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Remember Pearl Harbor

Brigadier General Benjamin O. Davis



General Davis, on duty at Fort Riley, Kansas, as a brigade commander of the 2nd Cavalry Division, was born in Washington, D. C., June 1, 1877. He entered the military service on July 13, 1898, during the War with Spain, as a first lieutenant of the 8th United States Infantry. He was mustered out on March 6,

1899, and on June 14, 1899, he enlisted as a private in Troop I, 9th Cavalry, of the Regular Army. He was promoted to corporal and squadron sergeant-major and on February 2, 1901, was commissioned a second lieutenant of Cavalry in the Regular Army. He was promoted through all the grades to that of brigadier general on October 25, 1941.

GOLDSBORO INSANE ASYLUM ACCUSED OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Raleigh, Mar. 9. —(C)—The State Hospital for the Insane at Goldsboro and the State Blind Institute here were still under fire last week as the "pitiful and helpless condition of inmates at Goldsboro" was given further study.

Dr. Ester L. Richards, psychiatrist at John Hopkins hospital, and principal speaker at the sixth annual meeting of the North Carolina Mental Hygiene Society here, accused the state of "running her mental institutions in a shortsighted, parsimonious manner."

She said she was not a native of the state, but that she could guess the general attitude, and continued:

"Can you expect a few doctors overworked and underpaid with insufficient nursing and orderly help adequately to look after several thousand patients, manage the dairy and farm, do all the buying of supplies and arrange a program for patients to keep them busy and contented, and their relatives well-informed, and be themselves well informed about the homes from which their patients come?"

"Doctors are human after all; so are orderlies, attendants and nurses..."

"The only criticism that is constructive is a criticism that arouses public consciousness to look into the financial background of public hospitals to do a job analysis on what the staff is expected to do, take a look at the wages of nurses, orderlies and attendants, and honestly ask yourself if you could do a better business job for

the price you pay." A wide-spread movement is under way to arouse public sentiment for better conditions at the state insane hospitals and the institute for the blind and the governor's committee investigating state mental hospitals is already at work.

Dr. R. P. Daniel, president of Shaw university, is said to have led the way among local Negro citizens when in an interracial goodwill address in the college auditorium he is quoted as having said the white people of North Carolina could do much to promote goodwill between whites and Negroes in the state if they placed Negro administrative personnel at the Blind Institute here and at the Hospital for the Insane at Goldsboro.

It was revealed Sunday that one inmate who had been treated for blood syphilis several years finally detested the treatment so that it was discontinued and the health of the inmate has improved.

The condition of the inmates vary so much from day to day in some cases, attendants said, it is a problem just what treatment they should have.



JAPS ACCUSED OF FIFTH COLUMN ACTIVITIES

Federal Agents Uncover Efforts Of Niponese To Spread Propaganda

St. Louis, March 13th.—(ANP)—Federal agents seeking the source of pro-Japanese propaganda spread among Negroes since the attack on Pearl Harbor have uncovered the fact that the Pacific Movement of the Eastern World, a 10-year-old organization, is sponsored by Japanese agents as a "fifth column" organization to spread confusion and dissension and disrupt America's war effort.

Sponsors of the movement here were Dr. Ashima Takis and his superior from Chicago, M. Liang, who are being sought by federal agents, but are nowhere to be found. Those Negroes who lead the movement here view it now as a perfectly proper fraternal organization with no subversive tendencies but the doctrine preached by its Japanese sponsors has been revived with new intensity lately and responsible Negro leaders are alarmed at its spread among the race. The doctrine preaches that

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FIRST NEGROES ARE COMMISSIONED OFFICERS IN U. S. AIR CORPS

Tuskegee, March 13. —(By B. B. Walcott for ANP)—An event long desired by Negroes throughout the country became a reality on Saturday, March 7, when commissions as Second lieutenants in the U. S. Army Air Corps were awarded to a group of Negro pilots at the post theatre of the air corps advanced flying school. Among those to receive commissions were Capt. M. O. Davis, Jr.; Cadeta MacRoss and George Spencer Roberts, both of West Virginia; Cadet Lemuel K. Custis, Hartford, Conn.; Cadet Charles Henry DeBow, Indianapolis and Hampton Institute.

