What They Say About DAWN

Attracts All Segments

Congratulations on the birth of your new baby (DAWN). Your first issue had enough variety to attract all segments of the population. I was especially drawn by Sam Yette's piece on the Nixon budget. It's the kind of reporting the whole country needs more of . . . instead of rewrites of handouts that are self-serving junk.

One caution, if I may: As great as the need is for blacks to promote their own welfare, please don't let DAWN become an advocate of a group at the expense of "Right" and principle.

HANK SIEGEL
Washington, D.C.

Excellent In Every Way

DAWN Magazine is excellent in all of its areas: design, topography and appeal. Congratulations!

PAULINE A. YOUNG

Ideal And Informative

I have read and enjoyed the first issue of DAWN Magazine, which I found ideal and very informative. And I suspect that subsequent issues will be as great as the initial one.

THOMAS H. BOYD
Hagerstown, Md.

"A Great Job"

Congratulations on DAWN! It is a great job, up to your usual standards of excellent journalism.

CARL & ANNE BRADEN
Louisville, Ky.

DAWN Is 'Most Interesting'

Found your DAWN Magazine most interesting and I do wish you and your organization well with it.

DOROTHY ROSS
New York City

'Well-Written Material'

With my copy of the Atlanta Voice this week I received, for the first time, an issue of your excellent publication, DAWN Magazine. It was a pleasure to read well-written material informing people about current situations.

MYRA B. PEABODY
Atlanta, Ga.

DAWN Brings Memories

I have just seen the first issue of DAWN. Congratulations! It brought back fond memories to me of my days of planning and "publishing" a magazine in my spare time while in college.

T. J. SELLERS
New York City

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Congratulations on DAWN Magazine. Sincere good wishes for unlimited success.

D. PARKE GIBSON
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The Diplomatic Front

". . . 'A man who has 'climbed the mountains and slew the giants' of Liberia . . . A man who has given the peoples of Liberia a new birthright, new grass roots and a new identity . . . "

President William Richard Tolbert Jr., in keeping with the words of his inaugural address in 1971, has made great strides in the progressive development of a better economic and social state for the peoples of Liberia.

The 60-year-old farmer, who in 1971 promised "to eradicate the unwholesomeness" in Liberia's society and "to accent on youth," has somewhat succeeded in "bridging the gap" by identifying with his people and with the demands of his country's youth.

"I want you to know that I identify myself with you. If you are poor, I identify myself with your poverty, and together we should work to better our conditions," said the 19th and first Liberian president to visit the prisons and slums of that country.

New Chief of State Is Father of Eight

Often associated with Kwame Nkrumah, one of his fondest heroes, Tolbert, the "modern liberator" of Liberia, is striving to "replace the lethargy of his people with determination."

SUCCESSOR TO TUBMAN

The successor and vice president for 20 years of the late President William V. S. Tubman, President Tolbert has reflected an apparent determination not to follow in the footsteps of Tubman — but has said that he would forgive no one who slighted the president, officially proclaimed the "Father of Modern Liberia."

However, it has been said that to enter Liberia under the Tolbert regime is "to forget that Liberia is the oldest independent state in Africa but to think that it is perhaps one of the youngest."

President Tolbert

Born the son of an ex-American slave in Bensonville, Liberia, May 13, 1913, Tolbert received his bachelor's degree summa cum laude in 1934 from Liberia College, now the University of Liberia, and began his work in the government as a clerk, thus began his upward climb into the realm of the political world.

The father of eight and numerous adopted children, who stepped across the generation gaps, is a doctor of civil laws and of sacred literature; a perpetual pastor of the Zion Praise Baptist Church, Bentol City, Liberia; former president of the Order of the United Brethren of Friendship and Sisters of the Mysterious Ten, and the first black to be elected president of the Baptist World Alliance.

The noted President Tolbert of Liberia, earlier this month, visited the California State University commencement in San Francisco and met with President Nixon.

The Cover

Welcome "To The Good Life" of Hawaii. A Polynesian sister blends the beauty of South Pacific Soul to that of swaying palms and blue water.

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