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Flying Ace (Hubert Fauntleroy Julian),
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Donna Mussenden VanDerZee

Hubert Fauntleroy Julian was a Trinidadian who enlisted with the Royal Canadian Air Corps in World War I. He later moved to Harlem, where he became an officer in the UNIA. He parachuted twice, in 1922 and 1923, into Harlem, the second time while playing a gold-plated saxophone; he missed his target each time. He became a popular hero and the *New York Telegram* dubbed him "The Black Eagle." In 1930, Haile Selassie chose him to head Ethiopia's Imperial Air Force.