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I guess it only takes one visit to the office of a vice president of one of Chicago's major banks, and there to see on the very top of a large stack of magazines, an elegant color portrait of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad adorning the front page of the *Equal Opportunity* magazine, before a person really realizes the true depth and impact of the declared "Muhammad Appreciation Month."

Oddly enough, Mr. Alfred Duckett, who is the Editor of *Equal Opportunity* — a college employment magazine — is the co-author of the late Jackie Robinson's autobiography, "I Never Had it Made," author of two volumes of poetry, and the founder



Charles G. X.
EDITOR

and president of the Chicago-based Society of Writers and Editors (WE), and whose stirring introduction of a photo-essay on the Nation of Islam, brought a smile even to the face of Messenger Muhammad Himself; this same Mr. Duckett's work was not planned as a part of the spirited festivities, and yet his magazine had gone before us into the highest echelons of the corporate elite, bearing the glad tidings of Messenger Muhammad's 43 years of progress, progress, progress.

And while Mr. Duckett, and dozens of other dignitaries, and celebrities are to be commended for their parts in the great activities which have filled the pages of *Muhammad Speaks*, and the *Chicago Tribune*, *Chicago Defender*, and other local newspapers, we the Muslims, Thank Almighty God Allah, Who Came in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom Praises are Due Forever, for Blessing us with the presence of His Messenger in our midst, Who has led us, once-slaves, on the path of unparalleled success.

It's no secret that Muslim governments in Africa, and throughout the Asiatic world admire and respect Messenger Muhammad and His followers. Not only Muslim governments, but all the governments of the Black nations of the earth open their arms and the doors of their countries in hospitality to Messenger Muhammad and His followers.

What a great sign it is for us in America, who have been lost, and who are the descendants of slaves, to see this great activity taking place, with the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, at the hub of all the action.

Certainly, He is like the hub of our wheel of activity. Certainly, He is at the core of all Black thought and action in the direction of self. Certainly He is worthy of such attention and such trust and confidence, for He — like no other ever before, or ever to come after — is the personal embodiment of all that we would want of good in any man in the midst of any people.

But in this historic month, when in our view, Muhammad Appreciation overshadowed everything else, including sacred holidays for the Christian, Jewish, and even Orthodox Muslim believers, our hearts are warmed even more, at the thought of the beautiful symbol for us in America in the millions of Muslims who journeyed to Mecca for the sacred pilgrimage, called the Hajj.

For as those millions of Muslims raced around the Kaa'ba, the sacred Black stone which Abraham put back into place, we see here in America, the Black people, beginning to revolve around the man whom the Black stone symbolizes, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, Messenger of Allah.

This month, historic for its observance of holidays for all of these great religions, takes on a profound significance, because it is the time when Black people, even in the traditionally bourgeois entertainment industry, have even joined in — in full force — with the other admiring legions who are giving Messenger Muhammad well - deserved recognition.

That Black Stone in Arabia is extremely profound in its symbolism. It is recognized, almost universally as a sacred religious icon. And today, as Messenger Muhammad begins to get the recognition which He so richly deserves, we also observe that He is the first Messenger from Almighty God Allah, to be recognized as the true leader He is, among the people to whom He is sent during His lifetime.

And so, wherever you are: on the islands, or in the desert, in the mountains or in the cities, it can safely be said of truth, that in America, and particularly where the so-called Negroes, descendants of slaves are concerned, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is the fulfillment of all signs and prophecies of good, and indeed is the man worth "Appreciating," 12 months, 365 days, per year.



"YOU'VE BEEN CHARGED WITH UNARMED ROBBERY, IN THE BROAD-OPENS DAY-TIME, BY YOUR CONGREGATION!"

Middle East Report

"I do not recognize occupiers of Arab Palestine. I refuse to defend the charges you introduced against me. I refuse to talk to you.

"I ONLY DIRECT my talk to my teacher, Jesus, who is in heaven and is now weeping over what happened to the Holy City of Jerusalem, the Cradle of Islam and Christianity, the city which is being desecrated by the foreign invaders and whose Holiness is being trampled upon by the Zionist settlers.

"I worship peace. I believe in love. Following your steps, my teacher Jesus, I revere our lands which we (Palestinians) adore.

victory sign to his brethren Arabs and supporters.

WHEN THE 12-YEAR sentence was announced by the Israeli judge, the bishop received it with a smile and waved his hands, greeting to his constituency. He declared that if Jesus were living among us today, if Jesus had witnessed the Palestinian tragedy, if Jesus saw displacement and massacring of the indigenous Arab population of Palestine, Russian, Polish, German, French, British, American Jews, Jesus himself would have been a Palestinian commando, and a freedom fighter.

Since Dec. 13, the bishop, who has been tortured and spat upon by his Israeli guards, has been on a hunger strike. His condition has worsened tremendously. Concentrated liquid food is being injected into his body to prevent his death which could cause enormous riots in the occupied areas, and condemnation throughout the world.

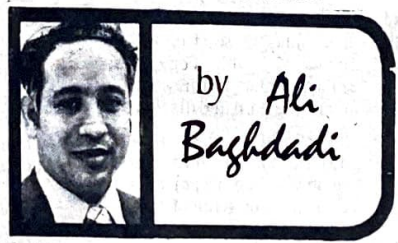
UNLIKE MANY Christian priests who are well known to the Blacks in America, Bishop Hilarion Capudjui does not believe in turning the other cheek to the oppressor.

He does not use Christianity to steal from the poor and give to the rich. He does not drink wine while his subjects drink polluted water. He does not sit relaxed while his people suffer from persecution and occupation. He does not preach brotherhood between oppressed and oppressors.

He has made it clear that the Israelis (whom he refused to call by name) are "international murderers, robbers and criminals that should get out of my country."

WHAT DISTURBS the Israeli racist regime and her colonial allies is not only their failure to drive a wedge between the Muslim and Christian Arab communities, but also their inability to prevent the Christian Arabs from taking an active role in the struggle for liberation.

Bishop Capudjui is an authentic hero of the Palestinian people. The Palestinians do not care whether or not a man is a religious figure who holds great rank, they care only that his actions are right and just, and because of this Bishop Capudjui is regarded with great respect among both Muslim and Christian Arabs.



by Ali Baghdadi

"You taught us to love and defend our soil. We have always done so. We have obeyed and complied since we are your soldiers. Jerusalem will become free again and forever, in spite of their (the Zionists) evil deeds. You stand for love my Lord and master, but they stand for oppression and injustice.

"You are the light and they are the darkness. Your banner, which will continue to fly high is the symbol of love and freedom. My Lord, I venerate our beloved land which is known as Palestine. I pray for a free Palestinian state. Woe and shame for those who are desecrating the Holy Land."

THESE WERE NOT the words of a Palestinian "terrorist," nor of an ordinary person. These statements, which the Western "Christian" press conspired to ignore were made by the great Bishop of Arab Jerusalem to the Israeli court which put him on trial for "transferring weapons and explosives, for collaborating with enemy agents and for conspiring against the security of the state of Israel."

Christians comprise 20 per cent of the Palestinian population; the remaining 80 per cent are Muslims.

When he was brought to court, the bishop seemed to be in high spirit. He waved the

Muhammad Is Wisdom

By Margary Hassala

In the name of Allah, Master Fard Muhammad, to whom Praises are due forever. We thank Allah for His Divine Messenger Muhammad — Divine Wisdom.

This week we direct your attention to an article written by Messenger Muhammad in 1971.

See pages 12 and 13

Look at the drawing of the unemployment line because of factory shutdowns, which was made by Brother Eugene Majied under the Divine guidance of Messenger Muhammad and which accompanied Messenger Muhammad's article of Dec. 31, 1974.

The drawing, inspired by Messenger Muhammad, was a very graphic prelude of things to come — things which have come.

Today we see the news pictures of this great unemployment which Messenger Muhammad warned us of: see your national newspapers and national television reports. And many of our readers are a part of the unemployment picture with more and more experiencing increased unemployment in many parts of the country.

In many parts of the country we are receiving reports of soup lines. All these things are bearing witness that Messenger Muhammad is Wisdom in our midst. Not only does Messenger Muhammad give us Divine warning far in advance, but Messenger Muhammad also tells us why. Step by Divine Step, America is becoming desolate, because she is the Divine Target.

Messenger Muhammad teaches us that America is becoming desolate because she is the Divine Target of Allah and that Allah Will Spend of His Arrows in His aim at the Target. The Scriptures bear Messenger Muhammad witness.

Messenger Muhammad — Divine Wisdom — warns us to hurry and join onto our own Holy Nation of Islam and be saved from the Divine Wrath of Allah. All praises are due to Allah for His Divine Messenger Muhammad and His Divine Message.

WARNING

To you Innocent People who willingly give your money to strangers soliciting money for hospitals and other drives that we have.

Your money falls into the hands of enemies and hypocrites that take your cash money and use it for themselves. So, I think you should be careful about who you give your money to.

Some of them will make out false cards — pay no attention to it because we have not made out any cards to give to the public. Don't give your money like that.

Go to the Temple (the nearby Temple of ours) and give your money to the secretary there and get a receipt from him or her.

Elijah Muhammad
Messenger of Allah

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You & Your Health

by
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For a large part of the day, most of us can be found "on our feet," yet seldom do we consider our feet and the importance of their "supporting role" in our daily activities. Our feet are perhaps the most consistently mistreated part of our entire body, and we so often wind up paying for this neglect and mistreatment with years of agonizing pain and discomfort.

For these reasons the necessity of our briefly reviewing the proper care and treatment of some of the most common foot disorders becomes evident.

Flat feet comes to the foreground as a frequently occurring foot disorder. It is a structural deformity in which the heel is rotated outward and the arch has given away due to the weakening of the ligaments that connect the bones of the arch.

These changes from the normal architecture may be brought about by injury, strain, weakness, excessive weight, and careless posture while walking and standing. The pain usually occurs along the arch, around the inner ankle and may even shoot up the calf to the knee and hip. Prolonged standing generally worsens this painful condition.

Even though there is no permanent way of correcting this disorder, symptomatic relief may be achieved by wearing sponge-rubber, plastic or metal arch supports.

Persons with flat feet should keep the practical considerations of comfort and support foremost in their mind when buying shoes, and should not be guided into buying shoes for extreme stylishness. They are generally the worse shoes for your feet and pocketbook.

Avoid excessively high heels, sandals, or thongs. The use of tennis shoes should be discouraged especially in children with flat feet. For acute pain resulting from flat feet, warm soaks are recommended.

Bunions are another common foot problem. They result almost invariably from continuous pressure from ill-fitting shoes. The big toe gets angled outward. Pressure and friction at the base of the toe causes recurrent bursitis and calcification.

Bunions can be extremely painful. Symptomatic treatment consists of changing shoes to relieve the pressure points, cutting a hole in the shoe, or finally, surgical correction.

Practically nowhere else in the body is the old adage of an ounce of prevention being worth a pound of cure more applicable than involving foot care. For observing a few simple basic principles can decide whether we have feet which give us their care-free "support" or feet which remind us of our unwise neglect with each painful step.

Self improvement

By Sharolyn X
Temple No. 2

To consciously improve oneself, one must have an awareness of oneself. One must have knowledge and understanding of his own strengths and weaknesses. This comes as a result of being able to look inside oneself and being honest with oneself about what is found in the heart and mind.

To make a valid judgment as to what is inside oneself, one must have a good frame of reference. One can surround himself with people who are, like himself, serious about self-improvement through the Teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

He can associate with people who are positive in thinking and who have admirable qualities.

Above all, one measures self with the Teachings of the Messenger, and has as his goal of self-improvement, to be more pleasing to Allah and His Messenger. If he pleases them, he also pleases those who love them, including his own self.

One should pray to Allah for a knowledge of his faults so that he will not make a fool of himself. One should desire to be uncomfortable with his faults so that he will have a greater motivation to change.

Having a knowledge of oneself prevents surprise or embarrassment when one is confronted by others concerning his fault. One can say, "Thank you. I am working to improve that now." That ends the conversation on a positive note.

The Muslim need never despair about personal faults or bad habits, because he knows that the solution is always within his reach. Sometimes it is not immediately evident; sometimes he must exert much effort to find it, but he knows that it is there.

One generally takes great care with the physical body, determining which toiletries he needs to use to make himself pleasing to self and others. He determines how much rest he needs; what are the best foods for him to eat and the best times for him to eat or not to eat in order to feel good.

