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Despondent Young Woman Takes Own Life With Pistol

LOCAL ABC OFFICER MURDERS NEGRO

James McNeal Shot To Death And Badly Beaten By Policeman Wilkie

One of the most brutal crimes in the annals of Durham was committed here last Friday afternoon when T. D. Wilkie, member of the local ABC squad, forced his way into the home of James McNeal, employee of Liggett and Myers tobacco company, and clubbed and shot him to death. McNeal resided at 2309 Pettigrew street.

Wilkie who has a reputation of beating up and blackjacking Negroes upon the least provocation went to the home of McNeal apparently in search of Stanley. According to occupants of the home he attempted to enter through the screen door, but found it hooked. He was accompanied to the home by Officers R. B. Bobbitt and T. L. Bailey. Bobbitt also has a reputation of clubbing Negroes.

When the officers found the doors to the home fastened one of them is said to have kicked the screen to the front door off and entered. He accosted McNeal with the remarks, "You are a smart s--- of a b---. You think you are slick," the officer is alleged to have said.

It was stated to representatives of the Carolina Times that one of the officers then started clubbing McNeal over the head, and when he saw a third coming in the back door he grabbed a glass setting on a hearth and threw it at him. The glass struck Wilkie in the face, cutting several small gashes. Wilkie is said to have then pulled out his pistol and shot McNeal. When the Negro fell to the floor mortally wounded the officers continued to club him over the head according to a statement of his wife.

CHAMPIONSHIP SMILE



It was too much Armstrong and too much strong arm when Barney Ross met the pugilistic sensation of the age in Madison Square Garden on last Tuesday night. The above picture shows Henry in that victory and characteristic smile of his that spell victory and another championship.

When the man's wife attempted to enter the room where the fight was going on and come to the rescue of her husband, one of the officers threatened to beat her up if she did. Not until the man had been beaten into insensibility and his head was almost a pulp did the officers stop their bloody rampage, it is said. The only gesture of human beings was when they took McNeal in the car and started to the hospital with him. It is alleged that even on the way to the hospital...

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N. C. C. GRADUATES

FIFTY-SIX

Commencement week will begin at North Carolina College on Sunday, June 5, with the baccalaureate sermon to be preached by Rev. A. Clayton Powell, Jr., pastor of the Abyssinia Baptist Church in New York. The college presents for graduation this year fifty-six students who have met the requirements set up by those in authority.

The commencement proper will take place Tuesday morning, June 7, at ten o'clock. The speaker will be Dr. Ralph W. Sockman. Diplomas and prizes will be awarded.

These activities will take place in E. N. Duke Auditorium.

LINCOLN HOSPITAL GRADUATES RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

Three graduates of the Lincoln Hospital training school received their diplomas Monday night May 30 at exercises held in the White Rock Baptist Church. The principal speaker was Professor A. Henningburg, assistant to the President of the North Carolina College for Negroes.

Music was furnished by the Lincoln Hospital Glee Club. Diplomas were presented by Dr. E. P. Norris, president of the hospital staff, and prizes by Mrs. Carrie Dunn, president of the alumnae association. Miss Catherine B. Dixon of Roanoke, Va., received the "J. W. V. Cordice" award for surgery. Miss Carrie Mae Henderson of Greenville, S. C. received the "Junior Lady Board" award for the highest scholastic record. Miss Julia M. Simpson of Ashboro, N. C. received the "R. P. Randolph" award for the most courteous nurse and the "M. Hugh Thompson" prize for the nurse whose personality most exemplified the true spirit of nursing.

A dance sponsored by the alumnae association followed the exercises.

The next meeting in Durham in 1940.

The keynote address delivered by Chairman Taylor was as follows:

This meeting today, Taylor said, "is a testimony to the good sense of the Negro race as well as to the inherent fairness, the growing liberalism and increasing understanding of the southern white man. Both races," he said, "have come to understand that here in the south our destiny is indissolubly bound together. We go up together or we stay down together. We must and we shall, working cooperatively, build for ourselves and our children here in our common southland, a civilization dedicated to the principles of the 'pursuit of life, liberty and happiness.'"

"For three hundred years," he said, "Negroes have labored in the south. No people in the history of the world have been more loyal or devoted. We have tilled the forests, tilled the soil, spanned the rivers and the streams with bridges, built the roads and the cities, laid the rails all the way across the continent."

The above class which will be featured in the commencement exercises of Hillside high school Thursday evening, at the new City Armory numbers 84 in all. While this year's class is by no means the largest it is one of the best in scholarship that has been turned out from the local high school. The baccalaureate sermon was preached Sunday morning at St. Joseph A. M. E. church by Dr. J. A. Valentine, pastor of St. Joseph. The members of the class do not appear on the above picture.

VICTIMS OF ABC SQUADS BLOODY RAMPAGE



The photo at the left is that of James McNeal, employee of the Liggett and Myers Tobacco company, who was murdered in his home last week by Policeman T. D. Wilkie who went there



company with two other officers in search of whiskey. Those at the right are members of the family of the murdered man. The murder was the climax of a series of brutal beatings of Negroes which have been engaged in by the ABC squad for the past several weeks. The Committee on Negro Affairs has employed Attorney C. O. Pearson to prosecute the cases.

Catherine Savage Shoots Herself At Home Of Friend; Was N.C. College Senior

Despondent over the fact she was unable to continue her college education, Miss Catherine Savage, 22-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Savage of 1007 Glenn street, shot herself here Tuesday afternoon at the home of Benjamin L. Hicks, 508 Dunbar street.

