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### National Negro Ins. Meet In Cleveland

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### BROWN BOMBER SETTLES SCORE IN ONE ROUND

YANKEE STADIUM, NEW YORK, Wednesday, June 22nd (Special)—It was a different Joe Louis who faced Max Schmeling, ex-champion and German challenger for the heavyweight crown, last night from the Louis who went down to defeat before the right hand onslaught of Schmeling two years ago.

More than 80,000 fans, many of whom had travelled from as far away as Europe to witness this greatest of all the fist spectacles were dumb-founded at the quick work of the champion. Many of them could not believe it was over. Many of them, latecomers, never got to their seats before they were met by the crowd leaving the stadium.

If JOE LOUIS has proved a great fighter in the past he proved a greater fighter tonight, if not the greatest fighter to ever wear the heavy-weight crown. Schmeling never had a chance, and his dumb-founded look as he went down for the first count of four plainly showed that he was of the opinion that he was not in the ring with the same man he faced two years ago.

Schmeling was the first to enter the ring, and his appearance (PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 8)



JOE LOUIS

### Vocational Meet Held In Gate City June 14

GREENSBORO, N. C. — The two men were absent for the first seminar. The following persons were present for the first held their annual conference at session, W. N. Elam, Federal Agent for Agricultural Education, H. L. Trigg, State High School Inspector, R. E. Jones, State 4-H Club Leader, and Roy M. Thomas, State Supervisor of Vocational Agricultural Education.

S. C. Anderson, teacher of agriculture at Pender Co. Tr. School, presided over the meeting which was held at Waters Training School. A welcome address was made by Prof. H. C. Freeland, Principal of the School. L. Trigg, State High School Inspector of Negro schools spoke on the general policies which should be set up and followed by school principals and vocational teachers. W. N. Elam, Federal Agent in his address to the teachers called their attention to certain rural problems which should be of major importance to teachers of agriculture. The health problem, and the housing problem were discussed by the Agent. In his closing remarks, he stated that the Negro teachers in the south were leading the country in that they have a better prepared program when all factors have been considered. This improvement is based on a study of vocational agriculture work throughout the U. S. by H. R. Simmons reported that only

### CITIZENS OFFER FINGER PRINTS TO AID POLICE HUNT

GREENSBORO, N. C., June 23, (ANP) In an effort to cooperate with local authorities, about 75 colored residents here last Monday offered to have their finger prints checked with those of an assailant who Saturday night struck Mrs. Alex Waller, white over the head with a pistol.

Mrs. Waller, it was reported, was struck by a unidentified Negro in the dining room of her home as she went there to investigate noises. She received severe lacerations. The intruder left finger prints on china ware Sheriff Calvin Hollis said. A posse, using bloodhounds, trailed the man but failed to find him. The sheriff said he may accept the offer of the 75 colored citizens if the assailant is not captured.

### TWO PERSONS INJURED IN WRECK NEAR REIDSVILLE

REIDSVILLE, June 23rd, (Special) Among those who were victims of work and accidents in the vicinity of Reidsville were Aaron Brown, 21 and Lorenzo Jones, 22, of Ruffin who were injured in an automobile accident. They were admitted to Memorial Hospital, where Brown received treatment for a broken right leg and collarbone and two broken ribs. Jones only remained at the hospital overnight as his wounds were not very serious. He had tendons cut in the right hand and cuts on the back of the hands and wrists.

### Error Found In Charge Against Murderer

RALEIGH, June 22nd, The state supreme court granted a new trial today to ED ALSTON, Durham Negro convicted last February of murdering Mrs. Janie Wilkerson, 103 year old resident of Piedmont avenue. The court found error in the charge made to the jury by Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn.

The opinion, which was written by Judge A. A. F. Seawell, stated that Judge Burgwyn had charged the jury that the defendant had to prove to the jury beyond a reasonable doubt that he was drunk at the time he committed the murder which was contrary to the law in this state. The North Carolina statute read that the defendant must prove that he was drunk to the satisfaction of the jury. Alston was under sentence of death, and the new trial granted him a new fighting chance for his life, if he is able to prove that he was too drunk at the time he committed the crime to know what he was doing.

