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Chaplain Scott Sent To Mexican Border

His Leaving Honolulu Is Cause of Regret to Officers and Enlisted Men on the Island.

NINE YEARS WITH REGIMENT

Wielded Great Influence in Developing Spiritual and Intellectual Life of the Command.

Honolulu, Hawaii, June 24.—Many expressions of deep regret are being heard on the part of officers and enlisted men of the Twenty-fifth Infantry on account of the fact that Chaplain Oscar J. W. Scott, has completed his duty with the regiment, on foreign service, and has been ordered back to the United States (the mainland) for assignment to one of the regiments of the Colored troops stationed on the Mexican border. The Chaplain is popular with the official and enlisted personnel of the regiment and they dislike to see him leave.

The Chaplain has gone beyond the ordinary bounds of his office and has interested himself in every phase of the regimental life where he could be of influence in directing the men to strong and manly character. He has taken a vital interest in clean athletic sports and was always one of the best rooters at the important baseball games. He has been the inspiration of many a young man's determination to improve his mental faculties while a soldier in the army and has conducted with marked success, a post school for the enlisted men of the regiment. He has built up a splendid regimental library, having solicited books in various parts of the country for this purpose, a strong literary society which bears his name is also one of the products of his labors.

Chaplain Scott has been with the 25th Infantry for nine years. He is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and of Drew Theological Seminary and is one of the ablest ministers of the country.

NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL DOING GOOD WORK

Durham, N. C., June 24.—In founding and conducting on a sound business basis the National Training School at Durham, N. C., Dr. James E. Shepherd has registered his name among the foremost educators of the land, regardless of race. The institution is now out of debt and its future is exceedingly bright. The trustees have made a budget of \$321,000 to be used for the following purposes: for the endowment fund, \$250,000; administration building and class rooms, \$36,000; for dormitories, \$20,000; and for a central heating and water plant, \$15,000. The institution covers a field peculiarly its own and plans to do a work covered by no other school.

Famous Black Troopers Ambushed by Mexicans

Outnumbered Ten to One Tenth Cavalry Fights Valiantly for Five Hours.

El Paso, Tex., June 22.—Forty American soldiers are reported to have been killed and seventeen known to have been captured in a pitched battle when the Tenth cavalry was ambushed by Mexicans near Carrizal Wednesday.

The Mexican authorities profess complete ignorance of the extent of Mexican casualties in the battle which followed ambushing of the Negro troopers of two companies of the Tenth. Latest reports are that the troopers were lured into the hamlet of Carrizal under a flag of truce.

From reports received by state department agents, mining companies and the Carranzista officials here, it appears that two troops of the Tenth cavalry were on scout duty near Carrizal when they were discovered by Carranzista outposts.

Americans Ambushed

These Mexican troopers hastened back to the hamlet. General Felix Gomez, commanding the de facto troops in the town, ordered machine guns secreted on the roofs of houses and hid his men behind adobe walls. A small company of Mexicans was sent to the west part of the town to

wave a flag of truce. The unsuspecting American cavalrymen rode into the ambush. When the Mexicans opened fire from their machine guns the Negro troopers fought back like fiends. General Gomez was killed, his body literally riddled with American bullets.

The Americans charged the unseen Mexicans in an effort to recapture several of their number and inflicted casualties, the unofficial reports stated. They were finally forced to retire in face of vastly superior Mexican forces.

Fought Five Hours

The American column is reported to number less than 100, while Gomez is believed to have had several thousand men under his command.

The fighting continued five hours, the Carranzistas being meanwhile reinforced from the large Carranzista forces in Villa Ahumada.

Messages to mining companies said the Mexican losses were double those of the Americans.

It was reported that General Pershing has seized the Mexican towns of Neuvo Casas Grandes and Casas Grandes on account of anti-American demonstrations there.

Omaha Girl Graduates From Conservatory

Boston, Mass., June 24.—At the commencement of the famous New England Conservatory of Music held Tuesday afternoon in Jordan Hall, eighty-six graduates received their diplomas. Among them was an Omaha young woman, Mrs. Florentine Frances Pinkston.

Mrs. Pinkston, who was formerly Miss Cassells, is the daughter of Mrs. H. J. Crawford, of 2214 North 28th Street. A few years ago she was married here to J. H. Pinkston. As she was talented in music, soon after their marriage Mr. Pinkston decided that they should go to Boston where his wife might have the privilege of completing her musical education. Mrs. Pinkston began her musical studies in Denver as a pupil of Madame E. Azalia Hackley.

ST. JOSEPH'S GETS \$1,000

Philadelphia, June 24.—By the will of the late Horace Haverstick, \$3,000 is left to St. Joseph's Seminary, Baltimore. The Magdalene Society for Colored Girls at Germantown also gets \$1,000.

Roosevelt Is Shot Through the Body

Iowa City, Ia., June 24.—George Roosevelt, Colored, shot through the body, will live, surgeons say at Iowa university hospital, where the injured man was brought from Brooklyn, Ia. He was shot by his daughter's sweetheart, Edward Anderson of Des Moines. The bullet entered his back, near the spine, missed the heart and came out of his chest.

LEAVES \$500 TO A WHITE STUDENT

New Haven, Conn., June 24.—By the will of Mrs. Ella de Ladson, an aged Colored woman who conducted a restaurant for Yale students for forty years, filed today, Albert A. Low (white) of Danbury, who was bookkeeper for her while in college, receives a \$500 bequest. She made many charitable bequests. Her estate will reach \$35,000, all of which was made in catering to students.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY REPORT

Houston, Tex., June 24.—The annual report of the Colored Carnegie Library shows that 10,402 books were borrowed last year.

Western University 20th Commencement

One of the Largest Classes in History of This Great School Receives Diplomas.

OVER TWO THOUSAND VISITORS

Governor Capper, Delivers Address—Commends School—Stands for Equality of Opportunity.

Quindaro, Kans., June 24.—The twentieth annual commencement of Western university was held on the campus Thursday, June 8. One of the largest and most promising classes in the history of this great educational school of the west was graduated. The class of 1916 received diplomas from every department. It contained representatives from Connecticut to California. The program began at 3 p. m., with more than two thousand visitors and friends of the school present.

In introducing Governor Capper, Professor H. T. Keeling, president of Western university, called him the "Man whom all Kansas loves" and spoke of him as to his true friendship and loyalty to Western university and its needs.

The governor was in splendid tone and his message to the graduating class, was one of great encouragement, and said in his address to the graduates, "If I can be of any service to any member of this class at any time, I will only be too glad to help you." The governor told that his Kansas bringing up had instilled in him a democracy that stood for these principles, "true brotherhood and equal opportunity for all alike. Equal opportunity for the children of all the people to prepare themselves for life, to be of real service in the world, to make a fair living."

MADDEN'S PREDICTION WILL BE FULFILLED

Hon. Martin B. Madden predicts that the Negro will "come back" to Congress in the not far future. From three northern cities Colored representatives could be sent to Washington, if the race would stand together and elect one of their number. The Colored voters are sufficiently numerous in certain districts of New York City, Chicago and Philadelphia to "put over" a Negro Congressman, if they had the political sagacity to do so. Fair election laws would solve the problem automatically in the southern states. Mr. Madden's prediction may come true. It offers encouragement at any rate.—The Freeman.

WINS ORATORICAL CONTEST

Freeport, Ill., June 24.—George Lipscomb, a Colored student in the high school here, recently won the state-wide oratorical contest.