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Accomplishments!

Before any Black person in
America can intelligently talk
about "accomplishments," by,
of, and for Black people, that
person—be he Muslim or
not—must look at the Honorable
Elijah Muhammad, the
Messenger of Allah.

Those of us who are blessed
to be registered followers of
Messenger Muhammad are
double blessed, but those other
Black people who have not yet
recognized the wisdom in His
Divine leadership are blessed
just the same, because whether
we like to admit it or not, we are
following His great example,
program, or some parts of
it—that is if we are having any
success at all.

And while we, the Muslims
give credit first to Almighty God,
Allah, Who Came in the Person
of Master Fard Muhammad, to
Whom Praises are Due Forever,
for His Messenger Muhammad,
Who is personally responsible
for any success we have.

All the good in us, belongs to
Messenger Muhammad, for it is
He, Who sees it and first saw it
in us, and then it is He, who
teaches us how to bring that
good forth.

All the evil, bad, and
wickedness belongs to us, for
holding on to the weak way of
life we accepted from our
teachers during our captivity as
slaves and free slaves.

Today, as we have tried to
bring out in these pages, our
people have entered the dawn of
the new day for the Blackman
and woman. We forever give
praises and thanks to Almighty
God Allah, for such a wonderful
gift and accomplisher, among us,
as His own Messenger, the
Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

Charles 67X
Editor
Civic, government dignitaries

HONOR MUHAMMAD

Official proclamations bear witness to
Living Testimonial of Messenger of Allah

By James Hoard Smith

CHICAGO — The year 1974 will probably be recorded by historians as the year that the Honorable Elijah Muhammad was accorded some of the accolades commensurate to the struggle he has waged on behalf of the Black man in America.

Some former critics now taking part in the history-making events maintain that the appreciation of the astronomical rise of the Nation of Islam, by Blacks, under the leadership of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad will historically overshadow the sometime ideological and often selfish opposition to Islam and the rise of a separate Black nation in America.

"The Nation of Islam is a power that has come," wrote Booker Griffin,
a reporter with the Los Angeles Sentinel. "Its appeal is racial and not racist, and it has the strength of independence and pride that is lacking in so-called practical movements."

Booker wrote that out of "ordeal of stagnation, exploitation and despair the only viable alternative visible to thousands of Black Americans is the Nation of Islam, under the leadership of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad."

He intimated that the honoring of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad in Chicago last March 29 by no less than traditional white ideological opponents pointed to the appreciation and respect generated as a result of efforts to uplift the so-called American Negro.

On that particular day, 1,900 persons paid $50 per plate at a hospital fund-raising benefit and testimonial dinner on behalf of Messenger Muhammad. That day, Illinois Governor Dan Walker, and Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley respectively declared it "Honorable Elijah Muhammad Day" in Illinois and Chicago.

Messenger Muhammad’s West Coast Regional Representative (Los Angeles) Minister Abdul Karriem said, "according to history, no messenger from God has received love, honor and compassion from the people that he taught while he lived. This is a first in history. It is a first since the beginning of the sending of Messengers from God Himself."

In June, some 70,000 persons helped Messenger Muhammad prove that with a constructive purpose in mind, Blacks can come together in large numbers.

Another 35,000 persons attended a similar Black Family day rally in September, and the strength of the sentiment impelled New York’s Governor Malcolm Wilson to officially proclaim "Black Family Day."

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Insert photos, clockwise, show (1) The Rev. Jesse Jackson, Muhammad Ali and business consultant Eugene Dibble at podium during the March 29 benefit for the Muhammad Hospital Fund at the Conrad Hilton Hotel; (2) Chicago city council president Wilson Frost presents Min. Wallace Muhammad with proclamation designating Saviour’s Day a civic holiday; (3) Supreme Captain Raymond Sharrieff receives key to city of Gary, Ind. from Mayor Richard Hatcher.
Above, (left) Minister James Ibn Shabazz of Temple No. 25 in Newark, N.J., receives proclamation designating the Honorable Elijah Muhammad Day from Mayor Kenneth Gibson (right). Mayor Thomas Bradley of Los Angeles, extends warm handshake to Minister Abdul Karriem of Temple No. 27, after issuing proclamation honoring the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Muhammad Ali, center, the featured guest at a celebration which followed, looks on.

