

PARACHUTE WINGS are pinned on the first Negro paratroopers to graduate from the Parachute School, Fort Benning, Georgia, by Captain William V. Johnson. These airborne troops, first in the United States Army, are members of the 555th Parachute Infantry Company. Sergeant Roger S. Walden, of Detroit, Michigan, is the paratrooper receiving his wings from Captain Johnson. (Photo

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1400 o'clock (2 o'clock civilian time

took place with Commander Arm-

strong, Lieut, Commander White,

public relations officer; Lieut Com-

mander Van Ess, Ligut. Command

er Allen, Washington, D.C., and

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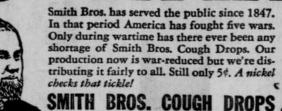
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EAT REGULAR 'CHOW'

The visitors were dined in the chief petty officers' mess hall. The food, well cooked, was the same as served all the sailors. There is a special effort made to see that all meals are well balanced.

The publishers were brought here in a Navy bus and returned to Chi-

Negro training quarters here include Camp Robert Smalls, Camp cruit training officer and in charge of Negro recruit training. Commcommandant of the Ninth Naval District is Rear Admiral Arthur S. Carpenter with headquarters at the

Lieut. Stein, graduate of Northeastern university in Massachusetts National Negro Newspaper Week While highly educational and fruit two nights as chief guide and inful, the visit here climaxed the formant.

week of activity and ended with Comfortable quarters were furwith a broadcast which included conference sessions of the publish- nished the men Friday night in barracks building 1811, Women guests were taken to homes friends in Waukegan, Ill. The three-day activities got un-

Members of the Publishers' As- BALKED GEN. COUZZENS der "full sail" at 5:00 (3 o'clock to sociation who made the pilgrimage JIM CROW POLICY you' landlubbers) on Thursday when here were: Thomas and P. B. Young a round-table discussion between Jr., Norfolk Journal and Guide four of the publishers and Commander Armstrong was broadcast Call; Eustace Gay, Philadeiphia Miss Lucile Bluford, Kansas City homa Black Dispatch; J. E. Mitchell, W. E. Mitchell, J. E. Cook and the discussion were Frank L. Stan- Bige Wyatt. St. Louis Argus; Mr. ley, Louisville Ky., Defender; J. E. and Mrs. Cecil Newman, Minneapolis Tribune; A. Clayton Powell, Mitchell, St. Louis Argus; Roscoe People's Voice, New York City; Dunjee, Oklahoma Black Dispatch Miss Olive Diggs and Mrs. Marion and Miss Olive Diggs, Chicago Bee. Also featured on the broadcast. Baxter, Chicago Bee; William Walker and Augustus B. Parker, Cleveland Call-Post: Bishop A. J. Hamlett, Plaindealer, Kansas City, Kas. Howard H. Murphy and William Gibson, Afro-American newspapers, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Stafford and J. Arthur Turner, St. Louis American; John H. Sengestacke, Charles radio actor, who is now seaman P. Browning, Clarence A. Taylor, Chicago Defender, Frank L. Stanley, Louisville Defender and Wil-Friday, the publishers were liam G. Nunn, Pttsburgh Courier. guests at the regimental review at

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ther than submit to this practice stick to it. they would eat elsewhere. Furth-

the reply was no. Told this, the | training that if they were compelinformed the commander that ra- middle of a dust road they would

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On Christmas day the girls agreed among themselves to see that the Negro cadets got a real meal even though the exchange was officially, closed. Again the leader of the group spoke up and is reported to have said: "We're apreciative more than you know, but if we have got to go without eating. Christmas day is as good a time as any to do it."

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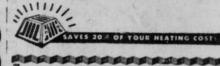
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