HAWAII: America's Black Monarchy

KING KAMEHAMEHA I — Hawaii's first king

QUEEN LILIUCKALANI — Hawaii's last native ruler

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Who were the first Hawaiians? Where did they come from?

What part, if any, did they play in the continuing human drama?

Little attention has been focused on the indigenous population of what is now North America and even less consideration given the original settlers of territories now annexed to the continental United States.

The Hawaiian Islands (Kauai, Maui, Oahu, Niihau and Hawaii) — America's 50th state — represent a clear example of this suppression of history.

To discover the origin of the first men of Hawaii, we must look westward beyond those Pacific islands — stretch our minds across Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, Eurasia and Arabia and settle beneath the Mountains of the Moon around the Great Lakes of Inner Africa.

According to ancient legend and the findings of modern science, it was here or hereabout that man was born.

It would also appear, according to creditable opinion, that these early men of tropical Africa — fathers of the human race—were black.

Some of our earliest ancestors remained in Africa and there eventually gave birth to ancient Ethiopia, Egypt and several other civilizations. Others migrated far and wide.

Evidence of early black migrants is widespread throughout the Old World. In Europe, scientists have unearthed very ancient African types labeled Grimaldis and in the Near East have been discovered skulls of similar race that are called Natufians. India's most ancient soil has yielded the remains of Negritos, "Negroids" and Dravidians, while distinguished Western and Oriental scientists acknowledge the an-

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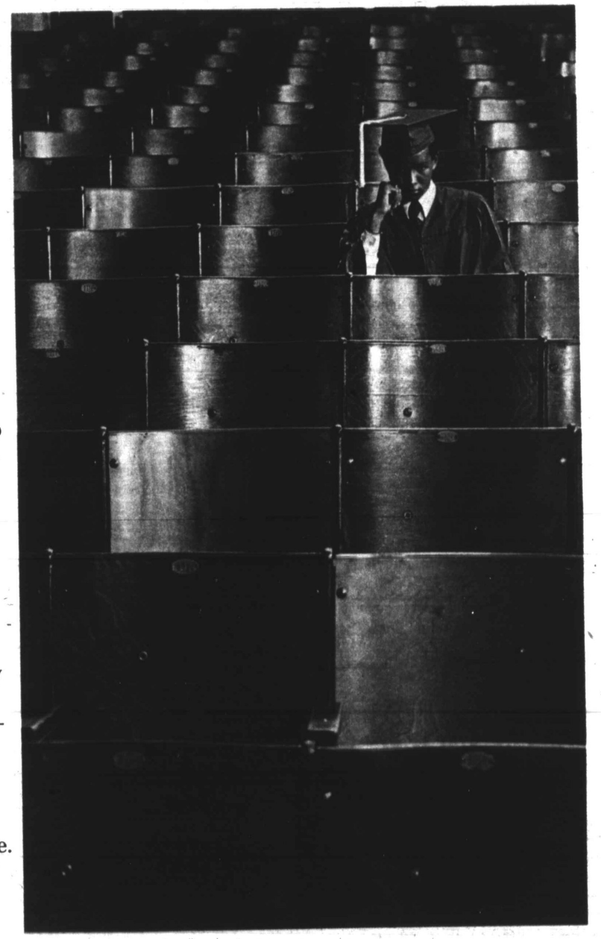

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