HONOR MUHAMMAD

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Similar rallies were held in Philadelphia, Baltimore and in countless other cities, towns and hamlets throughout America.

An equally significant gesture of appreciation and respect came in the form of invitations to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad to allow his ministers to address such diverse gatherings as the Black Law Chiefs annual convention, Black lawyers conventions, the National Business League's Conventions and the congregations of numerous radio and television programs.

Further appreciation was exemplified when thousands of viewers tuned in wherever Messenger Muhammad's 1974 Saviour's Day Address was aired.

Black policemen and other law enforcement officials acknowledged their respect for Messenger Muhammad especially for the rehabilitating effect that his teachings have had in reforming one-time criminals and so-called social undesirables.

In Indiana, Mayor Richard Hatcher proclaimed December 15—22 as the "Honorable Elijah Muhammad Week in Gary," which preceded by a few hours another event which resulted in December 13 being annually, "Honorable Elijah Muhammad Day" in Calumet Township and the State of Indiana.

In Chicago, at years end, the appreciation of Messenger Muhammad was marked by a Month-long occasion which saw well-known celebrities such as the Pointer Sisters, Muhammad Ali, Joe Williams, Carmen McRae and numerous other personalities acknowledge the constructive and inspiring work of Messenger Muhammad.

Internationally, the praise came from foreign heads of state such as Prime Minister Michael Manley of Jamaica and Ambassador Aldolphous Tolbert of Liberia.

In receiving representatives of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad recently in Jamaica, Prime Minister Manley said:

"... I want you to convey back to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad that we are proud of his work. That wherever people are oppressed in the world we unite behind the purpose that inspires his work.

And you let Him know that this prime minister of this proud country would be very honored to welcome Him as our guest at any time."

These words of respect were accorded prior to officially welcoming Muhammad Ali to the Island.

Ambassador Tolbert of Liberia issued a similar invitation but went a bit further when he stated:

"I have a great respect for and honor this man. I identify with this movement and with the brothers of this movement. I'm going home to Liberia to carry the old 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."

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Saviours Day 1974


The Honorable Elijah Muhammad’s stirring address produced an enthusiastic response from the thousands in attendance.

The speech was subsequently viewed by hundreds of thousands more, via color television broadcasts in several major cities, including Atlanta, San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, as well as in Chicago.

National Secretary Abass Rassoull presented a vivid outline of the Nation of Islam's progress, which reported progress in the areas of education, agriculture, transportation, and expansion of the imported fish program which promised, and delivered in 1974, millions of pounds of whiting fish to U.S. Black consumers.
Muslims purchase Executive jet for Muhammad
The Muslim followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad in 1974, after a successful 90-day fund-raising drive, purchased a Lockheed Jet Star executive jet for the use of Mr. Muhammad.

90-day fund raising drive yields $1.15 million purchase price for aircraft

By Doreen 2X

After utilizing land transportation in the form of a fleet of trucks transporting Muhammad Speaks newspaper, produce from the Muslim farms, and the imported Whiting H and G fish, the Nation of Islam has taken an expanded step in travel to the air with the purchase of a $1 million Lockheed Jet Star Executive jet aircraft for use by the most Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

Piloted by Sultan Muhammad, one of Messenger Muhammad's grandsons, it is the most reliable executive jet manufactured. It has four Pratt — Whitney engines for maximum safety and cruises at speeds up to 570 miles per hour. The fully pressurized and air-conditioned jet will carry 10 passengers and a three-man crew in all the speed and comfort of the most modern 707 and 727 commercial jet airliners.

The Muslim jet, which has a full-sized galley for comfort, and double and triple back-up avionics systems for safety, is equipped with air-to-ground telephone and is the same aircraft used in the United States Presidential jet fleet and by many other top leaders in finance, commerce, government and letters.