Why are not we equally concerned with mental and spiritual self-improvement? You would not continue to use a product from which you received a negative reaction or no results at all, so why keep giving the mind those things which cause a negative reaction to the natural, righteous state?

Unclean thoughts, obtained from television and movies, books, songs, or other people, burden the mind. Jealousy, hatred, general negativity, or selfishness burden the mind.

Those who sit around acting bored or spending time discussing others' business or being critical of everything another does, should try a self-improvement program.

Study self first and ask Allah's guidance in dealing with what one finds. Then, watching oneself grow, one will have another source of joy and peace. One becomes more patient and understanding, as a result.



(Photo by Ali Muhammad)

RENOWNED PERFORMER Oscar Brown Jr. (center) explains intricacies of recording industry to Wali Muhammad and Wali Sadiq co-hosts of WBEE Radio's special live broadcast of Your Supermarket's Appreciation Month celebration. Brown was one of many entertainers and celebrities who visited the supermarket during the month-long festivities.

Your Supermarket celebration draws massive crowds

By Larry 14X
(M.S. Staff Writer)

CHICAGO — An expanding list of celebrities and dignitaries participating in Your Supermarket's Sixth Annual Appreciation Month festivities now includes world renowned vocalists Joe Williams and Carmen McRae, and performer Oscar Brown Jr.

comparing the Nation of Islam to other Black movements in the country.

Joe Williams, the Chicago-born singer, famous for his lush baritone vocals said, "I'm thrilled and pleased to be here. We all take pride in the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's ideas of owning land and engaging in agriculture."

OTHER NOTABLES, making similar guest appearances for the celebration which commemorates the founding of the supermarket and is a tribute to the works of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad were Heavyweight Boxing Champion Muhammad Ali, the Pointer Sisters, Congressman Ralph Metcalfe, D-III, singer entrepreneur Jerry Butler, composer Ramsey Lewis, Cook County Corrections Director Winston Moore, local media personalities and business leaders.

Williams, who crooned to the accompaniment of bands from the full orchestra of the late Duke Ellington, to the small improvisational groups like "Cannonball" Adderly, said he anticipated long ago the influx of young, professional Blacks into the Nation of Islam.

He said the idea of establishing a nation Blacks control assured that young people were coming.

ALSO, FAMED composer, vocalist and choreographer Oscar Brown Jr. appeared for the Appreciation Month festivities. In an interview with radio host Wali Muhammad on WBEE's "The Communicator" broadcast live from the supermarket, Brown, also a recording artist, said he welcomed positive acceptance of Black "message" music by recording companies.

The month-long celebration was also highlighted by a proclamation from Gary Mayor Richard Hatcher declaring Dec. 15 through 22 "Honorable Elijah Muhammad Week."

I'M REALLY honored to be asked here today," said Carmen McRae, recently returned from a European tour. Ms. McRae, who is credited with being one of the truest exponents of the jazz vocal, was literally mobbed for autographs by curious shoppers and fans at the supermarket.

Speaking of his hit single, "The Lone Ranger and Tonto," he said that although it was written years ago, the political, moral, economic demise of the country made it particularly timely for Blacks today.

The popular tune, which was recently high on the rhythm and blues charts, described a scene of the masked man and his companion surrounded by hostile Indians, with his companion Tonto asking, "What you mean 'we'—white man."

Ms. McRae, who revealed she is a regular shopper at Muslim enterprises in her home-town, Los Angeles, said of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's Program, "I think its fantastic!" "Its not a farce," she added.

Muslim message transforms Georgia pastor

Church service radio broadcast includes prayer for Muhammad

By Harold 4X
(M.S. Atlanta Bureau)

ATLANTA — Listeners to radio station WXAP's broadcast of the Free-For-All-Baptist Church Saturday services here, are also treated to prayers for the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and constant praise for the Nation of Islam.

THE PASTOR of the church, the Rev. W.J. Stafford, who recently invited Muslim Minister Abdul Rahman to lecture there, said when he saw the works of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad he became an immediate believer in the power of the Black man.

The Rev. Stafford pledges that he will transport the entire church to Chicago February 26, 1975 when the Nation of Islam holds its Saviour's Day convention.

Those familiar with the Rev. Stafford's background are not surprised by his support for the

Muslims.

His father died when he was five years old and his mother reared the family on readings of the Bible.

AT AGE 12 tragedy struck when he was chopping wood for a white employer, and mistakenly severed four of his toes. One toe was cut off completely and the other three were hanging on by the skin.

Though his employer was only paying him 25 cents a day, he became angry when young Stafford wanted to go to a doctor.

He then threw Stafford in the

back of a pick-up truck without attempting to stop the blood flow and he nearly bled to death on the three-hour trip to the doctor.

HE SAID the white doctor was drunk and took a saw and cut off the bone so the skin could be pulled over it—without killing the nerve.

The doctor finished the operation, sewing the three toes back to the foot without any anesthesia. Stafford lost one toe on the truck.

At age 16, Stafford moved to

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(Photo by Raymond 4X)

THE REVEREND W.J. Stafford (left) welcomes Min. Abdul Rahman of Temple No. 15 in Atlanta, Ga. to explain the message of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad in his well-known Baptist church.

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Muslim t.v. show 'big hit' with Phila. area Blacks

'Muhammad Speaks to Philadelphia' in 20th week

(Special to Muhammad Speaks)

PHILADELPHIA — Utilizing the most technologically advanced means of mass communication available — color television — Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 12 has now taken the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad into the homes of millions of Black people in Philadelphia and surrounding areas.

"Muhammad Speaks to Philadelphia," Temple No. 12's weekly telecast, continues to draw overwhelmingly favorable responses from throughout the Black community as the program enters its 20th week on the air.

THE 10: A.M. Saturday broadcast over television station WTAF can be viewed in the tri-state (Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware Valley area and is designed to show the Black community the accomplishments in education,

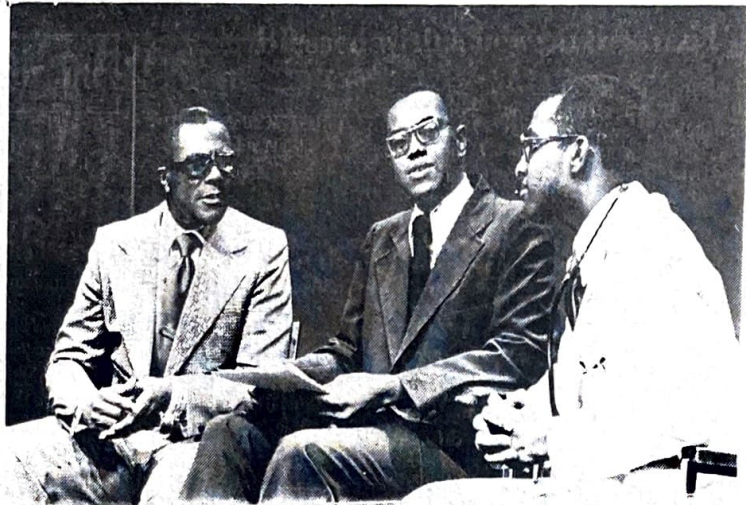
business, health, employment, housing and agriculture that are being made by followers of the Hon. Elijah Muhammad.

The program presents weekly readings from the great books of Messenger Muhammad — rendered by Minister Jeremiah Shabazz of Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 12.

IN ADDITION, questions from the viewers concerning Mr. Muhammad's teachings and interview discussions on topics ranging from the University of Islam and the 3-Year Economic Plan to the Whiting H&G fish program are regular features.

Produced by Temple No. 12's Office of Community Affairs,

"Muhammad Speaks to Philadelphia" has taken the city of Philadelphia by surprise and has gained the reputation of being the only program on television that presents the truth without fear or favor.



IN A RECENT telecast of "Muhammad Speaks to Philadelphia," Minister Jeremiah Shabazz (left) and Yale Medical student, Bro. David X (right) are interviewed by program producer, moderator Bro. Colmon X (center).

Los Angeles Muslims air first t.v. fish commercial

'From the dock to your door' seen by thousands

By Lawrence C. X.

(M.S. Los Angeles Bureau)

COMPTON, Calif. On Dec. 21, the first Whiting H&G commercial was aired here during prime time television hours.

THE 60-SECOND commercial, shown three times during a 30-minute telecast, marked the first time that Muslim products were aired via the medium of television (except when otherwise featured during a talk show or documentary), to mark the arrival of the highly popular fish.

"From the dock to the door," the commercial illustrated the route of the fish before it is consumed by the Black household.

It is estimated by KABC-TV officials that the commercial was viewed by 200,000 people in the greater Los Angeles area alone. To this must be added thousands more because the span of the commercial included areas in between Santa Barbara and San Diego.

Joe Metoyer Jr., account executive at KABC-TV, channel 7, admitted that this was a major television breakthrough for the Nation of Islam. "This marked the first time a Muslim product was advertised on a network-owned television show to the Los Angeles market."

Metoyer, who handled the account, explained that the idea to advertise the Muslim import was supplied through the generosity of the Ernest Public Relations Agency and one of its clients, the Double Crown Co., a major Black manufacturer of hair products.

"If it were not for their willingness and determination, the commercial would not have been aired," he said.

MUHAMMAD SPEAKS asked the executive vice-president of Double Crown, William X Brock, why his firm decided to donate 50 per cent of its commercial time to the Nation of Islam.

"This is our way of showing our appreciation and respect to the program and aims of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

"The least we as Black businessmen can do is give back to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad what He has given to us and that is His sterling example of how to do for self and kind," the 26-year-old executive said.

"Since we were given six minutes, we collectively decided to give the Nation of Islam three minutes to advertise Whiting H&G." Direction for the sequences

shot at Muslim facilities were provided by Muhammad's Temple No. 54, Compton, Calif.

"What's more," Bro. William added, "we couldn't have sponsored a better program: a crime prevention show called 'Black Love Black.'"

A NEWLY formed group, Black Love Black has as its aim the eradication of "Black fratricide," through positive images of Black love.

Aired during the "I Am Somebody" television program a weekly public affairs program designed to reach and influence the Black community in a positive manner—it was a rare occasion when Black faces, Black thoughts, and Black products were featured during prime time in a serious manner.

Calib-California Productions was responsible for filming the high-quality color commercial.

Min. Nathaniel Muhammad ignites flame Islam 'on fire' in Charleston, S.C.

By Harold 4X

(M.S. Atlanta Bureau)

CHARLESTON, S.C. — On July 14, Minister Nathaniel Muhammad, son of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, visited this old slave-marketing city and the after effects of his trip are being strongly felt today.

MIN. MUHAMMAD spoke for one hour and 10 minutes to approximately 500 persons at the Municipal Auditorium and despite the relatively short speech and small crowd his message has greatly changed the hearts of the people toward the Nation of Islam.

The Nation of Islam had been struggling here for more than 10 years since the first meeting was held on Calhoun Street in 1964. The teachings of Messenger Muhammad began in an apartment living room, and because the city is saturated with Christian churches the Muslims faced a hostile community.

Min. Muhammad's topic was "Who will help them bear the cross," and it was broadcast live over radio.

Min. Muhammad brought with him from Kansas, Min. Joseph X who was originally

from the Charleston area. Min. Joseph X began pushing the various programs of the Nation of Islam to great heights on the tide of Min. Muhammad's speech.

THE TEMPLE began to sell a large volume of Whiting H&G in a traditional fish town. There was a 90 per cent increase in Temple attendance.

Sis. Alethia X leads the sisters in a baking and cooking program for the restaurant in their homes producing pies, pastries and dinners.

Min. Joseph is aided by Lt. Clarence X, Sec. Henry X and Bro. Allen X, manager of the restaurant.

THE MUSLIMS hold a rummage sale weekly in the Temple parking lot. Dinners are sold at the Temple on Saturdays and delivery service is available. Special fish recipes of Whiting H&G are making a big dent in the Charleston fish market.