Capt. Davis is the son of Brig. Gen. Davis. He is a graduate of West Point Military Academy. His first assignment was to Fort Benning, Ga. After about one year he was transferred to Tuskegee institute as pro-

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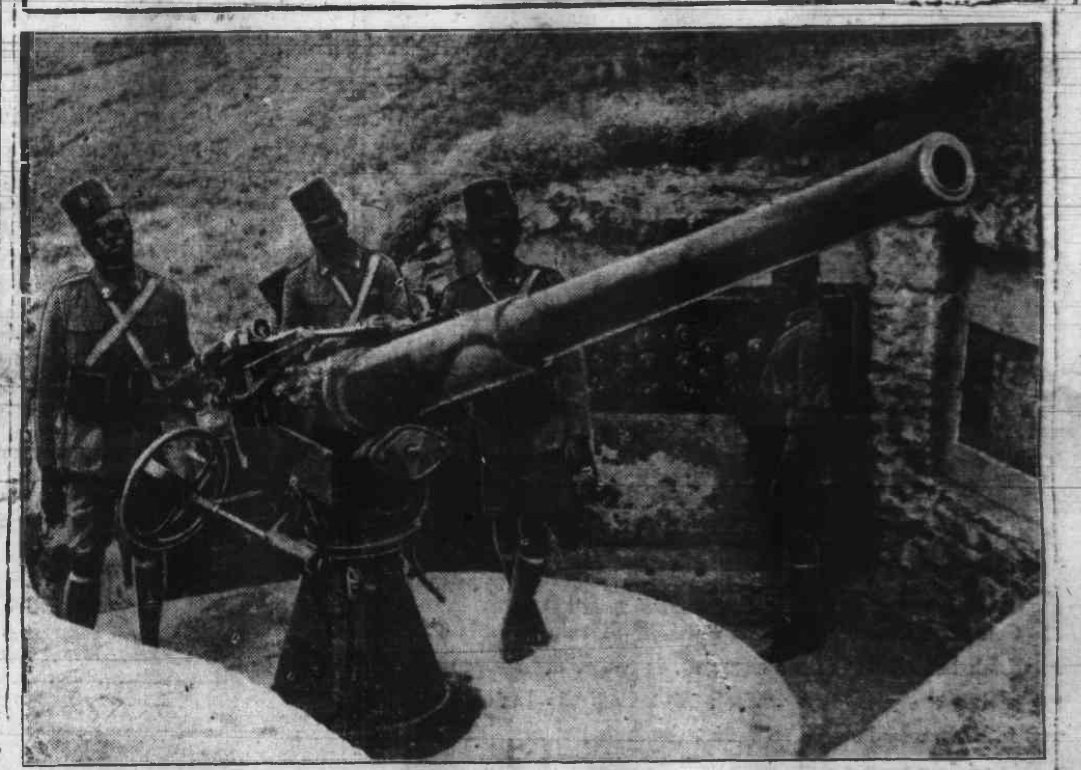
Twin City "Y" Gets Secret Mission

Winston-Salem, Mar. 9. —(CP)—An army unit of 50 vehicles and 100 men on a secret mission arrived here from the south about 10:00 p. m. Monday and spent the night here.

The convoy, made up mostly of heavy trucks and trailers and including several light cars and at least one ambulance, came in over highway 52 and parked on North Church street behind the city hall.

"We are on a secret mission," a soldier reported, "and operating under sealed orders. There'll be an armed guard posted about these trucks later to night, so please don't come about. Sorry, that's all I can tell you."

Guarding The Congo



ALTHOUGH BELGIUM PROPER has been under Nazi occupation for nearly two years, Belgium as a fighting nation is far from finished. Photo shows four native soldiers of the Belgian Colonial forces, guarding an outpost of the rich Belgian Congo, whence the United Nations get much of the copper and tin they need for their arms production. Soldiers like these, together with white Belgian, South African and British troops, and Abyssinian "Patriots" also reconquered Ethiopia (Abyssinia) from the Italians.

President C. C. Spaulding Reports Over 7 Million In Assets For Durham Co.