When Messenger Muhammad mentioned he needed and was going to purchase a plane for his personal use, his followers would not hear of it and promptly initiated a 90-day fund-raising drive to acquire the jet. The drive was held among all of the Temples throughout the country and was highlighted by a National Fish Salesman contest.

The response to purchase the jet was so great that the Muslims actually contributed more than the cost of the jet, with the additional money being used for jet fuel.

Temple No. 2 in Chicago lead the way in donations with Temple No. 27 in Los Angeles, Calif., in second place and Temple No. 7 in New York in third place.

Received with great enthusiasm and a healthy competitive spirit by the men in Islam, each Temple strove to produce the top salesman during the National Fish Salesman contest.

The grand prize, awarded to Bro. Barry 7X from Temple No. 7, was a one-week expense-paid trip to Peru (the exporters of the fish) on the Nation's Jet and the return on a ship carrying Whiting H and G. Bro. Barry sold 23.045 pounds of fish during the 90-day plane drive.
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Messenger's grandson distinguished as

Flight Captain

By Larry 14X

Sultan Muhammad's distinction as the youngest flight-Captain in the country, while it is a lofty achievement, represents only a consequential gain of his life — long obsession with flying. But by far the most cherished accomplishment of the 24-year-old grandson of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is his rank as Personal Pilot to the Messenger of Allah.

"My grandfather always encouraged me to fly," Sultan says, adding that a major incentive in his quest for a pilot's license was the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's promise that the aspiring aviator could someday become his personal pilot.

Sultan first became interested in flying when he was 12-years-old, and at 16 he enrolled in the flying school of Black aviator Emmett Stoval at Chicago's Midway Airport.

An avid student, Sultan bicycled 30 miles daily to and from his classes at Midway. "I tried to fly with an instructor two hours a day, every day," he recalls, and in less than two months, Sultan made his first solo flight. A few months later, he made his first actual distance flight, the 50-mile stretch from Midway to Kankakee Illinois.

Sultan earned a private license six months later, and in 1970 received his commercial license. In 1971 he won a multi-rated classification, including an instrument rating, which authorizes flight through clouds without visual references. He completed Lear Jet training in 1972.

Sultan's single-minded fascination with flying, though applauded by his parents, aroused their concern that he would disregard a college education. The young pilot's "compromise" was a degree in Aeronautical Engineering from the prestigious Aerospace Institute.

For Sultan—who harbored a love of mathematics during childhood—his studies in computer science, meteorology, chemistry, advanced mathematics, and his proficiency in the technical aspects of flying, complemented the glamour of airborne transportation.

But his easy grasp of the rudiments of flying, and his accumulated skill were severely tested on a return flight from Dallas recently, when approaching Arkansas, the young pilot

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Muslim pressmen innovate print industry

By Larry 14X
CHICAGO — Many who are familiar with the discrimination pervading the printing industry consider it a minor miracle every time Muhammad Speaks newspaper's giant Goss Urbanite press roars and spins out its 900,000 copy weekly edition.

When the Goss Urbanite was erected in 1968 for use in the Muhammad Speaks plant, it was the most advanced piece of printing equipment available, but no Black man was qualified as web-offset pressman.

Traditional discrimination of the major print unions had barred entrance of any Blacks into apprenticeships in web-offset printing, and the Goss went up amid predictions of failure from veteran pressmen.

Knowledgeable advisers estimated that it would require approximately six years before the M.S. crew — who had only rudimentary knowledge of printing from work on a small 215 model offset, some technical schooling, and tips from the Goss erectors — would be sufficiently trained to produce a quality newspaper.

But remarkably enough, in 1969 the printing of 400,000 top-quality papers for then Muhammad Speaks weekly circulation was close to reflex action for the fledgling all-Black team of lithographers.

Muhammad Speaks Production Manager Eugene Majied, a 20—year veteran newspaperman, comments in retrospect that given the tremendous staff problems of raw, unskilled apprentices then engaged in what veteran pressmen had described a "premature" endeavor, he can only credit the leadership and inspiration of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad for the success of the project.

