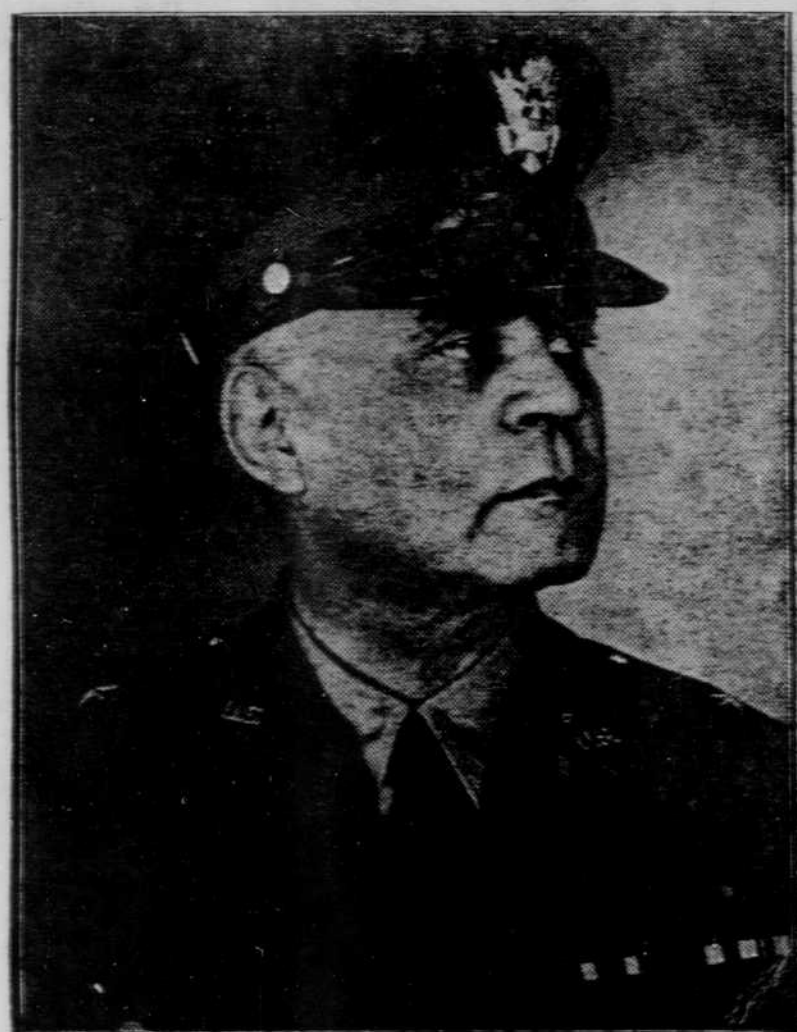


What Omaha Negroes Are Doing Thru Roosevelt Post No. 30 American Legion



BRIG. GEN. BENJAMIN O. DAVIS
Brig. Gen. Davis is the first Negro in the history of the United States to hold such a high rank. Is now attached to the Inspector General's office in Washington, D. C. His son, Benjamin, Jr., a Lieut. Colonel, is now in this country forming a new All Negro Air Squadron to follow the famous 99th.

The following prominent Omaha citizens have sent their personal commendations to this post congratulating it on its untiring efforts in promoting interracial goodwill and many valuable and constructive civic and patriotic activities.

- H. J. PINKETT, Attorney
- A. L. HAWKINS, M. D.
- GERTRUDE LUCAS CRAIG, Probation Officer
- FATHER G. A. STAMMS, Rector St. Philip Episcopal Church
- MRS. ROBBIE T. DAVIS, Vocational Teacher, Technical High School
- RALPH ADAMS, Attorney
- ARTHUR B. McCAW, Past Pres. of N. A. A. C. P.
- MRS. EVELYN EVANS MURRY, a Visiting Nurse
- HERBERT RHOADES, District Judge of Juvenile Court