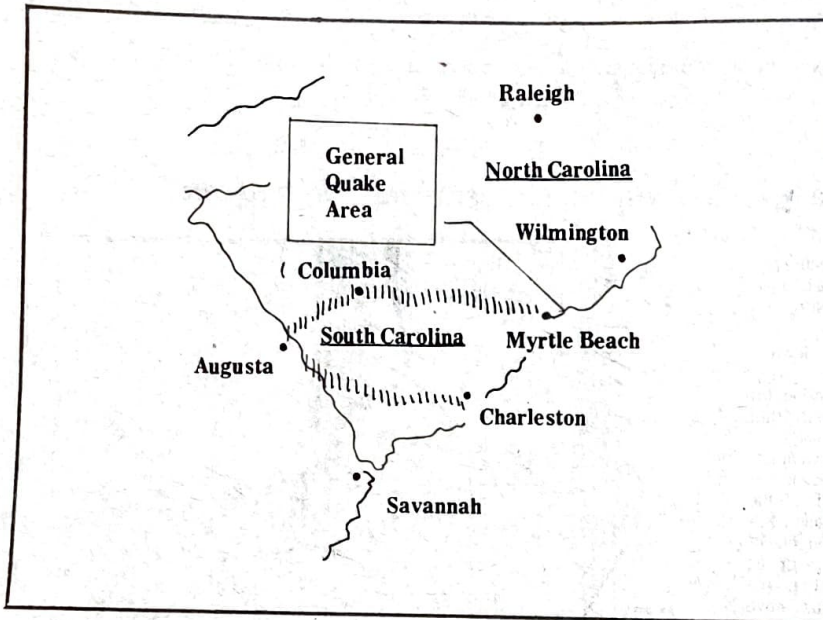
Min. Joseph recently spoke to more than 600 students at Rivers Hill High School on how to eliminate crime in the community and the school's principal remarked he had never seen the students

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ABASS RASSOULL, National Secretary of the Nation of Islam, joins hands with Dozier Allen, Calumet County (Ind.) Trustee (left) and Rudolph Clay, Indiana State Senator. The two Indiana state officials met with Rassoull during a recent visit to Temple No. 2.

Earthquake shakes S. Carolina



By Harold 4X
(M.S. Atlanta Bureau)

CHARLESTON, S.C.—A giant earthquake shook the state of South Carolina stretching from Augusta on the Georgia border to Myrtle Beach and Columbia to Charleston.

THE CENTER of the "massive shake" appeared to be in the Charleston-Summerville area. It caused cracks in pavements and a large church, while sinking an entire housing project some two to three feet.

People reported a great roaring to the National Weather Service.

There were numerous reports of pictures falling from walls, China and glassware falling down on shelves and in cabinets and items such as brooms, garden tools and fishing rods falling down.

THE WALLS and Grecian columns of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, a giant cement structure built by slaves in downtown Charleston, suffered extensive crack damage and a number of slate shingles were dislodged from the church's portico roof. Charles Lewis, the Sexton of

St. Phillips, said that the tremor lasted for some 10 minutes and the parish house "shook so much" he thought every glass in it was going to break. He said he looked for it to snap in half at any time.

The Ben Tillman Housing Projects in North Charleston were reported to have sunk at least two or three feet as residents reported a massive movement of earth and a floating effect.

Several cement and brick driveways were cracked by the quake and many homeowners reported houses slanted by the tremors.

THE QUAKE brought on the greatest dog chorus ever heard in what is considered the "Low Country." Many of the frightened animals kept up the barking for an hour or more after the shaking ended.

A number of burglar alarms were triggered by the shaking. The most severe tremors, appeared to have been in the northern part of Charleston County and south western area of Berkeley County and near Summerville. The quake was felt in Columbia, Edgefield, Conway, Augusta, and George-

town.

Geologists and seismic specialists are in the area studying the after effects of the giant quake. The quake prompted thousands of frightened people to phone the news media—and radio stations remained on the air well past normal cutoff time to furnish information.

RESIDENTS in a wide area of the state from Conway in the northeast to Edgefield and Saluda in the Southwest, including Columbia—reported feeling the earth shake. Many said it sounded like a muffled explosion.

First reports of the shock came from the Charleston and Summerville areas. Then the frightened residents of surrounding counties began besieging radio stations, newspapers and law enforcement officials with calls.

A three to four-foot crack in a wall at Baptist College was found where dormitory evacuations took place. Students there also said cracks appeared in bathroom walls around plumbing fixtures.

Black Greek fraternities: sense or non-sense?

By Lonnie Kashif

(M.S. Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Mr. William Flower, 19, was a young Black man attending Monmouth College in New Jersey. He applied, and was accepted as the first Black member of the Greek Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity on the campus, pending his

"initiation."

BUT YOUNG Flower did not survive the initiation. He died when the walls of a mock-grave he was lying in, collapsed around him. The Monmouth Chapter was suspended by the national body and several students were charged with manslaughter.

As the news spread, Greek lettered fraternities and sororities around the country began rewarning their chapters against "hazing," as such initiation rites have come to be known.

But Flower's death has spawned deeper repercussions for the Greek fraternities and sororities than rewarnings and

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are entering into universal commercial business and we have the President of the Commercial world, to help us.

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FACE TO FACE

Muhammad Speaks interviews Liberian Ambassador-At-Large, Attorney Adolphus Benedict Tolbert, eldest son of Liberian President Dr. William Tolbert Jr.

Muslims, Liberians: "Enact the role of Allah on earth, establish kingdom."

(The following interview was conducted by Muhammad Speaks' Editor Charles 67X during a recent tour of the Nation of Islam's enterprises by the Attorney Adolphus Benedict Tolbert, Liberia's ambassador - at - large and eldest son of Liberian President, Dr. William R. Tolbert Jr.)

M.S.: Just a few weeks ago, Muhammad Speaks newspaper did a special issue on the problem of famine and hunger; we did two issues on it. At that time we reported for the first time since Black people have been in this country, that the crisis of food was becoming so crucial that there might be a time when Black people will have to really consider other means of feeding ourselves, and this is an area perhaps your country or your visit will be able to shed some light on.

Amb. Tolbert: Well, Mr. Editor, I must thank you first of all for inviting me to your headquarters. I have identified myself with the cause of Islamic programs and Islamic groups in Africa. I'm closely identified with the Islamic movement in Senegal, Cairo and Liberia, Guinea and Gambia, in Nigeria.

I was led to the light of truth of Islam by a great prophet from our time in Africa whose name is Sheik Muhammad Ahmad - so I feel a great reverence for the man whom I think is one of the greatest religious leaders of the world today - Elijah Muhammad.

I have a great respect for and I honor this man. I identify with this movement and with the brothers of this movement. I'm going home to Liberia to carry the glad tidings of the grand news from the Nation of Islam and of the truth and of the light that we as fellow men will follow in years to come.

One of the great curses that has been inflicted upon the Black man - a self-imposed curse - is the curse of disunity. We have no faith in ourselves, and we have no faith in our leadership.

This is something that we as leaders of the world and of the Black world have to strive in the (fabrics) of Islam: to project the consciousness of unity.

Whether it is in religion, whether it is in politics, whether it is nation building, whether it is in continental structure, whether it is a nation within a nation - we must have unity.

I would say that as a Pan Africanist, we must utilize the resources of the Third - World for the benefit of the people of the Third - World - and I call you, the Nation within a Nation, one of the Third - World. My great ambassadorial message is that the people of the Third - World must move toward the combining of their resources and appreciating the value of their raw materials: by going into transformation of the raw materials by way of industries; by way of transfusing our ideas into institutions and from the institutions into the building of economic entities, and out of the entities into the production line thereby providing consumer goods and the capital.

Our nations have been used for too long. And we have sat on as blind people wearing a one-eyed mask, have been half blind to refuse and abuse.

With these particular inducements and with the large ample availability of land, we then have an opportunity to pool the resources of people, such as members from the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's group who believe in unity.

We must blend this ethnic power you have, which is just an extension of ourselves in this part of the world, bring our forces back together and utilize all our ingenuities. You have the know-how, you have the skills and we have the land... when you want to have privacy.

Amalgamated, your resources would bring about a strong economic unity among ourselves and religion. Allah cannot come from heaven to man.



Ambassador Adolphus Benedict Tolbert

Allah is in us, within us. By we being a part of Allah, we must play the role of Allah on earth and establish Allah's kingdom.

So I believe that my message to the Nation of Islam is to invite you to join forces with us, the Islamic people of Liberia and the government of Liberia which is the most liberal government in the world, where there is no segregation, no violence, no stumbling blocks and barriers because of any religious belief.

Where the government, the President, William Tolbert - who is a devout Christian contributes to the Muslim building of Mosques and other institutions, to the migration of pilgrims from Mecca and who goes to the Mosque himself to worship because we feel that in this day and time - we must have unity. And if the Third-World is to survive, anything that stands in the way of unity we must break it down.

We must follow the most disciplined. I believe that we need the clear mind which is free from alcoholism, a clear vision which is free from heavy intoxicating drinks, and a clear system which is clear from all of the pollution of the white schools that taught these things.

The clear constitution is the body in which the right spirit is going to end under great leadership. And so I firmly conform with you, my dear brother that now is the time that we should make unity itself not in mere rhetoric, not in mere talk not in mere propaganda, but we must share the pie.

We have the land, you have the resources. Bring the land and resources together: come to your

motherland from which you have been forcefully led to leave.

M.S.: I noticed from reading the material that you provided that you went to school here in a college in Ohio, so you probably had an opportunity to observe the condition in which Black people reside, which at that time I suspect and as of right up until this very minute you've observed, that for the most part are pretty intolerable and pitiful conditions. And in that regard, your proposal at this time which suggests that black people from this country, particularly the Nation of Islam, look toward investing resources in your nation must be based on something which you've seen in the Nation of Islam which causes you to speculate that the Nation of Islam might do something - given the opportunity - that other people might not so. What is that?

Amb. Tolbert: Discipline, character, integrity, works, reputation! These are some of the characteristics that make up a wholesome man and I have found that your organization is one of the most disciplined Black organizations in the whole world.

I've found that you're militant. Not militant to go around looting, burglarizing or breaking down houses. To me this is no militancy. First, militancy is to stand erect and prove yourself to the world that you are as great as any other man in the world because you can do exactly what any other man is doing.

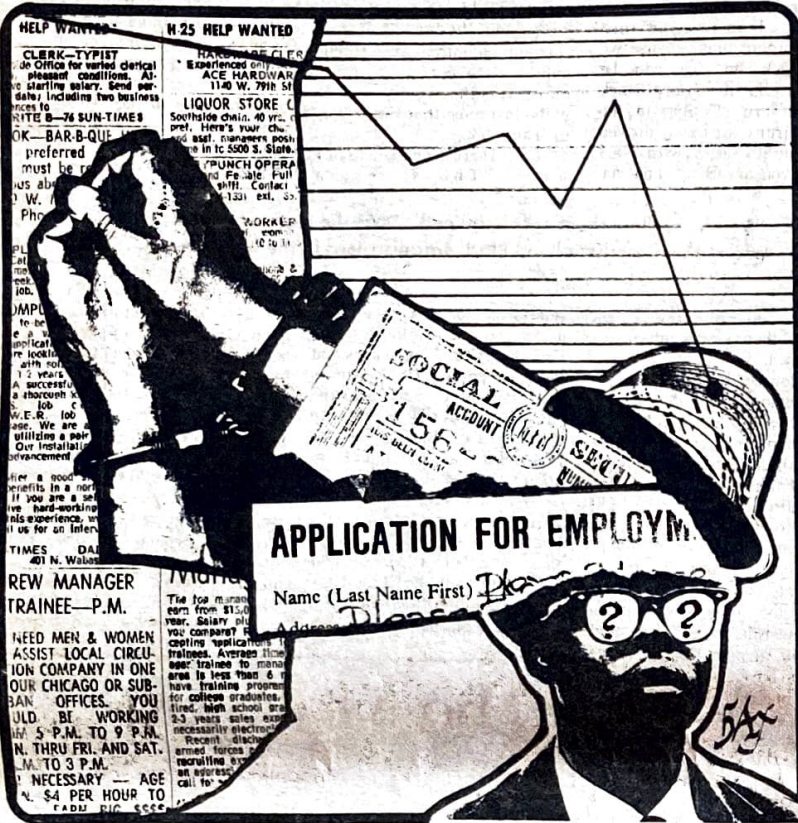
This is the greatest militancy. And the white world, and the Black world in this country who are not members of



AMBASSADOR TOLBERT joins three of the Nation of Islam's highest officials at the beautiful Salaam Restaurant. Accompanying the ambassador are (L to R.) National Secretary Abass Rassoull, Asst. Supreme Captain Elijah Muhammad Jr., and Supreme Captain Raymond Sharrief.