The incredible breakthrough in modern, high-volume production made Muhammad Speaks the champion of Black printers everywhere.

Sidney X trainer and foreman of the most proficient work shift of Muhammad Speaks lithographers, is a 2—year pressman with no prior experience. His job of managing three and four color printing operations requires 15 years experience and tutelage in usual apprenticeship programs.

But Muhammad Speaks's spectacular impressions on the Black printing scene soon transferred to the Continued on page 14

Muslim Pressmen

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entire northwestern printing region.

At the Northwestern Association of Printers and Lithographers conferences where the latest equipment and lithographic techniques are displayed, Muhammad Speaks pressmen are conspicuously the only Black attendants.

Relating the first Black attendants’ enthusiasm for knowledge at the Printers and Lithographers conference, George 24X, a Muhammad Speaks shop foreman among the conferees said “right away we wanted to know everything. “It helped us a lot the first year” he continued, “but after that second year, we were beyond the stage of most of them.”

A steadily increasing circulation had driven the M.S. pressmen into areas alien to the comparatively smaller pressruns of other conferences.

Problems of equipment reaction to extended 200,000 and 300,000 pressruns experienced by the M.S. staff stumped participants in the conference’s problem seminars and pressmanship clinics.

Forced by their own incredible achievements to independently discover solutions to extraordinary printing problems, the Black printers were, by default, elevated to the status of innovators in a highly technical, bigoted printing industry.

The Black pressmen’s revolutionary techniques in handling unusual problems of high-volume pressruns aided equipment manufacturers as well as fellow pressmen.

Production Manager Majied related how one manufacturer prescribed a limit of 200,000 impressions for a plate that he produced. "Muhammad Speaks got 400,000 or near an entire pressrun, which at that time was 500,000.

The M.S. print shop immediately became the focus of study for manufacturers to verify this unheard—of achievement. Afterwards, the plate-maker boosted the price of his product. "We learned from that" commented George 24X.

Alongside Muhammad Speaks’s progressive impact on the printing industry as a whole, it is steadily revolutionizing its own techniques and processes in anticipation of a one million copy weekly pressrun, a longtime goal of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.
MUHAMMAD FEEDS THE MULTITUDE

Load of whiting H and G fish deposited on dock at the Los Angeles Harbor testify to millions of pounds of the nutritious seafood imported to North America for consumption by Blacks.
By Larry 14X

CHICAGO — When the Rio de Los Sauces arrived at the Los Angeles Harbor last fall — the 18th in a succession of vessels docking at harbors across the country, loaded with Whiting H and G fish — it dramatically signed the existence of the Nation of Islam's Imported Fish program.

Newscasters and the country's major periodicals began calling the program the greatest Black self-help effort in the country, but for millions of Blacks, the Whiting H and G fish had long represented the last and only hope during this era of economic disaster and rumored famine.

The fish's low cost of 65 cents per pound contrasted with the $1.20 to $2 per pound for comparable seafoods; its wholesomeness and versatility and good taste have made it a staple item in Black homes across the country.

The whiting is virtually boneless, which figures along with low price as another big element in household economics, and is prepared in fillets, patties, casseroles, nourishing soups, gumbos, chowders and salads.

A top executive of the Muslim imported fish program who revealed that fish sausage is replacing the meat sausage as a breakfast staple, also said that records show that "customers who used to eat fish once a week are including it in their daily diet."

Parts of the fish usually discarded, such as bones, can be ground into plant food, and the skins can be battered and baked into a tasty chip.

But the primary element of the program that captured headlines and news commentaries was its use as a commodity providing development capital for disadvantaged communities, and jobs to combat the traumatic spiral of unemployment among Blacks.
Stevedore above works feverishly emptying trawler of wholesome, economical seafood that represents a welcome relief for many Blacks during traumatic U.S. economic ills.

"The Muslim fish program has provided more than 500 full—time jobs for Blacks in New York city alone," said Minister Louis Farrakhan of Temple No. 7, and National Representative of the Nation of Islam. He said the program, which imports Whiting H and G at a volume of more than three million pounds monthly, was equally as successful in employing Blacks in Philadelphia, San Francisco, Washington, D.C., Los Angeles and other large cities throughout the country, as well as Nation headquarters in Chicago.