- * Maintains club and lounge for members of World Wars 1 and 2.
- * Conducted school for training of Auxiliary Police and Nurses' Aides.
- * Assigned seven members to train and serve as members of Auxiliary Police Force.
- * Assigned four members of Ladies Auxiliary to serve as members of Nurses' Aid Committee.
- * Giving financial aid to veterans of World Wars 1 and 2.
- * Financing underprivileged boys at Boy Scout summer camps.
- * Furnishing medical care to veterans of World Wars 1 and 2.
- * Donate Christmas baskets to veterans and clothing to members of their families.
- * Contribute to Omaha Urban League war program.
- * Sponsor entertainment programs for veterans confined in hospital at Lincoln, Nebraska.
- * Sponsor and finance Legion cadets, a group of boys between ages 12 and 16. These boys are taught, as part of their program, First Aid and the rudiments of good citizenship.
- * Donate ground floor space of building and give financial assistance to the North Omaha Public Clinic.
- * Many rejected draftees owe their subsequent acceptance for military service to the service of this clinic.
- * Pay room rent and board for transient veterans and assist them in finding employment through our employment officer.
- * Furnish coal and groceries to veterans in emergency cases.
- * The Post has won the Spafford Trophy for two consecutive years for the largest percent of increase in members per year in competition with all posts of the state.
- * Co-operate and assist financially other community organizations with their welfare, health and morale building programs.
- * Seven members of post serve as members of Auxiliary Police Force.
- * Four members of Ladies' Auxiliary serve as members of Nurses' Aid.
- * Member of post serves as member of State Advisory Defense Committee, appointed by governor.
- * Sponsor patriotic meetings and assist in sale of War Bonds.
- * Purchase War Bonds regularly.
- * Legion building and all facilities therein donated as n Evacuation Center in case of disaster.
- * Assisted with the organization of Air Raid Wardens in the community.
- * Members of post serve as legal advisers to Draft Board.
- * Financed and sponsored Omaha Honor Plaque. All names of Negro members from Omaha serving in the armed forces are listed.
- * Sent 100,000 cigarettes to members of armed forces serving in foreign countries in the past two months.
- * Assist and advise dependents of members of World War 2, file their claims for dependents' benefits.
- * Have set up committee on post-war plans and aid to members of armed forces of World War 2.
- * The Post has a membership of 350.
- * The Ladies' Auxiliary of the post has a membership of 91.
- * The Post will be host to the Eighth District Convention this fall.
- * The Post has received many citations for its community services from the Department of Nebraska and National Headquarters.

**STATE OF NEBRASKA
DISTRICT COURT
OMAHA**

June 25, 1943

Theodore Roosevelt Post No. 30
American Legion
Omaha, Nebraska
Gentlemen:

I am happy to have this opportunity to commend the Theodore Roosevelt Post of the American Legion for their constructive work among the boys and girls of Omaha.

I have been impressed by the fine work the Post has done among teen age boys by forming them into cadet ranks and teaching them courtesy, civic responsibility, and patriotism. In addition to these activities, the Post has equipped and sent to Boy Scout Camp each year a number of underprivileged boys of this city.

I know that your Post is doing a wonderful work, and with best wishes I am

Yours very truly,
HERBERT RHOADES
District Judge of
Juvenile Court

MIRROR LOUNGE



This is a photo-view of the beautiful Lounge and Bar room of the Roosevelt Post No. 30, American Legion, which will be open "24 hours a day" to accommodate visiting Legionnaire delegates, auxiliaries, and friends, during the American Legion National Convention here, Sept. 20-23, 1943.

Prominent Omaha Citizens Serve on Post's Committees To Assure Delegates, and Visitors A Grand Enjoyable Reception

LOUNGE TO REMAIN OPEN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A DAY
Theodore Roosevelt Post No. 30, The American Legion has completed its plans to care for and entertain its many visitors to Omaha during the National Convention, September 20 to 23rd. The Post's modern Lounge will be the center of activities and will remain open 24 hours a day during the Convention.

To assure the delegates and visitors a most enjoyable visit the Post has appointed the following persons as Members of the National Convention Committee: Ray L. Williams, Director of Colored Activities, National Convention Committee, Inc.

