

Negro Physicians
(Mizell)

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Dr. M.O. Bousfield, M.D.
Negro Health Director
Julius Rosenwald Fund
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Bousfield:

I hope you enjoyed your trip to our Camp Livingston, La. It certainly was a great lift to see you fellows come out to see us. It made us know that we are not for-gotten by our big brothers. (smiles)

Dr. Bousfield, I have ask you for one or two favor which were not in keeping with your possibilities to conveniently grant, but I am asking you to do me one that I hope you will not turn me ~~#88~~ down upon. It maybe briefly stated as follows:

You know as well as anybody else about the effort I made at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. to try to encourage and build a hospital for those deserted, Negroes of Broward County . I am needed there greatly. The operating room o f the hospital had to be closed when I left. The thing that was getting along fine ~~and~~ ^{that} I had put everything into, ~~is~~ is rapidly being disinter#gated and 15000 Negroes are put at a great disadvantage to receive proper medical care. I want to go back to serve them as I once did.

The Colonel said today that if I can prove that I am needed and wanted in Ft. Lauderdale , he would see to that I be releaved from active duty and allowed to go home. So if you will write Colonel H.C. Michie, % Station Hospita Camp Livingston, La. a letter and explain my need in Ft. Lauderdale and also ~~##~~ if you think it will help write to Mr. William Hastie, War DEpt. Wash- 1 ington D.C. who was here to see us also. Hope you help me as soon as possible in the above matter . Hoping you health and happiness, I am,

Yours very Respectfully
Von D. Mizell
1st. Lt Von D. Mizell

P.S. The citizens of FT. Lauderdale have petition the surgeon General for my release. If an acute need for my services in the army I will gladly return.

conditions are about same here. we dont have anything much ~~to do~~