Whiting H and G fish was chosen as an import commodity by the Nation of Islam, because it contains no parasites, has negative mercury content and is caught in non—polluted waters, and is similar in taste and texture to seafoods considered delicacies in Black neighborhoods across the country.

The initial search for a nutritional seafood — following a 1972 announcement by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad that the Muslims would soon offer fish products for consumption by America's Black population — sent Muslim representatives to markets throughout the Far East and the Latin American continent.

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Taste is another big element that boosted the popularity of whiting fish to the position of staple food in Black homes nationwide. Above, the baked ad filleted dish of whiting is served as a popular entree that has delighted thousands of diners at the Salaam Restaurant's Crescent Room in Chicago.
NATION TO NATION:

Muslims interview Peruvian Ambassador

Peruvian Ambassador to the United States, Ambassador Fernando Berckemeyer entertains Muslim delegation (above). Sec. Moses X., Temple No. 6 Min. Louis Omar, Temple No. 6 Ambassador Berckemeyer Muhammad Speaks Editor Charles 67X Min. Lonnie Shabazz, Temple No. 4: present historic newspaper cover to Peruvian people.

Charles 67X, M.S. Editor: Min. Lonnie Shabazz, Temple No. 4; and Peruvian Embassy Commercial Attaché for Fisheries, Juan F. Fassiouli, admire whiting fish menu at Temple No. 4's Shabazz Restaurant.

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Some 70,000 Blacks gathered in New York last June at Black Family Day Bazaar sponsored by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. The crowd above is proof of His teaching that Blacks can come together in large numbers for a constructive purpose.

By Alonzo 4X

CHICAGO — After years of slander and often outright abuse, the population of this beleaguered civilization is finally beginning to give credit to a Messenger of God in His own time.

From Morristown, N.J. and Springfield, Mass. to Philadelphia and Los Angeles, citizens and their government are giving official recognition to the accomplishment of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad in ever increasing numbers.

The name Muhammad — a name that was once thought somehow alien and threatening — is being used with increasing frequency as a synonym of Black progress.

In New York City in particular, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad’s name has been indelibly etched into the hearts and minds of the huge city’s populace.

In 1974, the concept of Black Family Day was one as a bazaar theme and the overwhelming success it enjoyed spurred the adoption of the theme for Muslim bazaars held throughout the country.

The first Black Family Day Bazaar, held on May 27, 1974 — the same day Memorial Day was celebrated — drew an estimated crowd of 70,000.

According to Joe Walker, M.S., New York bureau chief, the hugely successful bazaar featured a total of 515 display booths and displays by 14 foreign governments.

Shoppers were able to purchase everything from an exotic array of herbs, spices, incense and jewelry, to the more conventional items like phonographs, records, tapes, books, clothing, electrical appliances, etc.

Min. Farrakhan addressed the massive crowd and spoke about the remarkable longevity of the Nation of Islam in the face of the destruction of so many other Black-oriented organizations.

"There is a Black man in America America that time has not destroyed," the articulate minister noted. "There is a Black man in America who was here in the '30s, here in the '40s, here in the '50s, in the '60s — and now in the '70s. Elijah Muhammad is still on the scene and going strong," Min. Farrakhan said.

"Every Black person in America should have had the opportunity to be here today," declared Barbara Morgan of Manhattan.

The event and the tremendously favorable reaction to it reverberated throughout the entire New York Metropolitan area and on a Sept. 15 sequel — Black Family Day, Part II — then New York state Governor, Malcolm Wilson proclaimed "Black Family Day" in the state.

This second event, because it was without the added consumer interest and activity of a bazaar, and because it was held on the same day as the Black Solidarity Day parade, attracted a crowd of 35,000.

Min. Farrakhan again delivered the major address. He directed his remarks to the crucial problems confronting the very survival of the Black family.

