

FIRST LADY VISITS BENNETT COLLEGE

GREENSBORO — A busy day for Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was climaxed here last week with a stirring address by the First Lady who spoke on the 19th annual Home-Makers Institute program which began Sunday March 19th and ended Friday night March 23rd.

Returning to the institute theme, "The Veteran Returns to His Family," Mrs. Roosevelt challenged America to be prepared to accept the veteran while adjusting their not to seem tired. She urged standing foundations for peace so that the returning veteran will find the job already begun.

Addressing the Greensboro group, Mrs. Roosevelt was met by a small group of Greensboro citizens and went to the station to the home of Mrs. Julius W. Coates chairman of the buildings and grounds committee of Bennett College board.

TRAINING INSTITUTE ELICITS INTEREST

Large interest is being manifested in the upcoming Training Institute—a service provided through the Extension Department of Shaw University—to be sponsored here in city under auspices of the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Wilmington and vicinity, beginning Monday, April 9 and extending for a two week period.

Through the courtesy of Principal Rogers, all classes will be held at the Wilston Industrial School. Daily class schedule will be from 10:45 to 12:45 and from 2:30 to 7:30.

In addition to the daily courses of instruction, the institute will also sponsor special inspirational services during the nights of the two week period, these services to rotate among the several Baptist churches of city.

While this institute is sponsored by the Baptist Minister's Conference, a course offered will be for non-sectarian in character and therefore are open to ministers and lay-leaders in any denomination who may wish to enroll.

It is fortunate for us that we can have a period when just a few come back, since we need to do more learning from the experience of others, and educate ourselves as civilians to meet our obligations to the returning men.

"We have a great deal to learn," she added, "Many of us don't know what laws have been passed since the last war in regard to veterans administration, hospital care, and this and that. These things we should know."

Continuing, she stated "We're going to have to use imagination to such an extent that we can stretch it so far as to make our men feel that we really want to know why they have been through. Educators in the post-war world must be planned to fit the soldier, whether it be in grade school, high school, or college. Communities must realize that they are dealing with a mature person who needs the tools with which to make his past experiences worthwhile in civilian life.

President David D. Jones presided over the program. Invocation was by Mr. R. D. Crocket, director, religious activities, at the college. The college choir, directed by Orrin Clayton Southern II, organized by Mr. R. D. Crocket, director, religious activities, at the college.

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Shown above is Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States, Tuesday, speaking to an audience in the Bennett College auditorium. She is seated on the platform (left to right) are: President F. D. Blufford, of A. and T. College, President D. D. Jones, of Bennett College and Dean Warmoth Gibbs, of A. and T. College.

Army Study More Effective Negro Training

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Home, March 14 — The War Department is making a special effort to find out why the 92nd Infantry Division and other Negro combat units have made unusual gains in showing ability to work out new methods for dealing with the particular problems of Negro troops. It was revealed today by Truman K. Gibson, Jr., civilian advisor to the secretary of War.

Mr. Gibson said the War Department is especially interested in the problem because it is a stumbling block to the department's hopes for post-war universal military training legislation. "If we have universal military training, Negroes have to be included," he said. "One of the keys to defeat of the nurse-draft bill is that out of 9,000 registered Negro nurses, a few more than 200."

"The problem cannot be solved merely by legislation, but it can and will be solved by determination on the part of the Army," he added. "Mr. Gibson will report to the Department's Advisory Committee on Special Troop Policies, of which Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy is chairman.

Talking frankly at a press conference, Mr. Gibson said he had to find out why Negro troops so often "melt away" in the face of the enemy. Similar things have happened in other units, he said, but on such a large scale. "Where a few stragglers will fall by the wayside in other units, a whole Negro platoon will sometimes get panicky, particularly at night when the individual soldier feels he has been left alone with no one around to support him in battle. Not all Negro troops melt away under fire, he said.

He cited numerous instances of personal courage and of companies, battalions and regiments which had distinguished themselves. "WHERE THE TROUBLE LIES" Mr. Gibson found the answer to the 92d's problem largely in its history. It was activated three years ago, before the Army's special training program for illiterates was developed, and many in the division did not benefit by it, he said.

