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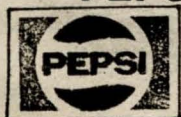


Cigar puffing Charlie Sifford

became the first black golfer to win a major open by taking the Long Beach Open in 1957. Sifford was the first of modern day black golfers on pro circuit. He still competes in tournaments.

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SALUTES -- DR. DANIEL HALE WILLIAMS

First surgeon to operate on the human heart.



As a boy in the 1860's Daniel Williams dreamed of a career in medicine. His father encouraged him to attend school between long hours of working as a barber and a shoemaker. He read every book he could find.

Williams graduated from Chicago Medical College in 1883 when doctors were just beginning to perform operations to repair injured parts of the human body. Dr. Williams continued his studies and became a surgeon. In 1891 he established Provident Hospital in Chicago. Dr. Williams performed the first heart surgery there in 1893.

A man was brought to the hospital with knife wounds near his heart. Dr. Williams knew the man had no chance of recovery unless the damaged heart could be repaired. Skeptical doctors and nurses crowded into the small room to watch as Dr. Williams opened the chest and operated on the man's heart. The surgeon had only his skills to depend on; he worked without modern drugs and equipment - no lights, no anesthesia, no blood transfusions, no x-rays, no monitors. Still, this first heart surgery was successful. The patient recovered and was sent home after a few weeks rest.

Providence Medical Center salutes Dr. Daniel Hale Williams and his contribution to medicine and health. Providence is proud to carry on his work in heart surgery.



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