Faltering economy tests social strength

Economic stress compounds psychological adjustment



what that relationship is," he said.

Dr. Hochstadt said it was his impression that unemployment causes excessive strain on a family and that as the monetary problems mount the likelihood of divorce and family deterioration mount.

"Unemployment is kind of like the straw that broke the camels back," he said.

He said those persons visiting Roseland Medical Center are mostly young single persons or young couples on the verge of divorce.

THE PRESENT economic situation is ushering in a new, more detrimental set of values, some observers contend.

According to Dr. Mehlinger, an incident such as the recent fire-bombing of a currency exchange in which a young pregnant Black woman was killed allegedly by a 21-year-old Black youth bent on revenge, and the mob murder of a Black robbery suspect by about 40 Latinos is indication that violence may become more prevalent and acceptable to the average citizen.

Maintaining that crime will become the alternative to joblessness. Ms. Margarita Roxberry, a Latino psychiatric social worker asked **Muhammad Speaks:**

"What am I to tell these people? (who are out of a job) Should I just tell them to wait and starve?"

"DISCIPLINE AND family solidarity will be a decisive factor in the survival of Blacks during the present economic crisis, according to Dr. Mehlinger.

"We, especially our young men, need discipline to develop a better self image and one thing I can say about Mr. Muhammad is that He is disciplining our people and strengthening the Black family."

Dr. Mehlinger said Mr. Muhammad was taking the Black man and making him an achiever, a key factor in building a positive self image.

"It's the negative self image that causes our young men to attack each other and disrespect our women," he said. "This is just one aspect of poverty that continues to cause grave social problems."

By James Hoard Smith
(M.S. Staff Writer)

CHICAGO—The prevailing economic situation will have a cataclysmic effect on some families and individuals but might strengthen others, some mental health authorities and social scientists contend.

"Poverty and economic uncertainty can define social situations and often have a traumatic effect on people, but some individuals and families are strengthened by poverty while others deteriorate and develop serious mental disorders," said Dr. Kermit Mehlinger, a Black psychiatrist in Chicago, in an exclusive interview with **Muhammad Speaks**.

A CONSULTANT to several

mental health clinics, Dr. Mehlinger said any impoverished group is bound to have its share of disorders due to stress and frustration brought on by the ordeal of survival in a hostile society.

However, he said inflation, recession and the threat of a depression have many white Americans under stress and that it may prove difficult for them to cope with the present economic situation.

Dr. Mehlinger said history has indicated that for the most part Blacks have been strengthened as a result of lingering economic hardship and that inherent humanistic qualities and the ability to relate to people as opposed to property has been a sustaining factor.

"Unlike Blacks most whites seem to find it difficult to turn to each other for strength in times of crisis," he said.

SOME MENTAL health personnel maintain that when joblessness and unemployment rises, the number of persons visiting mental health clinics increase.

However, according to Dr. Neil Hochstadt, a psychiatrist with the Roseland Medical Center in Chicago, it is difficult to show "cause and effect" in a rigorous scientific way because a correlation does not necessarily show cause and effect.

"We know that sometimes an increase in visits to mental health clinics and rising unemployment occur together but it's difficult to determine

Black Greek fraternities, relevant?

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re-avowal of policy can avert. It has brought into question, the value and the relevancy of the college-based Greek societies and for Blacks it also revives the issue of identity and cultural orientation.

At Monmouth President Richard J. Stonestiel immediately urged the gradual elimination of all fraternities. Hazing, he said, could not be controlled, even though many colleges and some states have laws outlawing such practices.

IT IS well known that most of the white college fraternities have stepped outside legal

bounds in carrying out senseless and dangerous antics throughout their history. Evidence of Black "Greek" societies engaging in such dangerous initiation ceremonies is rare although acknowledged by some as having "likely" occurred.

According to Ms. Lynette Taylor, executive director of the Delta Sigma Theta, "We look upon the incident (Flower's death) with abhorrence. Hazing and harassment has been outlawed. We do not take part in or condone anything that dehumanizes anyone." While it

was possible, she acknowledge, it was "unlikely" that individual Delta chapters would violate the ban on such activity.

Turning to the question of relevancy in the light of the "well publicized" "social high life" of the Greek societies, Ms. Taylor contends that by-and-large, Black Greek societies are less "fun" oriented whereas the white college fraternities serve primarily as a fun outlet for the students.

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Ambassador Tolbert stresses Black unity



AMBASSADOR TOLBERT assists Muhammad Speaks' pressman, Clarence 14X, in sorting the newspapers during tour of the Muhammad Speaks building.

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your organization if they are ashamed of becoming members, deep within their hearts they know that you are the most militant but yet the most disciplined, the most

organized operation going. I'd like to set a good example and break maybe a track record. Don't hand me the argument that because we are Black no one can be together. But if you are Black and you are sleeping in the gutter drunk all night, do you want me to sleep with you? No! If you are Black and you

I want us to use that as an example that we must be prepared. I like to be identified with you because it's a spiritual identity, an ethnic identity—the contact that we make. It is the missing link; it is the lost tribe that I'm trying to draw back.

M.S.: There's one question I have: The Liberian

did they permit exploitation but they had no other chance. It's just like a man against a wall, he had nothing to do but to submit. Or a man on his back on the ground, after a round or about — after the count of nine if he doesn't come up he's completely finished. So it is in this dilemma that we were found.

'We must follow the most disciplined... You (the Nation of Islam) is one of the most disciplined Black organizations in the whole world.'

are looting, or breaking down houses, or burning down places, then you want me to identify myself with you? No! I will identify myself with the man who is projecting my spirit and my image and is an extension of myself, one united with Allah. Then that man or myself must work to illumine the truth and spread the light so the man that is in the gutter can come up to us on our level.

But our first thing to do is to combine our resources. You come and join us in Liberia because Liberia is 50 per cent Islamic and in that land we have no barriers.

But one thing I would like to say is not to be so far fetched and put the cart before the horse. Our's is the time to meet an acute demand—the food crisis.

When Joseph was sold into slavery in Egypt, he provided for his brethren. He was the one who when they came from the ... and the people of Egypt, from his advice stored corn and food so that when the famine hit the land they were able to supply their food.

government has had a reputation of one that has permitted the exploitation of the land by the Westerners and the Europeans. How true is this and what now are the Eibarian people doing to demonstrate and to assert themselves as the equals of other people of society?

Amb. Tolbert: To an extent I would say that this is a half-truth. Half-truth in the sense that the Liberian people have been exploited, but they have been exploited against their will. They did not condone nor

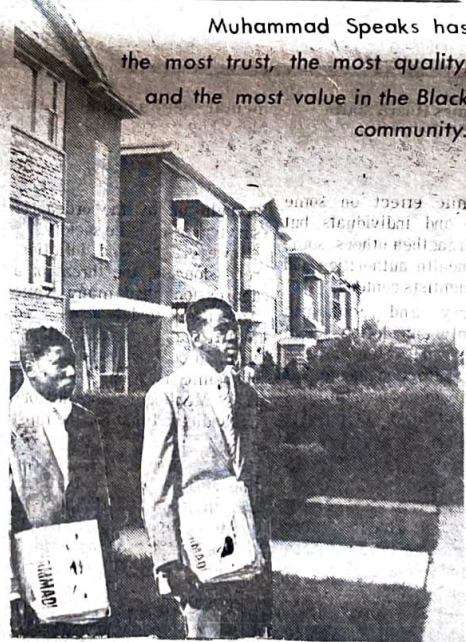
We as a Black nation and the oldest Black republic in Africa, did not enjoy the benefit of being accompanied by the emergence of the other African nations at the time to have an endowed corporate Black nation.

So all economic structures, all economic powers were involved in this because Britain and France held territorial grounds around us, sliced up our property bit by bit. The United States should have been the closest friend of

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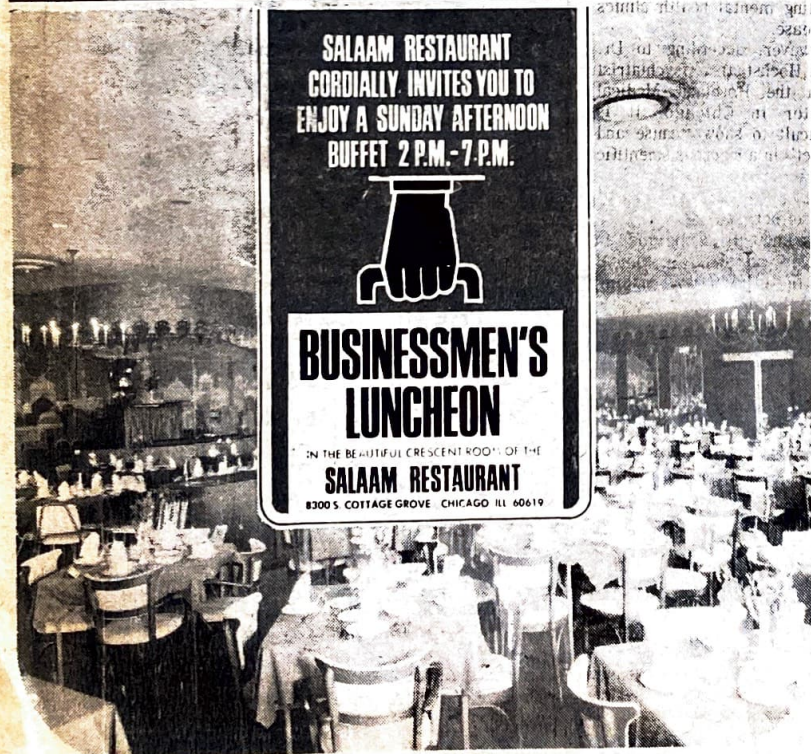


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'Third World' nations rebut United States' U.N. role

'...today's minority was yesterday's majority...'



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NEW POWER OF AFRICAN-ASIAN U.N. bloc was amply demonstrated in the General Assembly's recent decision to suspend South Africa from participation in its work. The vote was 91 in favor of 22 against with 19 abstentions. Note the empty seats of the South African delegation.

By Joe Walker
(M.S. New York Bureau)

UNITED NATIONS — Before the U.N.'s 29th General Assembly adjourned its 1974 session delegates from Arab, African, Asian, Latin American and socialist nations rebutted United States charges that the 138-member Assembly was currently ruled by "the tyranny of the majority."

In a related development, the U.S. announced it would boycott a special U.N. fund established to provide emergency relief and development aid to countries severely hit economically. It is viewed as a retaliation move by the U.S. against an increasing number of U.N. decisions the U.S. disapproves of. It marks the first time that the U.S. has refused to participate in a major U.N. effort.

In threatening terms, John Scali of the U.S. told the Assembly that majority decisions of the body were eroding U.S. public and congressional support of the U.N. Supporting the U.S. warning were France, England and West Germany.

Louis de Guiringaud of France said majority rule was democratic but must not be used to silence the minority and alienate states without whom resolution could not be carried out. Alois Mertes of West Germany declared that the majority should renounce "intransigent language" and not abuse procedural rules for political purposes. John O. Moreton of England expressed

concern about "unrealistic" and "one-sided" actions of the new majority in the U.N.

Leading the rebuttal was Abdellatif Rahal of Algeria. He said the Third World and the United Nations itself were being impugned; that today's minority was yesterday's majority which had drafted the Charter, set the rules and long ran things to suit itself; and that the U.N. must keep abreast and even ahead of the changes sweeping the world.

"In my view it is not the United Nations that has disappointed American opinion but, rather, the completely distorted image of the United Nations provided by the organs responsible for informing Americans," charged the Algerian representative. "The echo of our work received by American opinion is far from corresponding to what really goes on here."

China's Huang Hua said that the Assembly was now distinguishing itself by its contributions "to the struggle against colonialism, racism, Zionism, imperialism, and particularly super-power hegemonism."

"The alleged accelerated and dangerous trends of the great majority of states which the United States representative opposes is in fact none other than the emergence and growth of the numerous Third World countries after World War II, as well as their increasingly important role in international affairs and within the United Nations," asserted the Chinese representative.