Mrs. Wilkerson was found with her head crushed in last December 24 at the home of

her granddaughter. She died later at Duke hospital from the result of the injuries, but her granddaughter who was also beaten over the head with a piece of stove wood while she was lying asleep across a bed in another room finally recovered. Two days after the attacks ALSTON was arrested and finally confessed to the murder of the elderly woman and an attack on her granddaughter. Robbery was given as the motive.

When the case finally came to trial Alston repudiated his confession on the stand, stating that he was afraid not to sign the confession for fear of being beaten by the police. He testified that he was drunk most of the day and had no remembrance of what he had done during the time.

The court appointed C. W. Hall and Edmund Meyer both of Durham to represent the defendant who appealed the case with 33 exceptions being listed. Steps of his attorney for a new trial was based on the fact however that the judge erred in his charge to the jury.

### NAACP Reviser Compromise Agreement In D.C. Branch Case

NEW YORK, The proposed compromise between the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the District of Columbia branch of the NAACP, Inc., drawn up in May was revised so drastically by the board of directors of the association at its meeting June 13 that the suit of the national body to prevent the use of its name by certain individuals in the District of Columbia will probably be set down for a finished legal fight in the courts next fall.

The agreement recognized the validity of the election of January 15, 1937, which was the chief bone of contention. In its revision, the national board of directors refused to concede the legality of the January, 15, 1937, election, and January 14 be recognized.

The revised agreement also stipulated that no monies or assets raised by the regular D. C. branch of the NAACP be the newly incorporated branch. It was the position of the national board of directors that the failure of the District of Columbia branch to abide by its order to hold another election in place of the protested one of January 15 1937 constituted an act of insubordination. This act was further aggravated by the fact that three officers of the D. C. branch, John C. Bruce, president; A. S. Pinkett, secretary and John T. Rhines, treasurer, secretly incorporated the branch without the knowledge of the national officers or of the executive committee of the branch in order to escape

### GETS NEW TRIAL



ED. ALSTON convicted last February of murdering Mrs. Janie Wilkerson, 103 year old Piedmont avenue woman, who was granted a new trial by the North Carolina supreme court Wednesday.

### WHITE GEORGIA DAILY BUYS SUBSCRIPTION TO CALVIN SERVICE

NEW YORK, (C) G. R. Boxwell, general manager of the Augusta Herald, daily newspaper of Augusta, Ga. with 24,000 circulation, sent the paper's check last week for \$25 for subscription to Calvin's News Service news releases for one year, on behalf of Walter S. Harris, editor of the colored news department of the Herald. The Service was recommended to Mr. Harris by Dr. Channing H. Tobias, New York Y executive, who is a native of Augusta. On receipt of the check, Floyd J. Calvin, editor, announced that this is the second daily newspaper to take the service by the year and pay cash, the first being the Atlanta Daily World, only Negro daily in the country.

### ETHIOPIAN RUNS AMOK IN ROME, SLASHES FOUR WITH SWORD

ROME, Italy, June 18rd, (ANP) Four persons, an army officer a butcher's boy and two Fascist militiamen, were wounded here last Wednesday when an Ethiopian ran amok with a sword, slashing furiously at all who came within striking distance.

The incident occurred before the monument commemorating the Italian soldiers who were slaughtered by Ethiopian at Dogali in 1887. A gilded lion of Judah taken in Addis Ababa during the recent Ethiopian campaign, is at the base of the monument. The Ethiopian was observed praying aloud before the lion of Judah when an army captain stepped up. The kneeling man suddenly sprang to his feet, pulled forth the scimitar and woulded the captain severely.

A butcher's delivery boy, near by, hurled his bicycle at the Ethiopian, in turn slashed by the man. Two Fascist militiamen were also cut, but in the melee one of them fired four shots which felled the sword wielder.

Justice Bailey said the case would be calendared for the October term of Court.

CALIFORNIANS CHARM INSURANCE EXECUTIVES



Mrs. William Nickerson, Jr. and Miss E. Nickerson, charming wife and daughter of William Nickerson, Jr., president of the thriving Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Los Angeles, California, who accompanied Mr. Nickerson to the National Insurance Association annual meeting held last week in Cleveland, Ohio.

