Another Veteran Shot By
Georgia Power Motorman

Walter Johnson, 22, of 364 Rock Street, a veteran of over three years service in the U. S. Army, was shot by a white motorman of the Georgia Power Company River car Saturday night at the corner of Simpson and Gray Streets.

World reporters talked with witnesses on the scene, who stated that Johnson was standing on the street corner with his cousin, Miss Harriet Ponder, of 364 Rock Street, when the motorman left his car and came to the veteran pushing him twice and snapping his gun twice before the third time when a bullet was shot into Johnson's abdomen.

VICTIM NOT ON CAR

Johnson, interviewed at Grady Hospital before being taken to Veterans Hospital, stated that he had not been on the car and was not attempting to get on it. Witnesses corroborated this statement.

Witnesses further disclosed that immediately after the shooting, when Johnson had gone up the street, white men coming from business places in the neighborhood came to the scene with their guns, shouting, "Let's go get him." It was reported that Negroes pleaded that they not shoot him anymore.

Johnson, honorably discharged from the Army, is married and the father of a three-year-old son.

An interested subscriber called the report of the shooting into the World office and a reporter was dispatched to the scene immediately.

OTHER SHOOTING "JUSTIFIED"

Madison Harris, 22, of 38 Maple St., SW, a veteran, died of a bullet wound in the temple which was inflicted by T. H. Purrl white streetcar motorman, on Hunter Street car. Judge A. W. Calloway of the Recorder's Court ruled this a case of "justifiable homicide" on May 18.