"We live at the most crucial time in the history of this world," he said. "Messenger Elijah Muhammad is teaching us that the work we now know — the world of the white people, the western world — is now in the throes of death."

In the midst of the fall of this civilization, the Black family must have Divinely inspired guidelines to follow in order to escape being crushed by the collapse of the West, the knowledgeable minister counselled.

"The Honorable Elijah Muhammad is the only man who can provide us with a safety zone," he added.

A wide gathering of local and national Black politicians were on hand for the rally as were United Nations diplomats and Black movie and television actors.

"I came to respect and honor Messenger Muhammad and His great work for Black people in America," said film star and former football great Jim Brown.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE MUSLIMS
Muhammad Ali vindicated

By Larry 14X

CHICAGO—For Muhammad Ali, 1974 was the year of vindication. After seven years, the controversial athlete returned to recapture the coveted heavyweight crown that was seized by fight authorities after his refusal to enter military service.

This well-deserved triumph followed years of official exile from the boxing ring, spurred by the negative, cold-shouldered responses of boxing officials throughout the country after the initial 1967 dispossession of the heavyweight jewels. In Chicago, Ali’s adopted home-town, he was even refused a boxing license.

But even throughout defeat, Muhammad Ali, the great athlete, poet, diplomat, personality extraordinaire, always re-emphasized his belief in Allah and the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, which was the initial source of conflict with his military draft board. He steadfastly maintained he was unjustly stripped of the heavyweight title, and that he was "the people’s champion."

He came back with victories over Joe Frazier and Ken Norton, and in the 1974 multi-million dollar title bout in Kinshasa, Zaire, Ali floored then heavyweight champion George Foreman, who was billed as the odds-makers’ favorite and the most devastating fighter in the history of sport.

Then the honor and accolades for Muhammad Ali came rushing in.

"Muhammad Ali is an idol of the people. To all those who understand and give full value to justice, Muhammad Ali is an idol."

That was the declaration of Jamaican Minister of State Dudley Thompson, describing the immense popularity of the heavyweight champion, who headed a delegation from the Nation of Islam that was graciously feted by the Jamaican government.

Muhammad Ali, the symbol of courage in adversity, who was the initial source of the generous Jamaican invitation, also received top-level state invitations from Libya, Egypt, Iran, Kuwait and numerous African states, and was honored by parades and official proclamations at Chicago, New York, Washington, Philadelphia, as well as his own hometown, Louisville, Kentucky.

"Muhammad Ali Day" was proclaimed in New York, Louisville and Chicago; and in Washington, the nation’s capital, the champ was granted a red carpet tour through the White House, complete with a reception by political bigwigs topped by President Ford.

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Muhammad Ali points to his leader, The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, at March 1974 fund raising dinner (left photo). Holding box of Muslim imported fish, Ali steps from personal jet of Mr. Muhammad on his return to U.S. from Zaire triumph.
By Beverly Maurad

To chew well, we need good teeth. Chewing, breaks food up into small pieces. As we are chewing, it is mixed with the saliva in our mouth. This makes the food moist (wet) and it is easier to swallow and digest. To chew well, we need good teeth.

Most of your first teeth or “baby teeth” have to come out. You should now be getting your second set of teeth or your permanent teeth. When they are all in (‘this takes many years’) you will have thirty-two (32) teeth. You will have sixteen (16) in each jaw.

It is very important and necessary that you keep your teeth in good condition. To do this, you should do the following things:

1. Eat only good food, especially mild, beans and whole wheat bread.
2. Brush your teeth regularly especially after eating.
3. Have regular checkups at your dentist.

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- MOLARS flat ‘grinding’

Each tooth has a soft center or pulp; a hard layer called dentine; a very hard outer covering or outside called enamel; and an outer layer to the root, called cement.
Since its opening in the summer of 1973, more than 2,000 South Side residents have toured the Nation of Islam Sales and Office building.

Civic dignitaries and foreign representatives—along with many of Chicago’s civic, vocational and religious groups—have visited the modern, three-story structure at an average rate of 114 persons per week.

