# CONSTANCE MOORE, TITO GUIZAR STAR IN REPUBLIC'S "MEXICANA"



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One of the production highlights of Republic's current 10th Anniversary celebration is "Mexicana," an elaborate musical now in work at the Studio. Produced and directed by Alfred Santell, it co-stars Constance Moore and Tito Guizar, and boasts a musical score by the famed Mexican composer, Gabriel Ruiz, with lyrics by Ned Washington. Here, Walter Scharf, head of the Studio's Music Department, directs Guizar and Miss Moore in one of the numbers in the company's new music auditorium for sound recording and dubbing.

Imagine the surprise of Mrs. Charles Wegher, Durango Junior High School teacher, when a 12year-old boy proudly handed her a cigar.

The cigars, he explained, were saying their prayers." on him. "Pups were born to my Los Angeles, Calif.

When the conregation knelt to pany. pray, the little fellow on his first Mummy?"

clothes on?"

### Officers Close With Enemy, Win Silver Stars in Italy

HEADQUARTERS, 92d Infantry Division, Italy-Two Negro officers, one who "set a heroic example of the fighting man's desire to close with the enemy and destroy him," and the other. whose "aggressive leadership was an insupiration to the officers and men of his organization," have been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action against the enemy in Italy, the War Department announced today.

Recipients of the awards are First Lieutenant William E Porter, 1018 West Spring Street, Lima, Ohio, and Second Lieutenant Reuben L. Horner, 915 South Fremont avenue, Tucson, Arizona, both members of the 92d Infantry Division.

When his platoon was pinned down by fire from enemy automatic weapons last December 5, Lieutenant Porter cleared the way for his men by advancing alone, killing the German officer in charge, and forcing his men to surrender. The official War Department citation follows:

"First Lieutenant Porter's platoon was vigorously attacking a strong enemy position. When heavy enemy automatic weapons fire pinned down the platoon, First Lt. Porter, alone, advanced on an enemy machine gun nest, killed the German officer in charge, and forced the remaining enemy to surrender, thus facilitating the advance of his com-

"Later in the day, after the attendance at church asked: platoon had been completely sur-"What are all the people doing, rounded by superior enemy forces, he constantly exposed himself She answered, "Shush They're to hostile fire in moving back and forth between platoon posi-"What," exclaimed the young- tions, maintaining contact, directdog this morning."-Daily News, ster incredulously, "with all their ing fire, encouraging his men, and leading them in fighting their

spiration to the officers and men stroy him." of his organization."

Lieutenant Horner was cited for his action in repulsing five counterattacks of the enemy last October 22. His official citation reads as follows:

"Second Lieutenant Horner's platoon, holding a mountain position, was the object of five vigorous and determined enemy counterattacks during the day. In a continuous rain of hostile fire, Second Lieutenant Horner cooly deployed his own small arms and automatic weapons and personally directed counter artillery and mortar fire so aggressively that all five enemy actions were successfully repulsed.

"Regardless of personal safety, Second Lieutenant Horner consistently exposed himself between weapon positions making fire adjustments and encouraging his men. An enemy machine gun squad and several riflemen were forced to surrender under the pressure of his counterattack. Only a shortage of ammunition forced Second Lieutenant Horner to withdraw, which he did, with but three casualties to his platoon.

"His intrepid courage in the extremely effective personal leadership of his platoon in a difficult combat engagement was, to the officers and men of his organization, a heroic example

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## 92nd Officer Wins DSC for Heroism

ROME (ANP)-The first Negro officer of the famed 92nd Infantry division to win the Distinguished Service Cross is Lt. Vernon J. Baker of Chevenne, Wyo. Lt. Baker received his award, the nation's second highest, last week from Lt. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott, jr., commander of the U. S. Fifth army, for personally destroying three enemy machine gun posts and an observation post in an attack in the northern Appennines last April 5. He killed or wounded nine Germans.

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- C-Cadet Nurses relaxing in the game room after classes. To qualify for a scholarship in the Corps, an applicant must be in good health, between 17 or 18 and 35 years old, and a high school or college graduate with a high scholastic record.
- D-Cadet Nurse studies a model of the human eye . . . one phase of her basic experience. As a Scnior Cadet she may choose to complete her education in one of the Federal service hospitals.
- E-Cadet Nurse works with a young orthopedic patient in the pediatric ward. She is one of the more than 2,000 Negro student nurses helping maintain health on the home front during the war.