NYA Negro Division Sponsors Consumer Education Conferences

J. P. Bond, Negro Affairs Officer of the National Youth Administration, announced over thirty Consumer Education Conferences to be held in key cities of the state. Mrs. Laura Daley, field representative of the Office of Price Administration, Washington, D. C., will be in charge of these conferences. These conferences are an outgrowth of a meeting held in Greensboro with Miss Frances Williams, Specialist in Consumer Education, Mrs. Laura Daley, Field Representative in Consumer Education, John Mitchell, Negro State Agent, Cooperative Extension Work in Agriculture, Miss Mae E. Hamlin, NYA Adviser on Negro Health Education, and J. P. Bond, at which time plans were made to educate Negroes in North Carolina as to the value of Consumer Education, and lay the ground work for some person in this state to head up Consumer Education work.

It was further planned that at the end of these conferences, a state meeting will be held as part of this state meeting will be under the supervision of extension workers, farm agents, and others interested in this type of work.

Several successful meetings have been held up to this writing, and a good deal of enthusiasm has been aroused in the state by the presentation of this type of information by Mrs. Daley. Local NYA Advisory Committees, NYA project supervisors and youth have cooperated in making these meetings a success. According to Mr. Bond, "the bringing together of NYA groups and interested citizens of the several communities guaranteed Mrs. Daley a cross section of public opinion."

Representatives of churches, schools, civic organizations, and Civilian Defense Councils turned out in large numbers to attend these conferences.

Mrs. Daley has already appeared, or will appear in Greensboro, High Point, Winston-Salem, Durham, Salisbury, Henderson, Rocky Mount, Winston, New Bern, Elizabeth City, Columbia, Washington, Kinston, Smithfield, Wilson, Raleigh, Fayetteville, Tarboro, Wilmington, Charlotte,

In commenting on the company's experiences during 1941, C. C. Spaulding, president of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, stated: "Notwithstanding the year just closed was one of the most critical in the world's history, the company finds itself in infinitely better position to serve its 356,994 policy-holders and the public generally than ever before. Thus, over six per cent of the Negro population in the territory in which the company operates carry North Carolina Mutual policies, thereby directly or indirectly safe guarding the financial interest of from twenty to twenty-five per cent of this group."

The summary of the forty-third Annual Statement of assets and liabilities that appears elsewhere in this paper reflects the growth and development of the company. In commenting on the statement, President Spaulding called attention to three outstanding features that should merit the respect and confidence of both the policy-holders and friend of the institution. He emphasized the fact that:

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Bishop Wright Says Wilberforce Ousting Report Is A "Liar"

Wilberforce, Ohio. — "An error, a mistake, a lie, an uncalculated and malicious lie," was the language Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr., used in referring to the statement in the Chicago Defender and other papers last week that the Bishops' Council has passed a resolution ousting him from Wilberforce. "The most charitable thing I can say is that certain newspapers were duped by some malicious correspondent who wanted to hold the Bishops' Council up to ridicule and make it appear that the bishops were trying to humiliate one of their number. It is true that the Curry resolution was presented, but it is also true that the Senior Bishop Flipper, Chairman of the Council, promptly ruled it out of order and refused to permit it to be discussed. "Everybody knows," said the venerable bishop, "that such a resolution has no business part of this council." During some part of the Bishops' session a resolution was passed stating that the

Council did not approve of the policy of a general officer or bishop holding two positions but in order that it would be definitely understood that this did not reflect upon Bishop Wright, the Council unanimously voted "that nothing in this resolution shall be interpreted to reflect upon Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr., who is temporarily acting as President of Wilberforce University."

Bishop Wright further commented, "it is very strange that this correspondent omitted the many constructive things the Bishops' Council did, but consumed a whole column propagating a nefarious lie giving publicity to something that never happened. I can only account for it by saying that he wanted to discount the dignity and seriousness of the Bishops' Council, for what reason I confess I cannot tell. Why did he not publish the able address by Bishop Ransom, or the 'Address to the

Country," by the Bishops? Why not tell that the Governor of Maryland, the Mayor of Baltimore, the U. S. Senators from Maryland, and scores of outstanding citizens, white as well as colored, attended the public sessions of the Council and paid high tribute to the leadership of the Bishops, giving special praise to the local presiding bishop? Why keep silent on the \$404 offering the first morning to Allen University after their musical chorus sang? Why not tell that Government officials of many branches, as well as scores of private citizens, came to pay their respects to the bishops, while at least 500 ministers and laymen from as far as California, Texas, Minnesota, Florida, and Massachusetts came just for the fellowship with the bishops and their friends? If the correspondent wanted to pick me out for public-

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