The Ada Park Senior Citizens group, Old Town Boys Club, The Woodlawn Organizations frequenting the center for a refreshing tour and captivating presentation of the Nation of Islam’s achievements.

The Nation of Islam Sales and Office building was designed by prominent Black architect Leroy Hilliard, and was built by the Ernest Bush construction company, one of the city’s largest Black builders.

At a cost of $2.1 million, it was the largest construction contract captured by any Black firm during 1973.

The building houses the Nation of Islam Transportation; Marketing and Import Department office space; five medical suites, including treatment and examination rooms; a retail import stor; an information center/display area that seats 150 and provides slides, movies and lectures for guests.
JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT

By Charles 67X
and
Alonzo 4X

KINGSTON, Jamaica — For the first time in its struggling history, an official delegation from the Nation of Islam visiting a foreign country was accorded all the dignity accompanying a diplomatic ceremony.

The administration of Jamaican Prime Minister Michael Manley was the first sovereign government to permit Mr. Muhammad’s teachings from the speaker’s stand shared by the chief of state.

The Muslim entourage, which included Heavyweight Champion Muhammad Ali, was headed by Min. Jam Muhammad, brother of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, and featured Min. Louis Farrakhan, National Representative of the Nation of Islam as the official spokesman.

More than 200,000 Jamaicans lined the streets of Kingston as a 20 car motorcade twisted through the capital city to an official welcoming ceremony at the government’s National Arena.

During the ceremony, Prime Minister Manley lavishly praised the works of Mr. Muhammad.

“The Honorable Elijah Muhammad leads one of the most remarkable movements in the world,” he declared. “We are proud of his work. And you let him know that this prime minister of this proud country would be very honored to welcome him as our guest at any time.”

“I won’t do the shuffle! It’s time to be serious. To shuffle now would be to dignify the whiteman’s tradition of clowning.”

Min. Louis Farrakhan, National Representative of the Nation of Islam, and the official spokesman for the Muslim delegation, praised the Jamaican leader, telling the crowd, “You have a Prime Minister that stands for freedom, justice and equality.”

World Heavyweight Champion Muhammad Ali, who enjoys immense popularity among the Jamaican people, and who was the initial source of the generous invitation, was also praised by the prime minister as an admirable model for the youth of Jamaica.

“You have put you in everybody’s favor,” the prime minister said, “but it was your conscience that has written you into immortality in the history of human affairs.”

Muhammad Ali, whose usual ringside joviality was replaced by the sober demeanor of a state representative, told the audience of his dedication to the program of Mr. Muhammad.

Although many on the speaker’s stand began clearing a space for Ali to...
perform his famous shuffle, he told the crowd: "It's time to be serious!"

He told the enthusiastic gathering: "We're talking about Black people being free, respecting their brothers, respecting their women and ruling themselves. To shuffle now would be dignifying the white man's tradition of clowning."

The Muslim delegation was later feted at a state banquet at Jamaica House, the prime minister's residence, and also was received by the opposition Jamaican Labor Party.

An official welcome was extended by the Jamaican Governor General, Florizel Glasspole, representative of the Queen of England, and Councilor Ralph Brown, mayor of Kingston.

The logistics of the state level visit, which was completely at Jamaican expense, was executed by the National Sports Limited officials William Isaacs, chairman, and Raymond Sharpe, Public Relations Director.

"The Honorable Elijah Muhammad leads one of the most remarkable movements in the world. We are proud of his work. And you let him know that this prime minister of this proud country would be very honored to welcome him as our guest at any time."

Jamaican Prime Minister
Michael Manley

The Jamaican crowd, which was primarily unfamiliar with the Honorable Elijah Muhammad's teachings, was electrified by the Muslim spokesmen.

"This Elijah Muhammad must be a great man to produce these kinds of men," said one Jamaican, Vera Moore.

"I've been seriously thinking about being a Muslim," said Errol Weeks, another Jamaican, "and after this, the thought is much stronger."