VICE CHAIRMEN: J. C. Carey, Commander Post No. 30, Aaron Glass, Edward Bearcat Wright, Webb Alston, Dr. W. W. Peebles, Asst. Commander, Edward Turner, Adjutant Post No. 30.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE: Julius Hill, Publicity Officer Post No. 30, C. C. Galloway, Editor The Omaha Guide, Mrs. Mildred Gilbert, Editor Omaha Star, E. W. McCowan, Frank Austin, Sgt. George E. Bivens, U.S. Army retired.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE: Dr. W. W. Peebles, Chairman, Frank Blackwell, Bernie Cowan, Mrs. Lydia Rodgers, Miss Doras Hawkins, Stephen Bridges, Albert Wright, Leroy Childs, Rev. E. F. Jones, Larry N. Peoples, George Althouse, Mrs. Lulu Bryant, Mrs. Susie Yancy, Mrs. Lulu Roundtree, Edward W. Killingsworth, Tom Jones, Frank D. Payne, Sherman Parker, Mrs. Mary Zeffers, Rev. J. H. Harrison, Miles Speese, Rev. B. K. Nicholas.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: Dr. P. L. James, Chairman, Earl Thomas, Terry Cole, S. L. Chambers, Major Underwood, Cleve Lockhart, Mrs. Virginia Lardon, Mrs. Reta Wade, Mrs. Helen Ward, Rufus Long, C. C. Foster, Hugh Polard, Mrs. Earl Louis, A. C. Cuny Wilson.

HOUSING COMMITTEE: John B. McCaw, Ralph Adams, Raymond Curtright, Chairman, Fred Hunter, Colie Jaco, Sgt. George E. Bivens, J. Coleman, Paul S. Holliday.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE: Charlie Williams, Chairman, Olin Prestige, Vice Chairman, William H. Davis, H. L. Preston, Edgar Smart, Joe Smith, Leroy Childs, H. C. Comans, James Walker, Marvin Price, Craig Williams, Mrs. Craig Williams, Arthur Moore, Holand Harrold, Jesse Milsap, Miss Beulah Bates, Lloyd Hunter, Mrs. Mary Jane Butler.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE: Ralph Underwood, Chairman, James Walkor, Vice Chairman Albert Wright, E. M. Wiley, William H. Gordon, Philip Barge, W. L. Senter, Henry Johnson, Leonard Norris, Porter Johnson, Mrs. Beattie Williams, William Pearson, R. E. Houtwater, W. W. Gray, Richard Bailey, John Fleming, Emory Hickman, Grant Green.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE: Det. Sgt. Harry Buford, Det. Sgt. Leroy Jones, Det. Sgt. U. S. Matthews, Det. Sgt. P. M. Jenkins, Police officer Pitman Foxall.

AUXILIARY POLICE: William Evans, J. D. Crawford, A. C. Wilson, Raymond R. Brown, Rufus Long, Harvey Carter, Dr. W. W. Peebles, Henry W. Black, J. C. Carey, Saybert Hanger, Wendell Thomas.

CITIZENS COMMITTEE:
Welcoming-Housing and Entertainment of Distinguished Guests
Dr. W. W. Peebles, Chairman, W. L. Myers, Eugene McGill, Cleo Mortimer, Jesse Hardin, Lee Washington, J. D. Lewis, C. C. Galloway, Henry W. Black, James C. Jewell, Jr., S. S. Solomon, Dr. A. L. Hawkins, Dr. G. B. Lennox, Dr. Wesley Jones, Dr. Price Terrell, Dr. C. H. Singleton, Dr. Craig Morris, Atty. Charles F. Davis, Dr. Milton Johnson, Dr. D. W. Gooden, Dr. Herbert Wiggins, Dr. W. W. Solomon, Edward Fletcher, Wendell Thomas, Charles B. Dickerson, Thomas P. Mahammitt, H. J. Pinkett, Arthur B. McCaw, Ralph Adams, Raymond Curtright, Chairman, Fred Hunter, Colie Jaco, Sgt. George E. Bivens, J. Coleman, Paul S. Holliday.



SAFETY SCHOOL ON WHEELS
Service men who have enjoyed the facilities of USO clubs throughout the United States have been interested in the Safety School on Wheels, an educational project of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The school, directed by James and Eleanor Kilip, emphasizes the importance of physical fitness and the effects of fatigue and alcohol. Tests are given for Reaction, Coordination and Vision. "It's the Brain that Counts" and other alcohol education motion picture sound films and shorts are shown.

The Safety School on Wheels traveled in 30 states, covering 16,000 miles, visiting over 100 camps areas during a recent nine-month trip.

The photograph shows service men taking scientific tests under the direction of Mr. Kilip in the South Broad street USO, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which is the former home of the famous lawyer, John G. Johnson.