

HAITIAN STUDENT MAKES FIRST SOLO

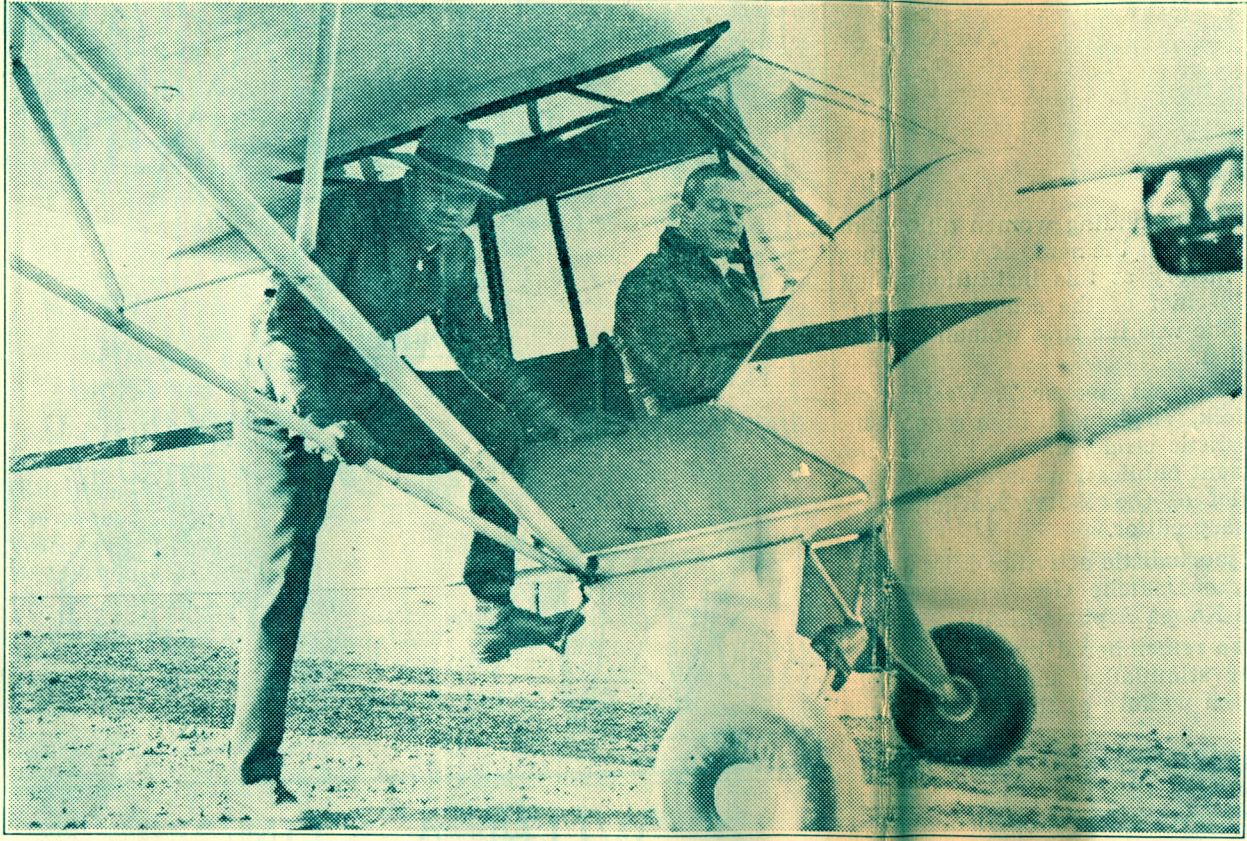
George F. Donache became the first student of West Virginia State college to make a solo flight under the recent aeronautical program of the college when he made his first solo flight at noon, Saturday, February 10, 1940. After a test flight with his instructor, Mr. Harry Johnson, he took over the controls, and, alone in the plane, a Taylor Cub Trainer, made four successive "three-point" landings at the Wertz Field Airport.

Although he was one of the first ten students initially selected for the Civil Aeronautics Authority civilian pilot training program here, because of certain governmental regulations, he had to resign from the program and learn to fly on a private basis. He made his solo after completing nine hours of dual instruction--eight is the minimum required by regulations.

He is now the proud owner of a pair of wings and a student pilot's certificate. The wings are an international symbol worn by one who has just made his first solo flight. A student pilot's certificate is the first received by one learning to fly. After additional study and fifty hours of flying time, he will receive the private pilot's certificate.

Donache is from Port-au-Prince, Haiti, is twenty-two, and is enrolled as a special student in physical education here. He is a chapter member of the West Virginia Chapter of the National Airman's Association of America. He is continuing his aeronautical studies here and would like some day to receive an instructor's rating and teach aviation in Haiti.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE GETS FIRST SOLO FLIGHT



George F. Donache, first student to make solo flight, getting into plane with his his first flight instructor, Kenneth McClemens

P.E.M's Plan to Join National Organization

Plans are being made in the weekly meetings of the Physical Education Majors club to become affiliated with the Gymnastica, a National Physical Education organization.

One of the prerequisites for membership in this organization is the presentation of a charter. The charter for the organization is being prepared by a committee headed by

Pop Vendors Suggest Market For Inventors

When is a dollar not worth a nickel? That is one riddle which is easily answered by those who have had any experience with the beautiful new automatic soft drink vending machines recently installed in the playrooms of many of our dormitories. The only coin which will operate these machines is the lowly "buffalo head."

Many a student, up late from study-

Language Circles Give Practical Advantages

The Third Annual Oratorical Contest in the French Language will be held in the Auditorium of West Virginia State college under immediate direction of Mr. Pratt, professor of French and Spanish, on April 4. This is indeed an unusual presentation and every possible effort is being put forth in order that this affair may

Independent Organized

Students not fraternity or sorority of organization in room on Thursday 15. Norris Mind group, announce of the meeting "unorganized election. A member of the William Howard organization was helping students social and educational college program.

A suggested poster was outlined originator of the chapel programs athletic competition in the student said, "There are the campus in students can take even asked to provide therefore, the hope we may point the on of all students for membership forty-six.

State College \$13,375 For

West Virginia receive \$9,315 as this year. This money to give financial Bluefield will receive students, and State The State of West of a \$14,039,268 Administration fund to college and