Negroes were drafted to fill the division, instead of being classified and sent to whatever branch of the service they were best suited for, many went straight from the reception center to the division without preliminary basic training. Similarly, many replacements have been sent to the division without adequate infantry training, and it is in units with the largest proportion of replacements that Mr. Gibson found the greatest tendency to "melt away."

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causes some hard feeling because, although the Army policy is opposed to segregation, separate officers' clubs develop and incidents of race prejudice tend to be exaggerated. In front-line units, Negro officers are not put in command over white officers. Negro promotions are made by a block system which works hardships on individuals.

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Summer School At N. C. College

Durham — Conferences on interracial and public health, remedial workshops in reading, mathematics and a school and community problems workshop will be among the features of North Carolina College's coming two summer school sessions, Pres. James E. Shepard announced this week.

The first session is scheduled from June 7 to July 18 and the second session is scheduled from July 19 to August 25. Courses on the graduate and undergraduate levels will be offered during both sessions. The workshop in reading will be held during the first six weeks and will present some outstanding reading authorities as guest presenters. The school of Library Science will also offer courses in the first session. There will also be an institute of remedial mathematics to be held from June 18 to July 7.

In the reading workshop attention will be directed principally to group discussions, conferences, demonstrations and the study of selected references. Instructions will be highly individualized in the mathematics workshop and will center around the problems of these attending. Laboratory demonstrations will be held frequently.

To provide experiences useful in the development of community leaders, a special institute will be held on school and community problems. Special attention will be given to the procedures of school and community organizations and the development of health programs and community service leagues. A limited number of scholarships are available for teachers interested in attending the public health conference which will be held during the first session of the summer school. Application blanks for these scholarships are available at the office of Dr. W.

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NAACP Points To OPA Laxity In Negro Districts

Washington, D. C. — In urging the establishment of the Federal Control and Stabilization Act under which OPA operates, Leonie Perry of the Washington District NAACP, charged among other things in her testimony before the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, violation of rent ceilings on the part of individuals in Negro neighborhoods and the neglect of OPA's attention to this violation which could be eliminated through appropriate but- tresses made with a view to better enforcement, Perry declared, the NAACP meeting discussed the continuation of the present program.

Based on the major part of the testimony on experience reported by NAACP, Perry said, "I can say that the OPA's attention to this violation which could be eliminated through appropriate but- tresses made with a view to better enforcement, Perry declared, the NAACP meeting discussed the continuation of the present program.

The purpose of the Summer School is to achieve a more abundant life for rural people through the church and their Summer School will be Dr. Mauga A. Eaton, Director of the Department of the Rural Church, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey; Dr. William J. Burke, President-Literary of Virginia Union University, Dr. Harry W. Roberts, head of the Department of Sociology at Virginia State College, and other outstanding religious leaders.

Beginning and advanced courses will be offered in the Program of the Rural Church, the Art of Preaching, and English Grammar and Composition. Special programs and interests arising out of the war and the returning veterans will be given consideration, e.g. the G. I. Bill of Rights. Those attending the Summer School will have access to all the courses offered in the regular Summer School. The college will also have access to the returning veterans by outstanding visiting specialists. Moreover, all the facilities of the college will be available to those of the school.

Credit toward diplomas and degrees will be given. Tuition is free. The total cost for three weeks board, lodging, laundry, and registration is \$22.00. Scholarships of \$20.00 each are available for those ministers who need assistance. Ministers desiring of attending should communicate with Dr. Harry W. Roberts, Director of the Summer School for Ministers, Virginia State College, Ettrick, Virginia.

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Advertisement for Hudson-Belk department store. It features three fashion models in elegant attire. The text promotes a "Join the Easter Parade!" and highlights a collection of coats, suits, and dresses. It also mentions "BUY MORE WAR BONDS" and "OUR SECOND FLOOR OF FASHION". The store is located in Eastern Carolina.

Continuation of the article on Army training, discussing the challenges of integrating Negro troops and the impact of the nurse-draft bill on military training opportunities.

A large advertisement for Poslam medicine. It features a detailed illustration of a busy city street scene with various shops, cars, and people. The text asks "How many occupations in this picture?" and promotes Poslam as a fast-acting relief for acid indigestion and heartburn. It includes contact information for Carolina Power & Light Company.