Among other speakers, Chaidir Anwar Sani of Indonesia said the outcome of the debates on the Cambodia and Korea questions showed there was no mechanical majority in the Assembly, since those favoring the United States had won the day. In the Cambodia vote the Assembly turned back a proposal by China and a large group of nonaligned countries to recognize the Government-in-Exile headed by Prince Norodom Sihanouk (who resides in refuge in Peking) and to seat its Representatives at the U.N. The currently-seated Cambodian delegation is that of the government of Lon Nol — who overthrew Sihanouk in March of 1970 and is heavily-backed by the U.S. Government.

On Korea, the Assembly's First Committee (Political and Security) rejected — by a tie-vote of 48 to 48 with 38 abstentions — a resolution sponsored by some 40 states, including China and the Soviet Union, which asked for the withdrawal of all foreign forces in South Korea under the United Nations flag. The resolution said that foreign forces and outside intervention generally hindered North-South dialogue in Korea on a peace to replace the 1953 armistice.

Among Latin American speakers, Alfonso Garcia Robles of Mexico said that rather than a "tyranny of the majority" in the Assembly, there was all too often a "paralyzing dictatorship" of the big-power minority with its Security Council veto.

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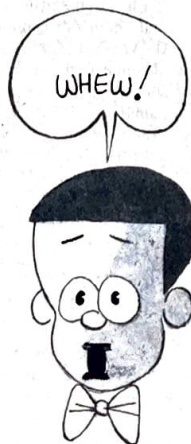
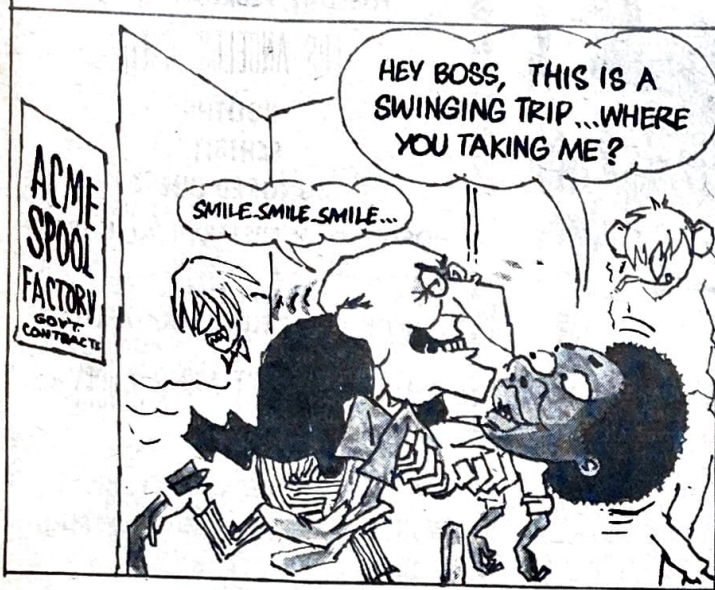
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AMERICA: THE DIVINE

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MANY of you may think that if America ends her war in Asia, that this will bring peace and prosperity to the people of America. Perhaps, someday, there may be a lull in the war but not now.

IF, AMERICA, and Asia, can find a way to bring about a cessation of the war between each other, this does not mean that peace and prosperity is assured; not at this time.

THERE is still the cold war in Berlin, between America and Russia and in other parts of Europe, to be reckoned with. Europe will become a dreaded spot when America leaves Asia. It is true, as the prophets have predicted, that America must come out of Asia, or be thrown out.

EACH, America and Russia, the two most powerful war - factors of the world, are seeking to maintain their rule over the nations of earth, and even to conquer outer - space. This will not last long.

IN THEIR travel and investigation into space, Allah, (God), is permitting them to peep into His Great, Unequalled Creation

of Power and Might, the heavens and earth. The Holy Qur'an, teaches, that when Allah (God) gets ready to destroy a people, He opens the doors of heaven to them. He gives them a peep into His Great Wisdom and Secrets. But this does not mean that this adds power to the enemy to be able to war against the Creator.

The reason for all of this is due to the fact that Allah (God) is setting up a

Kingdom of Righteousness, Freedom, Justice and Equality.

BLACK BROTHER, do not look for a high salary paying job drawing a big roll of money, after the war, unless with the help of Allah (God), you prepare this for yourself, which I advise you to do.

THE MOST dreadful Divine Judgments that have ever been witnessed by man, are now coming on America. America is the



THE END OF THE WAR COULD BRING ABOUT

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Target, because she could have bettered herself in the Divine Eyes of Allah (God), Who Came in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom Praises are due forever.

BUT AMERICA did not and will not, better herself, as it is written and prophesied, concerning Ancient Babylon and Egypt. "We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed...." Bible, Je. 51:9, (because she was not

willing to do justice by her captive Jews, from Jerusalem).

SO IT was with Pharaoh when Allah (Jehovah) went after Egypt, (Bible, Ex.). Pharaoh refused to give Justice to Israel and made war against Allah, (Jehovah), and His Prophet, Moses, to prevent, Israel, from going free of Pharaoh's enslavement of them.



The Honorable Elijah Muhammad,
Messenger of Allah

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Elijah Muhammad
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—to you All

Teachings of The Holy Qur'an:

SECTION 10

Believers Must Defend Themselves

71 O you who believe, take your precautions, then go forth in detachments or go forth in body.

72 And among you is he who would hang back. Then if a misfortune befalls you he says: Allah indeed bestowed a favour on me as I was not present with them.

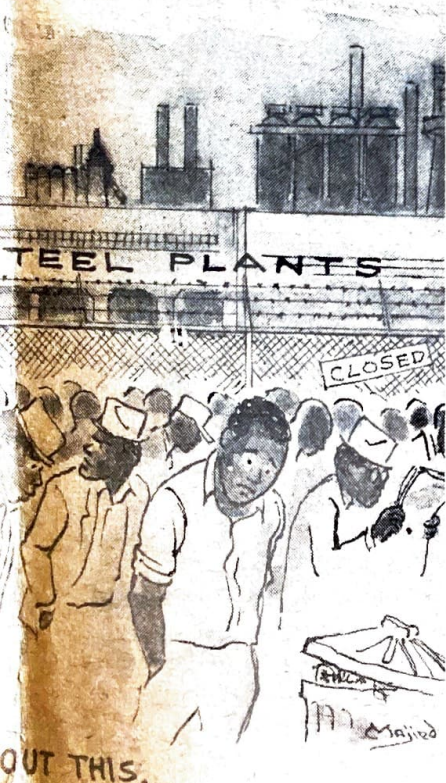
73 And if bounty from Allah comes to you, he would cry, as if there were no friendship between you and him: Would that I had been with them, then I should have achieved a mighty success!

74 So let those fight in the way of Allah who sell this world's life for

the Hereafter. And whoever fights in the way of Allah, be he slain or be he victorious, We shall grant him a mighty reward.

75 And what reason have you not to fight in the way of Allah, and of the weak among the men and the women and the children, who say: Our Lord, take us out of this town, whose people are oppressors, and grant us from Thee a friend, a grant us from Thee a helper!

76 Those who believe fight in the way of Allah, and those who disbelieve fight in the way of the devil: So fight against the friends of the devil; surely the struggle of the devil is ever weak.





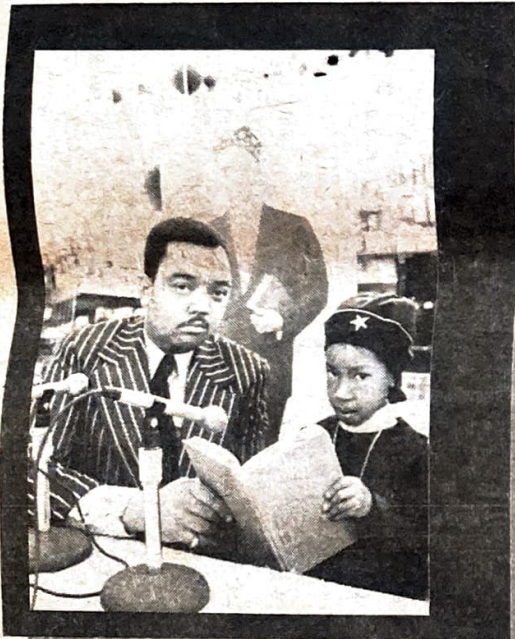
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(L-R) Radio host Wali Muhammad, singer Joe Williams, Kamal Karriem manager of YOUR Supermarket, performer Oscar Brown Jr.

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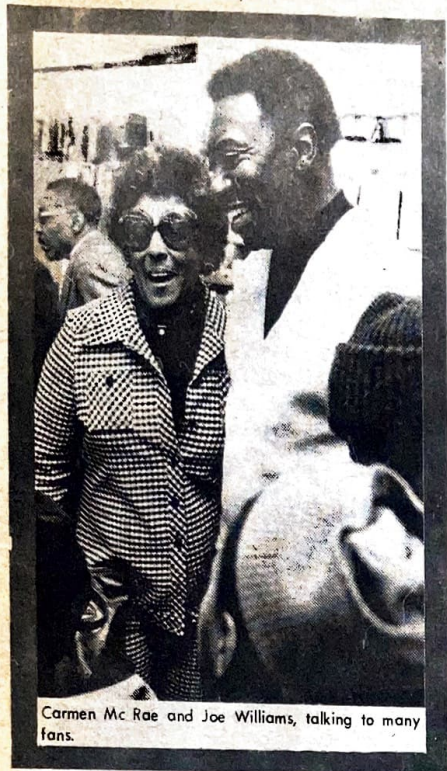


Top Left: Jesse Monan, assistant to president of Metropolitan Mutual Assurance Company of Chicago. Center: Ms. Barbara Green explains her Creative Grooming Products to reporter Larry 14X. Top Right: Vocalist Joe Williams extends warm greeting to fellow performer, Oscar Brown Jr.

Above:
Wali Muhammad interviews a student from the Muhammad University of Islam.

Bottom Right:
Ms. Frances T. Matlock, vice president and chairman for the American-West Indian Assn. and public relations director of the consulate of the Republic of Guyana, is interviewed by Wali Muhammad





Carmen Mc Rae and Joe Williams, talking to many fans.



(L-R) Spencer Leak, Vice president of A.R. Leaks Colonial Funeral Homes, Cleo Johnson of Cleo Johnson School of Charm & Modelling, and Leslie Bland, proprietor of Amy Jo Motel.

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(L-R) Wali Muhammad, host of WBEE'S "The Communicator," Oscar Brown Jr. supermarket manager Kamal Karriem, and radio & TV personality Wali Saddiq, display Muhammad imported Whiting H & G fish.



(L-R) Wali Muhammad, introduced by PR chief Theodore Bey, greets Oscar Brown Jr. as Co-host Bro. Saddiq looks on.



Above
After sampling Muhammad's imported fish, internationally acclaimed singer Joe Williams encourages purchase of Whiting H & G at Appreciation Month Celebration.





Carmen McRae, World renowned jazz vocalist, signing autograph for many fans at Appreciation Month Celebration.



Above:
Joe Williams during interview with M.S. staff reporter Bro. Larry 14X

Below:
(L-R) Eddie Thomas of Thomas Associates, Kamal Karriem, manager of YOUR Supermarket, and Paul Sarano of P&S Recording Company

Composer, vocalist, choreographer, dramatist, Oscar Brown Jr. as he appeared at Appreciation Month festivities.





Seated from right: Bro. Min. Earley X, Calumet Township Trustee Dozier Allen Jr, Indiana Senator Rudolph Clay, enjoy cordial atmosphere of Salaam Restaurant. Standing from left: Bro. Michael and Bro.Min. Samuel from Gary , Indiana.

