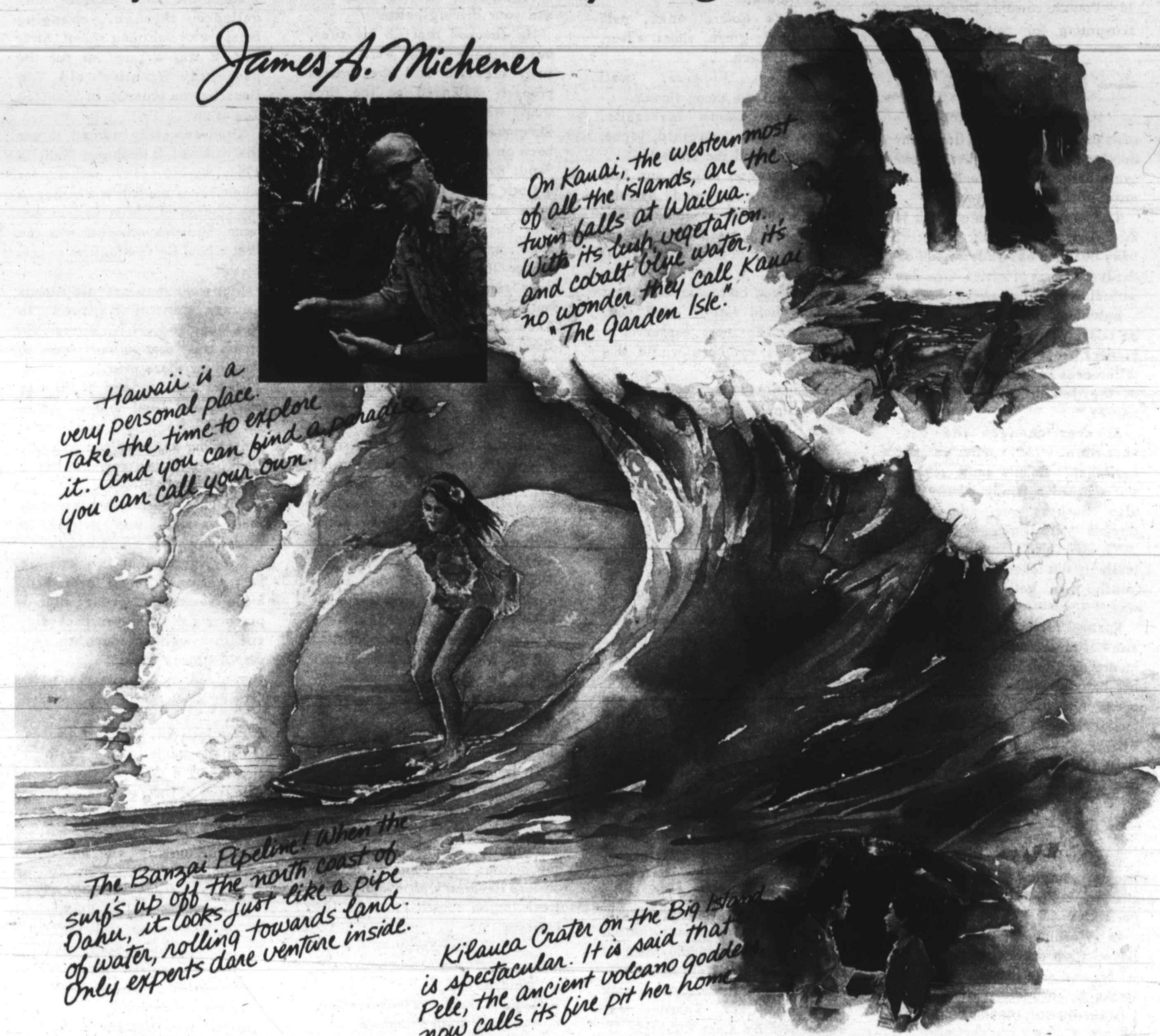
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Black Culture Quiz

What modern West African nation was named after an ancient kingdom?

A great empire named Ghana flourished in the Western Sudan for 1,000 years before its overthrow by Islamic invaders circa

Tradition has it that members of this ancient empire fled south prior to the invasion and settled in the West African forest area and along the coast.

These areas made up what later became known as the "Gold Coast" and eventually came under the rule of England. With independence, the ancient name was reinstated.

Which nation in the Americas was the second to achieve independence?

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The Republic of Haiti was declared on Jan. 1, 1804, and became the second independent nation in the hemisphere.

Blacks, in what is known today as Haiti, rebelled against French control shortly after the outbreak of the French Revolution (1789). In 1793, a French army was defeated by blacks led by

Toussaint L'Ouverture who was later captured by the French. Other leaders managed to overthrow the French.

Where was the first boycott held that was based on the principle: "Don't buy where you can't work?

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In Chicago, ill., in 1927, the National Urban League organized a boycott of stores which maintained discriminatory hiring practices. By 1929, similar boycotts were initiated in several other midwest cities.

From what state was the first Northern black congressman

In 1928, Illinois voters elected -Oscar De Priest, a black Republican, to Congress. De Priest's victory also made him the first black to sit in the House of Representatives in the 20th Century. In 1934, De Priest was defeated by Arthur Mitchell, the first black Democrat elected to serve in Congress.

What was the first novel known to be published by an American black author?

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William Wells Brown's melodramatic novel about miscegenation, Clotel: or the President's Daughter, was first published in London in 1853.

Tyrone Brown



Thomas "Fats" Waller

when he was a regular performer on the radio series

of "Paramount on Parade" and "Radio Roundup"



Thomas Wright Waller was born on May 21, 1904, in New York City's Harlem, where his the Pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church. He was a musical prodigy.



Walter was thrilled with the music played for silent films and would attend them regularly to watch the organist. When the organist at the Lincoln Theatre became ill. Tom was hired



After playing the difficult "Carolina



sought the family a piano. At the age of ten, he was the

As Johnson's protege, Waller met the great Harlem musicians like Lucy



at a piano playing contest and they began one of



great musical hits, including the famous



In 1927, at the age of 23, he wrote his first Broadway show, "Keep Shufflin", to be followe by four more hits, especially "Hot Chocolates"



His last film, "Stormy Weather" with Lena Horne, Bill Robinson and Cab Calloway, was made in 1943.



Waller made three European tours and was greeted by enthusiastic crowds. His greatest thrill was playing the organ at Notre Dame.



Walter's skill as a pianist and composer of over 500 songs, a performer on more than 700 recordings. left us many memorable classics in American music.