

New England Governor Saves Carolina Soldier

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APOLOGY

Due to an unexpected amount of persons wishing to give expressions of felicitation to Prof. Charles M. Eppes, in this issue of the Carolina Times, we find it impossible to publish all of them this week. Those omitted will be published in next week's issue of the Times.

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YOUNG WOMAN KILLED IN BRAWL

State Convention IBPOEW Meet In Durham

Greenville Educator Honored

West Durham Woman Killed By Irate Friend In Fracas Monday

Accused S. C. Man's Extradition Papers Unsigned By Governor

Boston, Mass. — A possible lynching was averted and a blow against a mob rule struck when Governor Leverett Saltonstall of this state returned, unsigned and unnoted, extradition papers for Private Andrews Harmon Ford, formerly of Cheraw, S. C., to the governor of South Carolina, on May 16.

Unsung hero in the case is Levi G. Byrd, treasurer of the Cheraw branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People who endangered his life to notify the Boston branch and national office of NAACP of the case and to urge that they not prevent Ford from being returned to South Carolina.

Private Ford has returned to Camp Edwards near here where he enlisted after fleeing an angry southern mob. He was accused of having assaulted with intent to kill, Frank Stokes, of Cheraw. Ford was attacked on a Cheraw street by Stokes and several other men who kicked and beat him. In self defense he slashed Stokes with a knife, escaped and made his way to Boston.



Rev. G. W. Avant, former pastor of The Pine Street Presbyterian Church, now retired, and Grand Chaplain of The I. B. P. O. E. W., who is to be appropriately honored for his many years of service to the order at the Thursday Night's session of the convention.

State Elks Convene Here For Three-Day Convention Today

Durham — With almost two thousand delegates and visitors present the three-day session of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of The World got underway here Wednesday A. M.

The list of high state and national dignitaries read like a "Blue Book of Elksdom." A contingent of Washingtonians headed by Grand Exalter Ruler J. Finley Wilson, and the Grand Commissioner of Education, also Legal Advisor to The NAACP, Judge W. E. Hueston were early arrivals on the convention scene.

The three-day session of the convention, presided over by President, J. Hubbard, Durham County Farm Agent culminated Friday with the Annual Elk's Ball, which was held in The Armory Auditorium of the city.

Luther Tyson Succumbs At Home

Durham. — Luther Tyson, well known local young man, died at his home, 316 Matthew street, Monday, May 26, after an extended illness.

The funeral will be held at Gholston Thursday, May 29 at three o'clock.

Service, Fidelity, and Loyalty



Professor C. M. Eppes, Principal of the Industrial High School of Greenville, N. C., whose untiring efforts for the cause of Negro Youth have earned for him a niche in the annals of the state's most outstanding educators, and have won for him a host of friends and admirers from both races throughout the State of North Carolina.

Noted Teacher Ends 65th Year's Work; Hale, Hearty, Happy

Symbolic of men who have gone down in history as devoting their lives to causes which they believed to have been right and just is the career of Prof. C. M. Eppes, Supervising Principal of the Negro school of Greenville, North Carolina. Prof. Eppes is now eighty-three years old and has devoted his entire life to services in North Carolina. He has served in the public schools of the state for sixty-five years; thirty-eight

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Powell and Odum Will Be A. and T. Finals Speakers

Greensboro — A and T College will hold its forty-third annual commencement exercises beginning Friday May 30, and continuing through Monday, June 2nd. Seventy six seniors are candidates for Bachelor of arts degrees and student is slated to receive the degree of Master of Science.