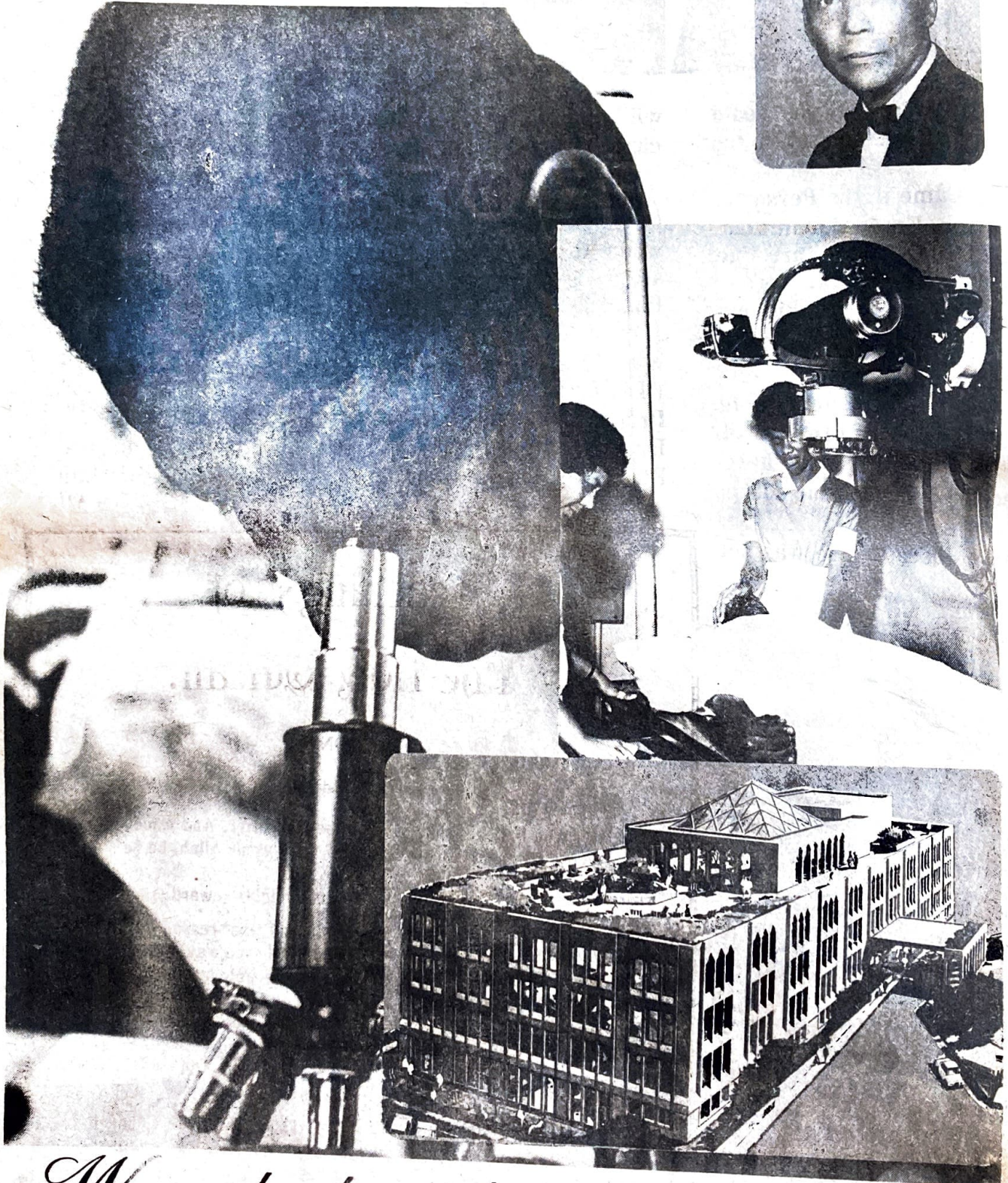
Below: Gloria T. Wailes, former Public Relations officer for the governor's Office of Human Resources, applauds progress of the Nation of Islam during interview with radio host Wali Muhammad at YOUR Supermarket's Appreciation Month Celebration.



"We have love for you and we want to show this love for you.

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M.S. college issue makes reader proud

Dear Brother Editor:

I greet you, my brother, with thanks for a fine publication.

I am extremely proud of the Dec. 20, issue on the Nation of Islam's college. Maybe now, my heretofore "white education" can be applied. I only pray that Allah endows

me with further strengths to apply myself to this worthy cause.

We, when Negroes, felt proud of being allowed into a so-called institution of higher learning; but now, as Muslims, that pride turns to shame unless we can translate that

"privilege" into something of value for the Nation of Islam.

I thank Allah for our last and greatest Messenger, the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

Respectfully,
Claudia 2X
Los Angeles, Calif.

Black unity 'the most powerful weapon'

Dear Brother Editor:

I commend you for the coverage in the Muhammad Speaks newspaper on the educational seminar that was held at our headquarters.

It was indeed a journalistic masterpiece that our great newspaper was able, in a few

sentences, to relate the greatness of Allah's last and greatest Messenger, the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad in projecting to the world how the Original man can pool his resources in spite of opposition.

But moreover, showing that unity is the most powerful weapon that Black people can

utilize behind our great leader and teacher.
Keep up the good works.

As-Salaam-Alaikum,
Brother Octavius A. X. Rowe
President and chief executive
Roxbury Medical-Technical
Institute—Roxbury, Mass.

'Where can we go when there are no jobs left?'

Dear Brother Editor:

I would like to commend you on the article "Food for Thought," written Oct. 25, 1974 in the Muhammad Speaks newspaper. It was indeed finely written and most thought-provoking article.

I bear witness to the fact that none of our people are talking about feeding ourselves in the future, especially the more "learned" ones among us.

Being a whole nation of people robbed and spoiled by the white man, there is little wonder that we can find only one man, and one group of people genuinely concerned about the future welfare of our

people.

In the face of oncoming depression, America is constantly telling our people that she has no more jobs and very little food left! Where does this leave the 30 million or more Black people in America?

There is only one possible hope for any of us, and that is to join our forces and resource behind the able guidance of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

All I am simply saying is that, all Praises are due to Allah for blessing us with the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the truth that He has brought to

His people.

Your brother in Islam,
Marcellus X
Garland, Texas

'Thank you!'

Dear Editor:

Thank you, thank you, thank you to the Muhammad Speaks newspaper.

The Honorable Elijah Muhammad is again performing a first, for our beloved leader is performing a 'Mind Transplant' on us. Again this is only another thank you along our way.

Rudolph X Terrell
Jackson, Mich.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

M.S. 'the only way we can find out the truth'

Dear Editor:

Out here in California, the only we can find out the truth about the Israeli and Arab problem, etc. is through your paper, Muhammad Speaks.

The Jews out here have the Gentile and Black's papers all sewn-up and the Black ministers are right on the Jews side: marching out here for the Israeli cause, taking collections and donations for them.

The Jews just gave our Black mayor out here a statue for helping Israel for something or other. It makes me sick!

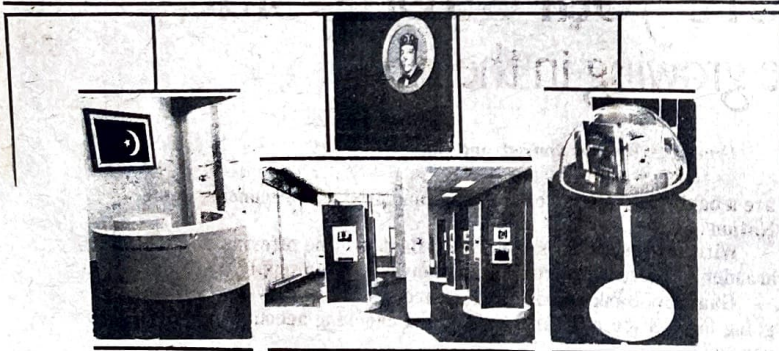
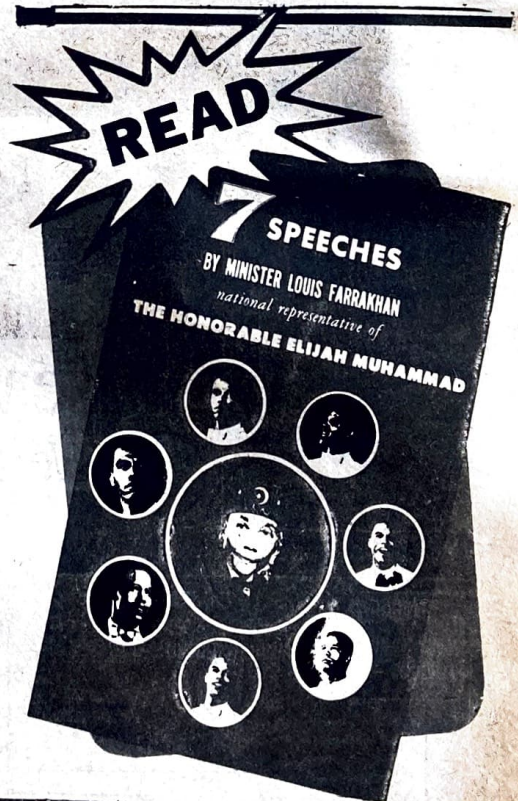
I'm a 50-year-old man, not

much education — only eight grade. But I can't see why, when a Black man like the Honorable Elijah Muhammad comes along and wants and needs so much help from His own kind, they wont listen.

Even if we don't look up to your religion, look what you have done for the Black people.

Will Jackson
Los Angeles, Calif.

P.S. For an old man like me to write, you know I think Mr. Muhammad is a great man. I hope He keep doing good—he'll wake them up soon. I've bought your paper every week for the past five years.



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Ethiopia: stability or civil war?

By Lonnie Kashif
(M.S. Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Haile Selassie has been dethroned as the Emperor of Ethiopia and his life is said to be in danger. New "rulers" now maintain military control of the country. Former Selassie

United States. THE DOWNFALL of Selassie, however, "changes nothing" for the Eritreans, spokesmen for a U.S. group known as the Eritreans for Liberation in North America (ELNA) declare. "As you might have noted in news accounts, the PMC is

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administrators and high political figures have been executed "for high crimes against the people."

A NEW SLOGAN, "Ethiopia First," is being proclaimed by the new men in power and they express intentions to create a socialist state. A new troop mobilization has been ordered in effect, and large battalions have been sent off to the Eritrean highlands where the guerrillas of the Eritrean Liberation Front conduct their armed struggle for "freedom."

What does it all mean for Ethiopia's future? Ethiopia is a divided country, except in name. For more than 20 years, it has been literally two countries bound together by thin legal documents of United Nation's origin, bolstered by the forceful might of Ethiopia's United States-armed, Israeli-trained crack troops.

THE NEW rulers of Ethiopia, known as the provincial Military Council (PMC), declare that Selassie and his former administrators (most of whom were among 59 who were secretly executed recently), sold the country out to foreigners, misused funds, supported graft, and enriched the government cliques at the expense of the Ethiopian people.

Other PMC charges against the ousted administration were similar to charges voiced in most coup d'etats such as "graft, corruption," and "insensitivity" toward people.

But from another point of view—that of the Eritrean Liberation Front, which claims support of "all" the Eritrean people—the major impetus for the downfall of Selassie's regime was the unresolved conflict between the Eritreans and the Ethiopians.

Technically, the Eritreans are Ethiopians, and citizens from Eritreans can only travel with Ethiopian passports. Yet, "No Eritrean will ever declare himself from Ethiopia," according to some Eritrean students contacted in the

sending another 8,000 troops to Eritrea to suppress the people. Isaac Menghes, an ELNA leader said. Noting that the initial PMC appointed chief, Gen. Aman Mikael Andom was also executed among the 59, Menghes surmised that Andom was killed simply because he had hesitated to send more troops to Eritrea, and had suggested a negotiated settlement of the Eritreans' claim for total independence from Ethiopia. Andom was reported to have been an Eritrean.

According to Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF) sources, the new proposed aggression against the Eritrean people constitutes what may become the "total struggle" of all the Eritrean people, which could speed up "the inevitable liberation and freedom of the country."

According to the ELNA, more than 50,000 innocent Eritreans have had to flee the Agordat province which has been Napalmed by the Ethiopian Air Force in an attempt to destroy the ELF bases. The refugees are said to reside in camp sites just inside the Sudanese border.

THE ERITREANS have a strong legal basis for their claim for independence, and in 1971 representatives for the ELF took their case to the U.N., the body which originally sanctioned the so-called federation of the two states in 1952.

Emperor Haile Selassie's demise had been expected, but his removal yet came as a shocking blow to the West, whose dependency on the Emperor to control unrest in Ethiopia through force of arms and International prestige has existed for two decades.

FURTHER, THE Eritreans claimed that the motive for the "recolonization" of Eritrea was bound to the fact that the U.S. and Israel had deep economic and military involvement in the area. The U.S. reportedly has military bases and intelligence outfits in the Asmara, Massaw, Gura and Keren provinces.

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Israel arms S. Africa

By Calvin Williams
(Special to Muhammad Speaks)

LUSAKA, Zambia — It has been revealed that Israel is to provide Gabriel surface to surface missiles for the South African Navy. Part of an extensive range of military equipment from missiles to jet fighters and marine craft now being manufactured in Israel, will be the first sea missiles to be received by South Africa.

