

Chronicle Profile

Won't Take No For An Answer

It deeply frustrates Dr. Lenwood Davis when he runs into a roadblock while searching for some information.

But rather than kicking the nearest wall, he usually does something about the information gap.

Davis, an assistant professor of history at Winston-Salem State University, lays claim to the title of "World's Most Prolific Living Bibliographer."

The native of Beaufort is working on three bibliographies, listings of research in a given field, which would bring his total of published works to 81.

His bibliographies range from 1,500 citation

works on such topics as the Black Woman to his shortest, a ten-citation list on Blacks In Utah.

"I went out there one time to give a speech," he said, during his book-lined office in the basement of Coltrane Hall. "And I went through about eighty books on Utah history and only found ten references to blacks."

"Just about every state I've been in, I've done a bibliography on blacks in that state," Davis added. "For instance, I did more than 100 pages on Blacks in Oregon and I'm working on one on blacks in North Carolina."

He's done bibliographies on the black fam-

ily, black policemen and sickle cell anemia. His broad range of interests also extends to such fields as irrigation, land reform, transportation and birth control.

"My bibliographies usually stem from the lack of information on a topic," said Davis. "It first grew out of the needs of my classes and students. The students come in and say I can't find anything on, say the black policeman, and they're usually right."

Davis has been at WSSU since last year. He previously taught at Livingstone College, Portland (Ore.) State University, Ohio State University and the University of Delaware.

Davis received his doctorate from Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh and his bachelors and masters in history from N. C. Central University.

His love for books stems from about the 11th grade. "That's when I decided to major in history because I liked to read about the past to learn more about the past to get some insights to the present and the future."

"I had a high school history teacher who was very well respected," Davis said. "He was a real role model for us."

A person who's been so diverse in his bibliographies would naturally be open to other

fields. Davis, in addition to bibliographies on the black artist and Marcus Garvey, is now putting together an anthology, or series of articles on black policemen.

But his biggest project is one he expects to take about five years. He's going to write the history of his family, just like Alex Haley. "The distinctive thing about my family is that we were never in slavery, so our history will provide a different insight on the black experience." Already he can trace his roots back to the 1750s.

Given his research background, the task is likely to be a snap for Davis.



Lenwood Davis

people...

Aviation Ordnance Airman Randolph Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams of 5137 Butterfield Dr., Winston-Salem, has been assigned to the Navy recruiting station in Winston-Salem as part of the hometown assistance recruiting program (HARP)

Airman Williams was graduated from East Forsyth High School in Kernersville in 1977. He entered the Navy on the delayed entry program in June 1977 and went on active duty in November that year.

The 21-year-old sailor went to boot camp at Orlando, Fla., and was schooled in aviation at Memphis, Tenn. After his training in the aviation field, Airman Williams reported for duty at Naval Air Station Point Mugu in California.

He is married to the former Barbara Duncan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Duncan of 1200 Gholson St., Winston-Salem. The Williams have three children, Lavender, 5, Kenneth, 3, and Demesha, 9 months.

Mrs. Williams and the children are living at 710 Willow St., Winston-Salem.

After assisting the recruiters in their recruiting efforts in Winston-Salem for 15 days, Airman Williams will report back to Point Mugu for duty.

ERNEST S. JAMES has been appointed Product Supervisor-bleached specialty board for the White Papers Group and will report to Thomas L. Breeland, product manager-bleached specialty board.

In his new assignment, Ernest will be responsible for assisting in the establishment of marketing objectives for each grade within the bleached specialty board product line based on sales forecasts, manufacturing capacity, competitive activity and product demand and distribution channels. In addition, he will assist in the development of the marketing plans and strategies for achieving the profit objectives and development of individual profit projections for each Bleached Specialty Board grade.

Prior to this position, Ernest was a senior sales representative for the White papers Group's Boston sales office. He has also held the positions of Sales Representative and joined IPCo in 1974 as a Staff Assistant.

Ernest received his undergraduate degree from North Carolina Central University in 1970 and in 1974 was awarded an MBA from Babcock Graduate School of Management, Wake Forest University, North Carolina. He is married to Debhor James and has a son and daughter. They have been in the city recently visiting with his parent Mrs. Vivian Tuttle, 3647 Yale Ave.

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Williams

James

Benson Studio Tours NYC

A group of 27, including students and their parents from the Benson's Musical Studio, have returned from a New York City trip which included a Broadway musical and talks with several stars.

The first night of their stay from June 28 to July 2, the group saw "Eubie," a Tony nominated musical based on the compositions of 96-year-old pianist Eubie Blake. Afterwards the travelers held a rap session with performers in the musical. They also met with Gregory Hines of the Hines, Hines and Dad dance team.

Another highlight of the trip was a tour of landmarks such as the Statue of Liberty, United Nations, St. John the Divine Cathedral, Chinatown, Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall and the Juilliard School of Music. Directing the trip were Ms. Virnessa D. Benson and Ms. Minnie E. Benson.

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