

of building the well-rounded student before graduation from secondary classes. With this in mind, the school has instituted a cultural-educational tours project.

"We found that most parents do not take their children to see cultural exhibits when they are very young," Sister Christine asserted. "This cultural experience is of vital importance in helping the students gain knowledge of the world and its peoples."

"IF THE EXHIBITS are historical in nature, we take the children so they can see some of the past that belongs to them. If the exhibits show something new in science, we want the students to see them so they can keep abreast with what is going on in the world today and tomorrow."

ers steel production and technology; its many uses in daily living; its place in modern design and art, and the part it plays in health, educational and recreational facilities.

MRS. JOHNSON said the children are briefed before all tours on what they can expect so they can formulate questions and have a better understanding of what they see.

Sister Christine, who has had experience as an occupational therapist, nurse and National Youth Administration supervisor of arts and crafts, said all teachers at the University of Islam are accredited and degreed. Faculty members have included teachers from Nigeria, Sierra Leone and Haiti as well as the United States.

The Woman In Islam

By Tynnetta Deonar

What do we mean when we say, "That's a Muslim girl or that's a Muslim woman." Do we imply the same emphasis and meaning upon addressing a woman of our race who is a Christian? Indeed, the reference is quite different. It is this difference that we must discuss, for our misunderstanding of truth in these days will cause us to lose everything, even to our very lives.

New ideas and new names may at first appear strange to us, yet, we must agree that that which is strange and new to an individual and to a group is the result of their lack of knowledge. For example, when we hear the sound of a foreign language, do we, who only speak and understand English condemn this new language as being false or incorrect usage because of our lack of knowledge of this foreign language?

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guage? And again, if a professor is teaching a subject which we have not mastered, do we condemn the teacher who knows more of the subject than we, ourselves.

IN BOTH OF these examples thus cited, we must further agree that the object of learning then is to acquire knowledge and understanding and not to contend with the possessor of wisdom upon an ignorant and unlearned basis. The result of this disciplined attitude and personal decorum will attain for us peace and happiness and the accomplishment of great and valuable intellectual wealth. In the study of mathematics we observe that each step of our advancement involves the learning of new terms to identify various forms of numerical groupings, so it is in understanding Islam, as taught to us by Allah's Messenger, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. We must learn the meaning of these new terms as taught by the Messenger in order to identify and recognize truth.

To say Muslim is strange to us but this word can never be

condemned as false, for the meaning of the word alone will stand forever, long, long after we are gone. To say Islam may also be strange to us, but the meaning of Islam will endure forevermore. For you cannot destroy the sun, the moon nor the stars. You cannot disturb the movement of the plants in their orbit around the sun.

This is part of the beauty, strength and meaning of Islam. To be a Muslim girl and a Muslim woman means to be advanced into the true knowledge of God (Allah), of the Planet Earth which is the Home of Islam (Part of the advanced teachings of Messenger Muhammad) and to study the science of the universe. To be a Muslim woman means to be identified with Allah (God) and the Nation of Righteousness.

Finally, I say to you that the Great Messenger of Allah warns us—do not take lightly the Religion of Islam; do not make mockery of Allah and His Apostle, for surely a day is coming when all will wish that they too, were Muslims.

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