Dr. A. Clayton Powell, Junior, pastor of Abyssinian Baptist church, New York City, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 11 a. m. next Sunday morning. The following Monday night at 7 p. m. Dr. Howard W. Odum, pro-

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Mrs. McCrorey Is Anti-Crime Speaker

C. A. Irvin, Public Relations Director of The Carolina Times highlighted his last Sunday's "Crime Does Not Pay" address, the first in a series of five Queen City Anti-Crime Broadcasts, over Radio Station WSOC, Charlotte, with the following pertinent statements: "Prosperity, happiness, good order, respect for property—all these spring from character, the intelligence and the culture of the people. After all, if we are going to solve the crime problem, if we are going to reduce crime, it will be accomplished by placing our civic ideals on a higher plane." The second address in the series is to be delivered this Sunday by Mrs. H. L. McCrorey, prominent civic worker of Charlotte, and one of the city's leading anti-crime campaigners. Mrs. McCrorey's address is scheduled to be heard over Radio Station WSOC at 9:30 a. m.

CITY OF GREENVILLE

Office of the Mayor
GREENVILLE, N. C.

B. B. SUGG Mayor May 26, 1941

VALUABLE CITIZEN

Mr. C. A. Irvin, Public Relations Director, The Carolina Times, Durham, North Carolina.

Dear Sir:

I consider Professor C. M. Eppes one of the most valuable living citizens in our City and State. He is truly a statesman. I have known him many years and the betterment of his race has always been his paramount thought. He believes if we are to be happy, we must think happy thoughts. I honor him for a life devoted to improving the opportunities of his own race and because he has been an Apostle of good will and friendly relationship between both races. He is a Christian gentleman, and in my opinion, ranks along with Booker T. Washington, who has immortalized himself in demonstrating that progress can always be achieved, when there is determination, and the objective is worthy.

Yours very truly,

B. B. SUGG, Mayor.

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State President



J. C. Hubbard, energetic Durham County Farm Agent, and President of the state's I. B. P. O. E. W., who is presiding over the Annual State Convention in its three day sessions here. Under President Hubbard's guidance the state order has made marked progress within the past year.

Trial Opens In S. C. Election Refusal

Anderson, S. C. — Trial opened here Monday, May 26, in the Gaffney, S. C. election case which began in August, 1940 when election officials flatly refused to permit seven eligible Negro voters to register in the presidential primaries, and slammed the door in the face of three others.

According to the affidavit one of the election officials is said to have told the prospective voters, "Darkies ain't never registered in Cherokee county. Unless the law is given, we will not register you."

The trial Monday is the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation which has brought about by action by the NAACP.

Brawl Victim



Mary Ruth Walker, 22-year-old Burch Alley resident, who was mortally wounded by Francis Burt, a former friend, and resident of Fourth street, last Monday morning.

Francis Burt, 26, resident of 1024 Fourth Street, in the Walltown section was arrested earlier this week and hooked at local Police headquarters on an open charge of murder. It is alleged that Miss Burt fired two bullets from a 32 calibre pistol into the body of Mary Ruth Walker, 22, resident of Burch Alley in the West-end section.

The killing which took place about 10:30 a. m. Monday, was seemingly the outgrowth of differences between the two. According to a statement given police by Adrian Journigan, a driver employed by the Blue Taxi Company, Miss Burt summoned a taxi to her Fourth Street address and asked to be driven to the Jackson Street section. As the cab reached the corner of Jackson and Carroll Street, she having spotted the Walker girl, who was walking down Carroll Street, asked the driver to pull up alongside other.

A few words ensued, then it is alleged that Miss Burt then told other to "turn around." As Miss Walker turned, Miss Burt fired two bullets striking the victim in the back just below the left shoulder blade, police reported Journigan as relating. She died on the sidewalk almost immediately.

Sheriff E. G. Bolvin reported at Coroner R. A. Harton said Please turn to page Five



Pictured above are the principals in the Lincoln Hospital graduation exercises held recently in the B. N. Duke Memorial auditorium on the campus of The North Carolina College for Negroes. Reading from left to right, (first row) Dr. J. E. Shepard, President of The North Carolina College for Negroes, Dr. M. O. Eousfield, Director of Negro Health for the Julius Rosenwald Fund, speaker at the exercises; (Second Row) President C. C. Spaulding of The North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company; and Superintendent William M. Rich of the Lincoln Hospital.