Gabriel's latest version has a range of 20 nautical miles and the Gabriel missile was used against Syrian missile boats during the October War.

THE SALE OF missiles to the apartheid state is said to have come as a bombshell for Britain and other states which have refused to sell to the South Africans the missiles they so desperately need. South Africa's missile plan is a part of a major naval expansion program which will increase the size of the fleet from 27 to 43 ships within the next five years.

The Israeli Uzi guns are also used by the South Africans. The two white-ruled nations have a long history of collaboration on a military level, particularly in the field of counter-insurgency operations against African Liberation movements.

THE FORMER chief of Israeli Military Intelligence was recently in South Africa and thanked the government for the help that they gave to the Israeli Government during the October War. This was in reference to the supply of Mirage fighters provided the Israeli Air Force by the apartheid state during the Yom Kippur War.

There was also a call for more white immigration to Palestine, with many benefits for those of proven intellectual abilities.

Israel's military security and economic problems are not as important to her needs as is the desire for more white immigration to Palestine, stated one official closely associated with Zionist circles.

Charleston, S.C.

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respond to anything in the manner and way they received the teachings of Messenger Muhammad.

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Ambassador Tolbert

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Liberia because we spoke about democracy, we spoke about liberty, because our declaration of independence was almost a format of what they have.

We know that we were being jeered at and mocked by other African countries. We knew that we were fighting, we held the torch of freedom, for the whole of Africa. The torch of freedom for the liberation of all Black people. But yet in the absence of a cash flow and the absence of an opportunity to run your own affairs we were compelled or coerced to accept anything that you had to accept: to nibble and at least to walk.

This is the dilemma that we were in! So that is the truth that we were exploited. But it is also false that we aided this exploitation. Now this is what has been done in the edge of the talk of exploitation.

We have been very lucky to have now a president who is most militant and reformist to see that all concessional agreements of the country have been revised to the best benefit of the Liberian Government.

Now any concession whether it be a Firestone or a B.F. Goodrich or a U.S. Steel or a Bethlehem or a Goodyear: Whatever it is, would have to give our government 50 per cent of the net income of that corporation, 50 per cent in taxes also one-quarter for government royalties on all the raw materials exported from the country, and show full employment for our people and, show executive positions for Liberians who are qualified.

We have gone—and we are saying now that these raw materials that they are exporting out of the country should be appreciated to finished products in Liberia—such as tires. Why should Firestone take all of our rubber and bring it to the United States and finish and only share the profits on the raw material with us instead of sharing the profits on the finished products with us.

Now here is where you and I have to play: You have an economic base; you can come into Liberia, buy raw rubber from the same Firestone and we can tell them you have to sell it to them. You can make your tires in Liberia and export it to the United States as a competitor to Firestone also sell to Liberia and we will give the prime (50 per cent) because it is an industry. Besides the advent of the Firestone in Liberia although we have made some—we have gotten some benefits.

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Black newswoman's demotion angers media groups

By Michael L. Culbert
(M.S. Staff Writer)

CHICAGO — The demotion of a Black WBBM-TV news anchorwoman has been challenged by a multi-faceted, ad hoc media committee of Blacks which has banded together to refute the decision.

According to the Communications Coalition, racism and sexism played a dominant role in the CBS affiliate's move to replace anchorwoman Edwina Moore, who has been featured on the station's five o'clock news slot since July.

Ms. Moore, whose previous experience includes five years as a television news reporter in Miami and Chicago, was the only woman serving in this capacity in the Chicago area.

Neil Derrough, newly appointed general manager of WBBM, said the decision was reached because Ms. Moore and co-anchorman Van Gordon Sauter did not work well together as a team and showed-up poorly in the ratings.

When contacted about the decision, Ms. Moore said she was too emotionally involved in the decision to comment rationally.

The committee however charged that Derrough's action was in "blatant disregard" of the progress in upgrading Black news personnel demonstrated by his predecessor, Robert Wussler, who was transferred from the Chicago office.

Since his appointment, the group pointed out, Derrough, who has had no previous experience in television administration, has also been responsible for demoting and reducing the on-air news personnel, Burleigh Hines, former WBBM-TV editorial director and veteran Black news anchorman Harry Porterfield.

Although Ms. Moore possesses excellent credentials for the position, no serious consideration was given by CBS officials toward

presenting her alone on the show or toward pairing her with Bill Kurtis, who has replaced the team, the committee believes.

The committee has labeled the decision unjust and believes it may do "incalculable harm" to Ms. Moore's future career in communications.

It was only after group spokesmen talked with Derrough, they note, that she was charged with "insufficient professionalism."

Al Duckett, president of the Society of Writers and Editors in America, Inc. and chairman of the committee, said that Derrough agreed to meet with the group, but not before the replacement had already gone into effect.

Although Derrough could not be reached for comment, Burleigh Hines, who was shifted from editorial director to investigative reporter, disclaimed published rumors that he had been demoted by Derrough.

"I haven't been demoted," Hines explained. "I took the job 18 months ago with the understanding that I was going back into news after two years. I've always professed an inkling to get back into news rather than just plain old editorializing."

When asked about the controversy surrounding Ms. Moore's replacement, Hines replied, "I'm not privy to the numbers (ratings) on that show, but the important factor is that Edwina is a very competent newswoman and for her to go down with the whole ship when there were others on the show who were not as good as she was is just unfair."

Groups comprising the committee include the National Association of Media Women, the Task Force for Community Broadcasts and the Black Media Representatives. Other organizations cooperating include the National Black Feminists and members of the Sanctuary House of Israel.

Islam transforms Baptist minister

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Atlanta and joined a quartet called the "Five Trumpets." At age 25, he became a Christian preacher.

He had noted that people believed in preachers and looked up to them. Stafford read completely through the Bible at least four times. When the Korean conflict broke out in the early 1950s, he spent eight days in jail because he refused to serve, even though he was offered a Chaplain's

position.

THE REV. STAFFORD became a community preacher in East Point and Kirkwood where he would separate fighting Blacks on weekends.

He said his experiences had helped him develop a concept of "The Right Way" and "The Wrong Way" and the "Best Way You Can" for Black survival.

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Do not forsake the Religion of Islam

By Alverda X
Temple No. 2

"And who forsakes the Religion of Abraham (Islam) but he who makes a fool of himself." The Holy Qur'an: Chapter 2, Verse 130.

This is so true, and when we hear it we most often think of one who overtly turns his or her back on Islam and goes back out into the world from whence they came. Surely they are in manifest error.

But there is another kind who forsakes Islam—who tastes of the forbidden fruit (ways and actions) telling themselves that they will not die.

They mistreat a fellow believer and because they did not die instantly (were not ostracized from the ranks of the believers) they taste a little more and a little more of this forbidden fruit and each time the fear of Allah becomes less and less until there are some who end up brazenly disrespecting the Messenger's followers—which is ultimately disrespect of the Messenger, Himself, because His followers are His property.

This is a manner of forsaking the Religion of Islam. Do these so-called Muslims believe they are hiding from Allah and that in the end they will not die?

Their ways and actions are killing them gradually. They lose the radiance that a follower has, who is striving earnestly to submit himself to the will of Allah, and they become dull and boring.

Those of you who may be a victim of such mistreatment from another believer, take heart in the knowledge that Allah is here in the Person of

Master Fard Muhammad and sees and knows—all of a person's actions and intentions behind their actions, and that they are stacking up bad deeds on the left side of their own ledger.

Leave such people to Allah. Those of my people who have not yet joined the ranks of the followers of the Messenger: Do not use the wrong doings of one who calls himself or herself a Muslim as the barometer of the Messenger's teachings.

Study the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad; they stand on their own merits. Do not use such a weak excuse to remain on the outside lest you have your part in the fire along with those whose bad deeds outweigh their good deeds in the end.

'I love you now!'

Rayvonn Osborne
(Processing)
Macon, Ga.

I'm writing to let you know how the teachings of Islam have changed me, and how I feel about the Nation of Islam now. Messenger Muhammad is the only one that made me feel like a man. Since I've heard the teachings of Islam, I love my people more than ever.

I know Allah is God and there is no doubt in my mind that Messenger Muhammad is His Apostle. Before hearing the teaching of Islam I hated the name Muhammad. This was done through my ignorance. I love you now!!!

I cannot thank Allah enough for such a great leader, teacher, and guide as the last Messenger of Allah, the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

Muhammad's MGT: the most blessed of women

By Sister Marie 3X
Temple No. 26

Truly we the Black, so-called Negro, women in North America have been favored above all women of all time in that Allah, God, has made us the helpmate of the best man ever to walk the face of the earth.

No other woman can dream of or attain the perfection that is to be the Black woman's lot under the Divine guidance of the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, because no other woman has been given not only a God, but God with whom to toil and undergo tribulations.

In truth, this American society is a brutal society, the worst of all societies. Surely living here is made bearable only by the assurance that the best steel goes through the hottest fire and the best diamonds are produced under the greatest pressure.

Therefore the woman who shines her spirit by shining her man's spirit (making him a slave not to herself, but to the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad and his wisdom) here in the hells of North America will be the best jewel.

The M.G.T. who serves the F.O.I. entrusted to her care in such a way that she brings out the Divine qualities in him, has not only served him, but has

He has made me free by my accepting the truth. He has taught me to respect myself and put love and concern in me for my Black brothers and sisters in the wilderness of North America. He has opened my eyes so I can see the reality of life. He has given me the light of understanding which is most important for us to unite together.

Again I thank Allah for the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad: for what He has done for me. After 13 years, I have been blessed with a new birth.

All Praises are forever due to Allah for the greatest man on the face of the Planet Earth, besides Almighty God Allah, Himself.

served all of humanity, because the greater the manifestation of Divine qualities in a man, the greater will be his service to his community and the quicker will be all of our entrance into that hereafter of mental and physical bliss.

Hardworking but blissful: A unified Black society with the Will of Allah (freedom, justice, equality) in full force and effect.

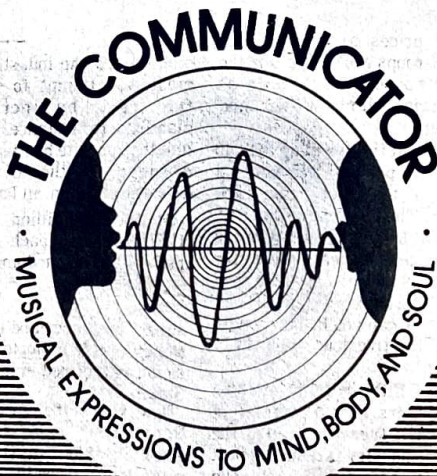
So, my sisters, let us forever thank the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad and His God, Allah, Master Fard Muhammad, for this sublime opportunity to once again experience "at-one-ment" with the Maker(s), the Owner(s), the Cream of the Planet Earth, God(s) of the Universe.

And let us remember, pray and act on this prayer: "Thanks, thanks to Allah, our God, in the person of Master Fard Muhammad, the Great Mahdi, who was to come and has come, to restore—'we' who were lost from our Own—the kingdom of Islam—and to destroy those who have destroyed us.

"Thou art our God, O Allah, and we are Thy people. Deliver us from our murderers and we will serve and obey Thee all the days of our life and we will teach our children Thy Praises and to submit to Thee for Thy Unequaled Love and Mercy for us.

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Sugar prices increase consistently

Corporate profits soar, consumers lose

NEW YORK (LNS) — A quick run to the supermarket these days usually turns up dozens of complaints about the soaring price of food, and one of the greatest complaints heard across the country is about sugar prices.

CONSUMERS NOW have to pay four times what they did last January for sugar and all the products made from sugar. With each person in the United States consuming an average of more than 100 pounds of sugar a year, this is serious

THE SUGAR industry's argument that this year's sugar prices result completely from dwindling supply and increasing demand, just doesn't hold water, especially since this trend has gone on for the past four years.

Besides, government policy-

quadrupled for consumers since the beginning of 1974.

The sugar industry is "causing shortages to provide capital for their own companies," concludes Hank Frundy, a member of the Union for Radical political Economics (URPE).

1974)—a record year in all respects."

Domino's sales were up 27 per cent in the first half of 1974. Climbing raw sugar costs were simply passed on to the consumer on top of a refiner's markup of about 20 per cent.