The bullet which was fired from a 38 calibre pistol entered the abdomen of the young woman and then ploughed its way entirely through her body. She was rushed to Lincoln hospital in a dying condition where physicians labored hard in a futile attempt to save her life. Miss Savage died at 2:15 P. M. Wednesday.

The deceased was a graduate of Hillside Park High school and a senior at the North Carolina College. She was born and reared in Durham, and had lived here all of her life. She was well known by a large number of people, many of whom

she had worked for from time to time in an effort to obtain an education.

According to information obtained by representatives of the Carolina Times Miss Savage left the college around one o'clock and went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hicks on Dunbar street. She was a frequent visitor in the home where on several occasions she had helped Mrs. Hicks with house cleaning, and various other duties about the home. Mrs. Hicks stated to the Times representatives that when Miss Savage came in the house she sat on the settee in the living room and started crying. "I was busy preparing the noon meal, and as soon as I could insisted that she tell me what was her trouble. When Miss Savage went up stairs I paid no special attention to it, as she had free access to the home. In a few minutes I heard a pistol fire and

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TAKES OWN LIFE



MISS CATHERINE SAVAGE, N. C. College senior who shot herself here this week when she became despondent over the fact

BARNEY ROSS LOSES WELTERWEIGHT CROWN TO HARD-HITTING NEGRO

NEW YORK, May 31.—Hard-hitting and dynamic Henry Armstrong decisively pounded his way to the Welterweight championship of the world here tonight before 30,000 fight fans that saw the human buzz-saw slash and cut his opponent Barney Ross in one of the most amazing exhibitions of prize-fighting in pugilistic history.

How Ross was able to stand up for 15 rounds under such awful pounding as he received at the hands of Armstrong was almost as astonishing as Henry's demonstration of his fine physical condition and prize-fighting ability. So completely beaten was Ross that the unanimous decision which came at the end of the 15 rounds of continuous blasting by Armstrong was a mere formality.

Armstrong's defeat of Ross created a new record in pugilistic history. The sensational little Negro jumped out of his class and over another to take the welterweight crown from Ross who outweighed him nine pounds. Ross already is holder of the world's featherweight championship.

The courage of Ross and his refusal to quit, when he had been advised to do so by his handlers, gained the admiration

of most of the cheering throng who marvelled at his stamina and determination to go the entire 15 rounds under most grueling circumstances. Many a fighter has quit after receiving a much lesser beating than Ross received on last Tuesday night.

With his right eye completely closed in the seventh, Ross fought the rest of the road under one head light. Several times he made a strenuous effort to fight back, but the continuous pounding of Armstrong had taken its toll of the champion's strength and he was unable to muster enough fight to impress his opponent.

The first six rounds were close and exciting. Several times the crowd went frenzied in the early rounds as both men stood toe to toe and refused to give ground under a bombardment of rights and lefts that almost paralyzed the arena.

The first six rounds were fought on even terms, according to the press score card. Round seven was taken from Armstrong because of a low blow. This apparently aroused the ire of the little fellow, and he came back in the eighth under high steam that blasted all hopes of the champion of retaining his crown. From then on it was only a matter of when the end would come.

Young High School Head Exonerated At Meeting Wed.

BURLINGTON, June 2.—Education asking for the suspension of Prof. C. J. Johnson, principal of the Burlington high school until "certain rumors" against him could be cleared up a meeting here tonight with the superintendent of schools L. E. Spikes, members of the board of education, members of the Burlington Civic Club and other interested persons completely exonerated Mr. Johnson from all charges of disorderly conduct and labelled the rumors as malicious.

In an interview last week, Mr. Johnson told a representative of the Carolina Times that the rumors which seriously involved his character were false, and that he was anxious to learn the source from which they came in order that he might enter suit against the person or persons responsible for attempting to damage his character.

Prof. Johnson is rounding out his first year as head of the local high school, and came here from Rutherfordton, N. C., where he was connected with the schools of that city. He is originally from Florida. He succeeded Prof. W. H. Peace as head of the Burlington high school. Prof. Peace is still a member of the high school faculty, and is considered very efficient as an instructor.

Several citizens interviewed in Burlington last week stated that there seems to be a general dissatisfaction because of the demotion of Prof. Peace from the head position in the school. (Continued on back page)

Negro Democrats Rally And Elect Taylor Chairman

With delegates from Orange, Alamance, Person, Granville, Guilford, Caswell and Durham counties in attendance, the meeting of the Negro Democratic convention and rally of the sixth congressional district, the tenth judicial district and the sixteenth senatorial district was a decided success here on last Saturday.

The program, which was broadcast over station WDNC, was opened at 2:00 P. M. by D. B. Martin, agency supervisor of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company and ardent political leader of Durham. Mr. Martin opened the meeting by introducing J. H. Wheeler who made the welcome address to the visiting delegates.

The meeting was presided over by James T. Taylor, dean of men at the North Carolina College. Mr. Taylor who was the keynote speaker for the occasion presided over the meeting and was elected permanent chairman of the convention. Other speakers on the program were R. L. McDougald, Vice-President and Cashier of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank and Attorney M. L. Thompson, candidate for the Durham County Board of Commissioners and L. E. Austin, candi-

DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN



JAS. T. TAYLOR, dean of men at the North Carolina College who was elected chairman of the Democratic Convention which was held here last Saturday. Dean Taylor delivered the keynote address at the convention.

didate for the Durham County Board of Education, and T. D. Parham, trust officer of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank. Due to the infancy of the or-

1938 GRADUATING CLASS OF HILLSIDE PARK HIGH SCHOOL



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