

George Counts, 53, of Route 9, Charlotte, was dead on arrival at a local hospital shortly before midnight Thursday night of a stab wound near his heart.

Police arrested Edward Leroy Potent of Mount Holly and swore out a murder warrant against him. They said he denied having anything to do with the killing.

A preliminary hearing was set for August 1.

Officers said Counts was stabbed shortly after he stepped from a bus near his home. They said they had not yet uncovered any motive but apparently an argument took place.

### HEAT KILLS MAN IN WARREN AREA

WARRENTON — A 65-year-old man who took a nap in the blazing sun Friday afternoon never awoke from his slumber. Coroner J. Edward Petar announced here.

Petar said Nathan Clanton of Embro was invited to ride to Warrenton with a friend. Clanton consented to the trip, and the men remained in Warrenton several hours longer than Clanton expected.

When the men returned to Embro, Clanton got out of the car 200 yards from his home and there decided to take a nap, Petar said. He never woke up.

### TWO CAR CRASH INJURES WOMAN

GREENSBORO — Miss Rosa Godfrey of Siler City, was treated for shock at L. Richardson Memorial Hospital Monday following an accident at the corner of Spring and West Market Streets.

Police said the injury was result of a collision of automobiles driven by Charlie Bristol Horton of Siler City, and Ralph Johns of 112 East Avondale Street. Damage was estimated at about \$800.

### MAN IS KILLED BY MOVING TRAIN

SMITHFIELD — James R. Rowland, 22-year-old resident of Clayton, Rowland was instantly killed at 4:30 o'clock July 4th afternoon by a southbound Atlantic Coastline passenger train.

Rowland was killed when he stepped from behind a boxcar directly into the path of the oncoming train near the ACL depot here. G. V. Moore of Smithfield says the fatal accident occurred when Acting Coroner V. J. Underwood ruled the death accidental and said an inquest would be unnecessary.

### YOUTH DIES AS BICYCLE IS HIT

CHARLOTTE — A nine-year-old boy, Donald Goler Edwards, fell from his bicycle and was crushed to death beneath the wheel of a Duke Power Company bus a block from mid-town Charlotte July 3rd.

Police said the boy rode his bicycle between the moving bus and a parked car. The bike struck the side of the parked car and overturned, bouncing the youth beneath the right rear wheel of the bus. His head was crushed. He was dead on arrival at Good Samaritan Hospital. P. A. Williams, the bus driver, said he did not see the boy.

## VICIOUS SLAYER OF RALEIGH MAN HUNTED; SAID TO BE BLAKELY

RALEIGH — An extensive search was still underway at CAROLINIAN presstime here this week for the vicious shot-slayer of a Raleigh man.

A man who has been tentatively identified as one Otis Blakely was at Wednesday noon the target of a manhunt which spreads over three states. He is being sought in connection with the slaying of Gaither Alfred Allen, about 40, of 827 Manley Street here, who was found lying in a pool of his own blood, mortally wounded July 4th night.

Allen, who was unable to name his assailant before he died, was discovered by police officers lying in a ditch before the house located at No. 22 McKee Street on the holiday night. He had been at close range by a shotgun allegedly wielded by Blakely and was dead upon arrival at a local hospital.

Local police officers immediately launched a search for Allen's assailant, who according to rumor, was in the Raleigh area as late as Sunday.

The search was spread into adjoining areas when efforts of officers to locate the assail-



GAITHER ALLEN — His Killer Sought

ant identified as Blakely proved (Continued On Page 8)

## Raleigh Citizens Slate Meet Of Top Importance

RALEIGH — Due to the recent decision of the Wake County Board of Commissioners to call a bond election for the purpose of enlarging and improving the Rex and St. Agnes Hospitals, the Raleigh Citizens Association is urging all interested citizens to attend a special meeting at the Bloodworth Street YMCA Tuesday evening, July 15 at 8 p. m. Since this is a matter concerning the expenditure of public funds, all citizens are requested to be present and discuss the interests of participation.

Representatives from the St. Agnes Hospital board of trustees will be present to present and discuss the

## Baby Is Unfazed As Car Runs Wild, Has Series Of Wrecks

SMITHFIELD — Captain Marvel is a pretty rugged fellow, and Superman has gotten out of some fairly tough situations without a scratch, but both are mere weaklings when the baby daughter of Sam Green of Philadelphia is on the scene. Green's power was revealed when the car driven by her father began acting up, ran off the highway on one side, struck two cars, then shot back across the highway to strike another car.

