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Record of Negro Achievement in War Against the Japs

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Ever since December 8, 1941, when Pvt. Robert H. Brooks became the first member of the Armored Force, and probably the American Army, to lose his life at Fort Stotsenburg in the Philippines, Negro soldiers have contributed blood, sweat and tears to the crete laying you ever saw. Beauti-

Ever since April, 1942, when swarthy Negro Engineers streamed ashore from landing craft to whip out steel carpets on New Guinea for the reception of planes The yare, with present stations: of the 19th Bombardment Group, 207th Coast Artillery (AA), New Negro soldiers have assisted ma- Guinea; 369th Coast Artillery Japanese less than four months earlier.

The 24th Regiment was the first All-Negro combat unit to face the Nipponese when it landed in the New Georgia islands two Coral Sea, May 4-7, 1942. Men of this organization have been singled out by the Inspector General the Marianas.

On December 1, 1942, Negro to arrive at edo in India to construct the famed edo (now Stilwell) Road, tilizing a handful of bulldozers and a fleet of dilapidated British lorries, the Negro Engineers had pushed the road 15 miles ito the Patkais by January the European and Mediterranean 1, 1943.

As early as January 23, 1943, ten Negro units, ranging from Engineer to Chemical warfare Service units, had been commended by General MacArthur for zations were assigned to stations their "courage, spirit and devotion to duty" in expelling the enemy from Papua, New Guinea.

For extraordinary heroism dispayed at Pordoch Harbor, New Guinea, on March 8, 1943, Private George Watson, of Birmingham, Alabama, received the Distingbecome legion.

In April, 1944, the 93rd Infantry 3, Oregon. Division had its first taste of action at Empress Augusta Bay on Bougainville Island in the Solomons. By the end of that month, the 93rd had secured the Saua River and a portion of the land east of the Torokina River. The Division next went to the Treasury Island Group, thence to

Morotai Island in the Dutch East Indies and more recently to the Philippines.

When the mighty B-29 Superfortresses first took off from China to hammer Japan proper, they taxied off of superb landing fields constructed by Negro Engineers from General Joseph W. Stilwell's China - Burma - India theater. In the words of Major General Kenneth B. Wolfe, "They came with a battery of concrete mixers and put on the damndest exhibition of instantaneous concause of freedom in the Pacific. ful concrete, no mud pies."

Besides the 24th Infantry and 93rd Division, six other Negro combat units have been announced as being in the Pacific. terially in avenging the infamy of (AA), Okinawa; 742nd Antiair-Pearl Harbor, perpetrated by the craft Artillery, Saipan; 320th Antiaircraft Barrage Balloon Battalion and the 372nd Infantry, both in Hawaii.

Roughly 200,000 Negro soldiers are scattered throughout the Pacific and Far East from Noumea. days before the Battle of the New Caledonia to Calcutta, India; from Kunming, China to Attu Island in the Aleutian chain. Substantial numbers are deployed in of the Army for their exception- the Alaskan Department, Pacific ally meritorious conduct in rout- theater, and the China and Indiaing the enemy from Saipan in Burma theaters of operations. They are serving in such highly technical organizations as the soldiers were included in the first 101st Chemical Processing Company at Manila in the Philippines contingent of American troops and the 689th Signal Air Warning (Radar) Company in the Sulu Archipelago.

Three months after the complete capitulation of the Germans, Negro troops, fresh from theaters of operations, began arriving in the Philippines, and many more were awaiting shipping orders. As of July, 1945, more than 550 all-Negro organiin the Middle, South, and Western Pacific areas.

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II They've ne'er beheld with keenly sight,

True life the way God planned They think success and fortune's

right, When someone kindly hands it.

III Now opportunity knocks to all If they perchance might listen; You'll hear it's gentle stately call, With sight it does not glisten.

IV When once you've seen the glory, FUND?"

And great beauty of life's wonder;

There'll be a different story, For the clouds will all be under.

Your time will al be taken up, In moulding life for neighbours; You'll have no chance to, figure

The worth of all you'r labours.

'Tis joy to know you've helped in life, While through it's sands you're

walking; There's footprins left that leads to light,

You haven't been, just talking.

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