BUT BEET sugar operations

pricing and sales, says Mike Locker of the North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA).

Since the 1920's U.S. corporations have maintained influence in sugar-producing countries through direct ownership of lands and mills.

As recently as 1967, for instance, the giant conglomerate Gulf & Western Industries, Inc. acquired about 300,000 acres of the best plantation land in the Dominican Republic along with a mill, a private railroad and private shipping facilities.

Cane-cutters in the Dominican Republic get 75 cents a day for 12 hours of back-breaking work. "The set-up is run virtually like a feudal estate," explains Locker, with the company controlling every aspect of life.

But direct land holdings by the United States are now the exception to the rule. Nationalist movements, like one in Peru in 1969, have forced U.S. sugar concerns, like the W.R. Grace Company, to leave.

To get around this, notes Locker, the U.S. now assumes less obvious forms of control in foreign countries, including contracting with foreign growers who are obligated to sell back to the U.S. in order to repay loans.

Meanwhile, sugar refining companies have reported windfall profits — one with gains of 2,000 per cent over last year...

business. Meanwhile, sugar refining companies have reported windfall profits—one with gains of 2,000 per cent over last year—causing consumers to wonder exactly what's up.

"It's just crazy," said one angry shopper. "Sugar seems to be in everything my kids eat—in cereals, cookies, candy. Even fruit juices are full of it. Christmas'll be a disaster this year. The only thing that'll drop is the dental bills."

CANDY BARS are shaved down and sold at higher prices; small bakers are going out of business; and even sugarless soft drink producers have taken the opportunity to raise their prices as well. Health care groups are publicizing the effects of sugar on the body, as the price climbs higher and higher.

"When it first went up to \$1.10 (for five pounds) I thought I'd wait til the price came back down. Then it went up to \$1.49, then \$1.69...and I finally broke down and bought some for \$2.39. Now that it's reached \$3.69, I feel like I got a bargain. But how can you be happy with \$2.39 for five lousy pounds of sugar?"

FACED WITH irate consumers and the threat of national sugar boycotts, the sugar industry is doing its best to excuse itself for the skyrocketing prices.

Recent full-page ads run by Amstar Corporation, the nation's giant sugar refining company, have pinned the blame completely on "natural" phenomena. They claim that crop failures in recent years have tightened sugar supplies, while worldwide demand for sugar has risen.

What they forget to mention, however, is how producers have profiteered through artificial shortages created by federal policies, and speculation in the sugar market.

makers and the industry have made no attempt to reverse the trend by increasing plantings, for instance. In fact, just the opposite has happened. Acreage in the U.S. has deliberately been cut back.

Of the 11.7 million tons the U.S. consumes each year, 60 per cent is grown domestically (some cane sugar and all of the best sugar and all of the best sugar consumed) and the other 40 per cent is imported as raw sugar and refined in the United States.

This year, the Agriculture Department paid domestic grower \$90 million in subsidies, according to the *Boston Globe*, for not growing sugar crops. The money came from an excise tax paid by refiners, but eventually passed on to the consumer.

THE EFFECT of this subsidy was to cut further into an already declining supply. This year's beet sugar crop, all of which the U.S. grows domestically, was down 9 per cent from last year's already low output, and sugar cane production dropped 2 per cent. In line with the "free market" laws of supply and demand, the industry then took advantage of the short supply by raising prices, which have now

SUGAR COMPANIES have indeed sweetened their profits this year. The Michigan Sugar Company, the state's largest beet sugar producer, posted unprecedented profit this year of 2,000 per cent above last year's.

Great Western Sugar, the largest beet sugar processor, saw its "earnings" climb 1,200 per cent for the 1974 July to September period, compared with last year.

Over the same period of time Amstar Corporation, which controls 25 per cent of all sugar refining in the U.S., posted profits of 250 per cent. And if not for a change in its accounting methods, (a common corporate technique for hiding unsightly profits) it would have shown a yearly profit increase of 420 per cent.

Amstar's Domino division produces one-sixth of all beet sugar sold in the U.S. "As the nation's largest sugar refiner," reports a recent issue of *Business Week*, "New York-based Amstar Corporation has been pacing the soaring price trend."

Amstar's 1974 fiscal report explains that "our cane division benefitted dramatically from the changed supply-demand relationship

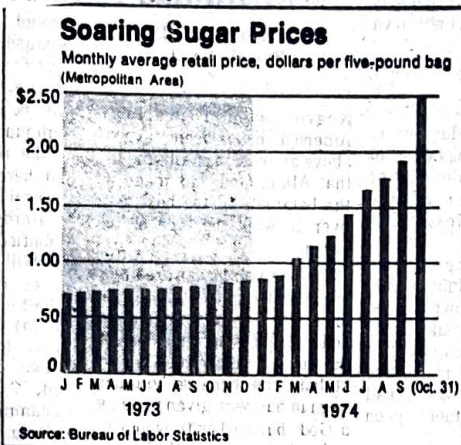
have accounted for the bulk of Amstar's profits. Its Spreckels (beet sugar) division has managed to reap all-time high profits, while selling less sugar than at any time in the last four years.

The sugar industry tries to justify its gargantuan gains by claiming, in the word of Amstar's president, Robert Quittmeyer, that "sugar has always been priced too low."

"Look at all those years when they were only marginally profitable," he says, "Why shouldn't they make up for it—even in one year, if they can?"

"The sugar industry wants its share of the new agricultural pie that some big companies have been benefitting from," notes URPE member Hank Frundy. Amstar's Quittmeyer asks, "Why shouldn't farmers make a decent return?" But the term "farmers" is misleading. In the sugar industry, which is vertically integrated, farmers and refiners are often one and the same outfit.

REFINING COMPANIES, for instance, either own the sugar land and growing operations directly, or they contract with growers, often maintaining control through



Profits in the Sugar Industry

Company	Net income (millions of \$)	Per cent change from 1973	Thursday stock price close	Stock price, 1974 range
CPC International ¹	\$20.3	+17.2%	29 3/4	35-23 3/4
Amstar ¹	16.7	+227.8	31 3/4	33 3/4-23 3/4
Great Western United ²	14.3	+1,121.8	25	25 1/2-3 1/2
National Sugar Refining ³	1.3*	**	not traded	

¹ Quarter ended Sept. 30 ² Quarter ended Aug. 31
³ Quarter ended June 30 *Indicated earnings. **Loss

The Sugar Quota

Within the United States, growers in Louisiana, Florida, Texas and Hawaii have been guaranteed a specific share of the market for 40 years through the 1934 Act. This Act artificially restricts the U.S. supply of sugar by setting a quota limiting the amount the U.S. can import from other countries are allowed to sell a certain percentage of this quota to the U.S., until recently, at prices higher than the world market price.

The sugar quota is regulated by a House of Representatives subcommittee and has long been used as a tool in foreign policy. With the advent of the Cuban revolution in 1959, for example, the U.S. cut the amount of sugar imported from Cuba and later placed a total embargo on it.

Now, the Philippines, Dominican Republic, Mexico and Brazil are the top four exporters of sugar to the U.S. Even South Africa is on the list.

In the past, the Sugar Act has kept the price of raw sugar which the U.S. pays three cents higher than the world market price, inducing sugar-exporting countries to sell to the U.S. and fill the quota allotted them.

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1. We want freedom. We want a full and complete freedom.
2. We want justice. Equal justice under the law. We want justice applied equally to all, regardless of creed or class or color.
3. We want equality of opportunity. We want equal membership in society with the best in civilized society.
4. We want our people in America whose parents or grandparents were descendants from slaves, to be allowed to establish a separate state or territory of their own — either on this continent or elsewhere. We believe that our former slave masters are obligated to provide such land and that the area must be fertile and mineral rich. We believe that our former slave masters are obligated to maintain and supply our needs in this separate territory for the next 20 to 25 years—until we are able to produce and supply our own needs.

Since we cannot get along with them in peace and equality, after giving them 400 years of our sweat and blood and receiving in return some of the worst treatment

human beings have ever experienced, we believe our contributions to this land and the suffering forced upon us by white America, justifies our demand for complete separation in a state or territory of our own.

5. We want freedom for all Believers of Islam now held in federal prisons. We want freedom for all black men and women now under death sentence in innumerable prisons in the North as well as the South.

We want every black man and woman to have the freedom to accept or reject being separated from the slave master's children and establish a land of their own.

We know that the above plan for the solution of the black and white conflict is the best and only answer to the problem between two people.

6. We want an immediate end to the police brutality and mob attacks against the so-called Negro throughout the United States.

We believe that the Federal government should intercede to see that black men and women tried in white courts receive justice in accordance with the laws of the land or allow us to build a new nation for ourselves, dedicated to justice, freedom and liberty.

7. As long as we are not allowed to establish a state or territory of our own, we demand not only equal justice under the

laws of the United States, but equal employment opportunities NOW!

We do not believe that after 400 years of free or nearly free labor, sweat and blood, which has helped America become rich and powerful, that so many thousands of black people should have to subsist on relief, charity or live in poor houses.

8. We want the government of the United States to exempt our people from ALL taxation as long as we are deprived of equal justice under the laws of the land.

9. We want equal education—but separate schools up to 16 for boys and 18 for girls on the condition that the girls be sent to women's colleges and universities. We want all black children educated, taught and trained by their own teachers.

Under such schooling system we believe we will make a better nation of people. The United States government should provide, free, all necessary text books and equipment, schools and college buildings. The Muslim teacher shall be left free to teach and train their people in the way of righteousness, decency and self respect.

10. We believe that intermarriage or race mixing should be prohibited. We want the religion of Islam taught without hinderance or suppression.

These are some of the things that we, the Muslims, want for our people in North America.

What the Muslims Believe

1. WE BELIEVE in the One God Whose proper Name is Allah.

2. WE BELIEVE in the Holy Qur'an and in the Scriptures of all the Prophets of God.

3. WE BELIEVE in the truth of the Bible, but we believe that it has been tampered with and must be reinterpreted so that mankind will not be snared by the falsehoods that have been added to it.

4. WE BELIEVE in Allah's Prophets and the Scriptures they brought to the people.

5. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of the dead—not in physical resurrection—but in mental resurrection. We believe that the so-called Negroes are most in need of mental resurrection, therefore, they will be resurrected first.

Furthermore, we believe we are the people of God's choice, as it has been written, that God would choose the rejected and the despised. We can find no other persons fitting this description in these last days more than the so-called Negroes in America. We believe in the resurrection of the righteous.

6. WE BELIEVE in the judgment, we believe this first judgment will take place as God revealed, in America.

7. WE BELIEVE this is the time in history for the separation of the so-called Negroes

and the so-called white Americans. We believe the black man should be freed in name as well as in fact. By this, we mean that he should be freed from the names imposed upon him by his former slave masters. Names which identified him as being the slave master's slave. We believe that if we are free indeed, we should go in our own people's name—the black peoples of the earth.

8. WE BELIEVE in justice for all, whether in God or not; we believe as others, that we are due equal justice as human beings. We believe in equality—as a nation—of equals. We do not believe that we are equal with our slave masters in the status of "freed slaves."

We recognize and respect American citizens as independent peoples and we respect their laws which govern this nation.

9. WE BELIEVE that the offer of integration is hypocritical and is made by those who are trying to deceive the black peoples into believing that their 400-year-old open enemies of freedom, justice and equality are, all of a sudden, their "friends." Furthermore, we believe that such deception is intended to prevent black people from realizing that the time in history has arrived for the separation from the

whites of this nation.

If the white people are truthful about their professed friendship toward the so-called Negro, they can prove it by dividing up America with their slaves.

We do not believe that America will ever be able to furnish enough jobs for her own millions of unemployed, in addition to jobs for the 20,000,000 black people as well.

10. WE BELIEVE that we who declared ourselves to be righteous Muslims, should not participate in wars which take the lives of humans. We do not believe this nation should force us to take part in such wars, for we have nothing to gain from it unless America agrees to give us the necessary territory wherein we may have something to fight for.

11. WE BELIEVE our women should be respected and protected as the women of other nationalities are respected and protected.

12. WE BELIEVE that Allah (God) appeared in the Person of Master W. Fard Muhammad, July, 1930; the long-awaited "Messiah" of the Christians and the "Mahdi" of the Muslims.

We believe further and lastly that Allah is God and besides HIM there is no God and He will bring about a universal government of peace wherein we all can live in peace together.