Some serious, aghast screams. Nope, Baby Green didn't get out, hoist the car out of the ditch and propel it along its way. She merely slept thru it all. And while the car was acting up and Baby Green was sleeping, her father, mother, grand-mother and another passenger were receiving injuries — some serious.

Baby Green merely awakened for a moment, looked about the scene and went serenely back to sleep. Her father had to make a trip to the courthouse where he was booked on charges of reckless driving.



WELL, THIS IS IT — Edward Malloy, left, with trophy shows his mother and younger brother how the Soap Box Derby Trophy looks. Edward was the winner in the Durham Derby July 4th winning over his brother John (center) in the final heat. The Malloy brothers were two of three Negroes entered in a field of twenty contestants. Edward, by winning the local contest, will represent the city of Durham in the Akron, Ohio national championship race. John and Edward are the sons of Mrs. Katie Malloy Davis, seen in photo.



## Rights Compromise By Demos Is Urged By N. C. Governor

RALEIGH — Gov. Kerr Scott of North Carolina told his regular press conference this week that he believes that a compromise on civil rights Fair Employment Practices issues now plaguing the Republican convention session which will go into session July 22.

Like other Southern governors, Gov. Scott believes that FPCC should be a matter of local and state-level action. Legislatively and the North Carolina chief executive said that he further feels that the Democratic party will and should be able to carry the South even with the inclusion of a civil rights plank in the party platform.

The gist of the governors' pronouncements on the coming convention which he will attend in a body with the state's delegates, is a voluntary civil rights action as opposed to a compulsory one.

## Fayetteville College Eyes \$2 Million Building Drive

### STATE'S NAACP BRANCH LAUDED

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kelly M. Alexander, president, North Carolina Conference of NAACP Branches received the Thalhimer Award of \$50 for the Conference which from Dr. E. A. Johnson, president, Louisiana State Conference of NAACP Branches at the Branch Awards Dinner during the sessions of the 43rd Annual Convention of the NAACP here last week.

The North Carolina Conference was cited for intervening in the case of Mack Ingram, convicted of assault upon a white girl in Caswell County. This assault supposedly took place at a distance of 75 feet.

### College Board Meets And Maps Program

FAYETTEVILLE — The Board of Trustees of the Fayetteville State Teachers College meeting at the college on July 2 voted to request of the legislature two million dollars for a building and expansion program. Included in the proposed program are teaching and art buildings, a central heating plant, additions to the laundry, landscaping and improving the grounds, seating and lighting for the South Athletic Field, and renovation of Vance Hall and the Mechanics Arts building.

A resolution was passed requesting the Advisory Budget Commission to recommend sufficient funds for the teaching staff to assure membership in the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. Among other actions of the Board was the granting a leave of absence to Dean J. H.

### EX-ALUMNI HEAD IS DUE HONORS

NEW YORK — M. S. Johnson, former executive secretary of the National Alumni Association of the North Carolina College at Durham is now pursuing courses at New York University that will make him eligible to receive a teacher-educator certificate at the end of the summer term.

A native of Beckingham, N. C., Johnson has had experiences as teacher, principal, Boys Scout Executive, and alumni association administrator. Prior to coming to North Carolina College in 1947, Johnson served as a Field Scout Executive in Newport News, Va., Charleston, S. C., and in Durham. The former Scout executive was educated at North Carolina College and he has received additional training in summer terms and special sessions at A and T College, Greensboro, Boy Scouts Executive Training, Mendham, N. J., Buck Hill Fall, Pa., and at



PVT. JOHN COLEMAN — Drowning Victim

## 20-YEAR-OLD G. I. DROWNS NEAR GARNER

GARNER — The holiday funnough of a well-known Wake County soldier was brought to an abrupt end here Saturday when the young G. I. drowned in a swimming pond.

John Coleman, 20-year-old 82nd Airborne Division private of Fort Bragg drowned while on a swimming trip with friends at Taylor Pond.

Members of the swimming party told investigating officers that Coleman, the father of a young child, suddenly screamed for help and then went down into about 20 feet of water.

Efforts by companions to help the drowning man proved (Continued On Page 8)



NCC FACULTY MEMBERS TO SEE THE WORLD — These three North Carolina College women are shown here studying a map of the world on the eve of their departure for a two month's tour of Europe. Left to right are Mrs. Gertrude Taylor, wife of North Carolina College psychology Professor James E. Taylor; Miss Pauline Newton, professor of English, and Miss Ruth G. Rush, professor of Education and president of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs. They are the first of several North Carolina College faculty members who will visit and study in England.