The attractive Californians were the center of much attention from the insurance executives and social circles in the various cities where they visited in the East. Stops were made at Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, New York, Washington, Durham and Tuskegee Institute. Son Melvin accompanied the party, his chief objective being the Joe Louis-Max Schmeling bout.

### Eighteen States Represented At Gathering

CLEVELAND, June 22.—(By M. C. Clarke for ANP)—At its 18th annual meeting here Wednesday through Friday, the National Negro Insurance Association elected Louis C. Blount president. Other officers elected were Dr. P. P. Creuzot, 1st vice president; C. R. Alexander, 2nd vice president; Dr. Julian Kelso, 4th vice president; C. L. Townes, secretary; A. M. Carter, assistant secretary; H. L. Street, treasurer; Howard W. Russell, chaplain; Ana T. Spaulding, actuary; M. M. Hickerson, statistician; J. Leonard Lewis, general counsel; and M. S. Stuart, historian.

Attendance this year at the convention of the association, the only national organization of Negro insurance men, set a new record. Approximately 200 delegates from 18 states and the District of Columbia were in attendance, representing 35 companies.

A production slightly in excess of \$14,000,000 was reported for the week from May 9-14 by the Committee on National Negro Insurance Week, and special certificates were awarded by the association to the agencies and agents producing specified amounts of insurance.

One of the convention highlights was the annual message of the retiring president, G. D. Rodgers. In his address he outlined and recommended a constructive program of operation for the association.

The public meeting was held at Antioch Baptist church Wednesday evening, J. F. Morning, Cleveland manager of the Supreme Liberty Life, was master of ceremonies. The principal address was delivered by Robert L. Vann, editor of the Pittsburgh Courier, on "The Progress of Negro Business Financed by Negro Capital." Mr. Vann was introduced by Harry H. Pace, president of the Supreme Liberty Life of Chicago. Others on the program were Fred W. Ramsey, welfare director of Cleveland; L. B. Biakemore, deputy superintendent of insurance of Ohio; the Rev. Oliver B. Quick, pastor of Cory M. E. church; Harry Davis, M. C. Clarke, president of Dunbar Mutual of Cleveland, and W. O. Walker, editor of Cleveland Call and Post. The response on behalf of the association was made by Thomas J. Walker, v. president of the Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance Co.

The business sessions were held in the auditorium of the Phillis Wheatley association. Among those who delivered addresses were George W. Cox, chairman of the "National Negro Insurance Week" committee, A. T. Spaulding, A. Maceo Walker, Attorney B. V. Lawson Jr., L. C. Blount, Miss Esther O. Tibbs, and Miss Bernice Sanders. The Supreme Liberty Life Insurance company of Chicago and the Dunbar Mutual Insurance society of Cleveland were hosts to the convention. Of the new officers elected, L. C. Blount is vice president-secretary of the Great Lakes Mutual (PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 8)

### Beaufort County Farmer Uncovers Small Fortune While Ploughing

WASHINGTON, N. C., June 23, (Special) While ploughing on the farm of Dallas Jordan, in Beaufort county about three weeks ago, his adopted son turned up three dull colored bars of metal which turned out to worth thousands.

The bars were said to be gold after an inspection by a jeweler and an assayer to whom the bars were sent said that they were of very high gold content. After selling a small amount to a local jeweler, Jordan sent the remainder to Washington, D. C. where it was found to be worth between \$1,500 and \$1,600.

The spot where the gold was found in near the old mill site at Jordan's Creek, near Winsteadville. One story about the gold is that it is pirate treasure left by Edward Teach, (Black Beard) who roamed the waters

### ANOTHER "GHOST" — NUDE MAN ROAMS OVER OLD MERIDIAN HILL

WASHINGTON, N. C., June 22—(ANP)—Residing in the Meridian Hill neighborhood where once stood the old Meridian Seminary, a colored man in the neighborhood was roaming through the woods in the night wearing a pair of shoes and a pair of pants, although a search was made (PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 8)

of the Pamlico River frequented the creek. It was said to be a ghost. When Jordan was ploughing the ground was where some of the members of the Seminary were buried. However, he said, the importance of the discovery here might be