

MORE NURSING**SCHOOLS NEEDED**

"With so many Negro student nurses attracted to the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps it is increasingly important that more schools of nursing participate in the education program," Miss Rita Miller, Consultant on Negro Nurse Education in the Division of Nurse Education, U.S. Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, declared this week.

Miss Miller is now on a tour of the South visiting the North Carolina College for Negroes, Durham, N.C., which, in connection with Lincoln Hospital, is already approved for participation in the Corps program; the Community Hospital, Wilmington, N.C., whose application is pending; and the school of nursing of Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., and John Andrews Hospital, Tuskegee Institute in Tuskegee, Ala., which are also participating in the Corps program. Miss Miller will confer with directors and administrators of these institutions on problems that may have arisen in connection with their participation in the U.S. Cadet Corps program.

NEGRO CREWS TO MAN TWO ANTI-SUBMARINE VESSELS

Two new U.S. Naval anti-submarine vessels will be manned predominantly by Negro crews.

A destroyer escort under construction at the U.S. Navy Yard, Boston, Massachusetts, initially will have an enlisted crew of 160 Negroes and 44 whites. The white ratings will be limited to billets requiring specialized training or experience not yet had by Negroes. It is anticipated that as soon as Negroes qualify, they will replace the white enlisted members so that the entire crew eventually will be Negroes. The vessel will be commissioned within the next few weeks.

A patrol chaser (PC) building at the Consolidated Shipbuilding Corporation, Morris Heights, New York, will have an initial crew of 52 Negroes and nine whites. It is anticipated that this vessel, which is scheduled for commissioning late in March also will be manned eventually by an all Negro crew.

As is customary for all U.S. Naval personnel assigned to this type of duty, all members of the crews assigned to these two vessels will receive specialized training.

COLUMBIA PICTURES PRAISED FOR INGRAM ROLE IN "SAHARA"

New York—Commendation of the Columbia Pictures Corporation "for the role and dialogue given Rex Ingram in the picture, 'Sahara' starring Humphrey Bogart" was voted in a resolution by the Board of Directors of the NAACP at its February meeting.

Recalling that Walter White and Wendell L. Willkie had conferred with leading Hollywood executives in July, 1942 with a view to getting better roles for Negroes in the films the letter to Columbia signed by Roy Wilkins, acting secretary, declared:

"Since July, 1942, several compan-

ies have made films in which they stated that an attempt had been made to improve the role of the Negro; but in the opinion of this Association Columbia Pictures Corporation in 'Sahara' has made the outstanding contribution toward the objective stated by Mr. White. Accordingly, I am authorized in behalf of our Board of Directors to congratulate your corporation and to say that we trust this will be but a beginning toward further improvement in future films."

TET DAVIS LOSES APPEAL TO ARKANSAS COURT

Little Rock, Ark. — The state supreme court has affirmed the conviction of Tee Davis, who was sentenced to ten years in prison for firing a shot-gun in defense of his two-room cabin home at Edmondson, Ark.

The appeal to the supreme court was taken with the assistance of the NAACP and the Workers Defense League. The attorneys for the Association and the League argued that Davis had the right to prevent Harold Weaver, town marshal of Edmondson, from breaking into Davis' home without a warrant.

Davis was charged with assault with intent to kill. He testified that he thought that Weaver was a thief attempting to break into his house, because Weaver did not identify himself as an officer of the law. Weaver did not have a search warrant.

Attorneys are giving consideration to the question whether or not the supreme court of Arkansas should be asked to again hear arguments in the case.

SHORTAGE OF OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS IN GERMANY

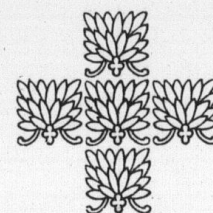
The consequences of the British air raids on the Zeiss works at Jena and the destruction of other optical factories in Germany appear to be much more serious than was at first assumed. Only this would explain a decree recently issued by the Reich Minister for Armaments and War Production requisitioning all stocks of optical and precision instruments, old or new. All wholesale and retail traders are required to hand over all stocks of the following description: microscopes, magnifying glasses, cameras, photographic enlargement apparatus, film projectors, geodetic instruments and so on. All these instruments are needed for the use of the army. When one knows how highly developed the optical industry was in Germany it is not difficult to imagine how thorough the destruction must have been which has made such wholesale confiscation necessary.

PERMIT NECESSARY TO BUY A NEWSPAPER

Latterly a number of German newspapers in Poland have prominently displayed a warning that anybody who buys a newspaper without a permit is committing a crime. Such an act is classed as theft and makes the offender liable to severe penalties. This warning is only comprehensible when one remembers the extreme shortage of paper

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