The Muslim visitors included Mr. Muhammad's brother—who headed the entourage—Min. Jam Muhammad, and his wife Sis. Willette. Muhammad Ali was accompanied by his wife, Sis. Belinda, his son, Muhammad Ali Jr., his daughter Maryam, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Lt. Raymond X and his wife Sis. Inez X of Muhammad's Temple No. 2.

Min. Farrakhan was accompanied by his wife, Sis. Betsy, and daughter, Sis. Donna. Captain Yusuf Shah of Muhammad's Temple No. 7; Lt. Abraham Pasha, First Lieutenant of the Nation of Islam; Lt. Karriem Bey, Director of Transportation for the Nation of Islam; Charles 67X, Muhammad Speaks Editor; Willie Muhammad, Muslim Director of Ocean Freight; Wali Muhammad, Mr. Muhammad's grand-son and radio host of "The Communicator" and Min. Larry 4X of Muhammad Temple No. 7—who acted as chief of protocol, coordinating the busy itinerary of the delegation—were also in attendance.
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Those present at the meeting expressed great enthusiasm about participating in such a historic event and were optimistic that the meeting would bear great fruit.

"One immediate benefit was meeting and developing links of communication with so many other brothers and sisters with professional skills who could be important contacts for various things in the future," said Dr. Luther X (Weems), chairman of the Psychology Department at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga.

Jon X (Brim), of Temple No. 13, Springfield, Mass. and holder of a masters degree in education, viewed the meeting as "the first of many meetings that will serve to channel our collective talent into one, Islamic direction."

Sis. Mary Eloise X, of Temple No. 2, echoed Bro. Jon's sentiments: "It's very necessary for the teachers in the various universities of Islam around the country to be on the same wavelength, so that when the college division is formed, the students will have more uniformed academic preparation."

"We must get it out of our minds that we are experts because we hold various degrees from prestigious universities, because there is only one expert and that's the Honorable Elijah Muhammad," declared Dr. Octavius X (Rowe), president of the Roxbury (Mass.) Medical Training Institute.

The seminar sessions were chaired by Director Clark X. of New York City's University of Islam No. 7, Director of New York's school for seven years, Bro. Clark holds a masters degree in biology and has done extensive work in cancer research. "We're just trying to catch up to something Messenger Muhammad put out in the first part of his mission. We're not trying to add on to what Messenger Muhammad teaches - we can't - but we're attempting to see at another level of understanding," Bro. Clark explained.

"This meeting..." he continued, "is the first attempt to formalize a curriculum out of the basic concepts given to us by Messenger Muhammad."

"We will turn over our findings and conclusions to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and wait for His word on what our next step will be," Bro. Muhammad explained.
Flight Captain

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was abruptly engulfed in a raging thunderstorm. Instantly the dense pattern of storm—clouds blotted his vision. Hard, battering rains and assaulting wind currents delivered the light, twin-engine craft to the mercy of the elements.

Sultan skillfully maneuvered the plane above the dark range of clouds, beyond the ravaging elements of the storm as blinding flashes of lightening and the rumbling din of thunder recalled the bad weather below.

His big job, then, was recharting his course to the Arkansas airfield that was lost in the storm; the proper wind corrections—the delicate settings on the instrument panels...

"Flying through bad weather is a challenge," Sultan admitted, recalling the experience. "I was a little nervous at first, but I made sure everything was right and exact so I wouldn't get lost."

Confident of his calculations, and that the airfield lay somewhere in the vicinity, Sultan sped the aircraft toward his charted destination.

Suddenly he spotted a break in the clouds—he dived; the airfield was directly below.

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CHICAGO — More than 150 college-trained Muslim followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad met in Chicago late last year to outline a national college program for the Nation of Islam.

In addition to that number, in actual attendance, the meeting — officially called the Planning Meeting and Seminar Workshop — attracted pledges of assistance and support from hundreds more who did not attend.

The coordinator of the historic gathering, Arthur Majied Muhammad, the General Business Manager of the Nation of Islam, said, "We're only beginning to do what the Messenger has been urging us to do for many years."

"The Honorable Elijah Muhammad has taught us that the implementation of the long range administrative and technological program which He has planned for us will require the highest calibre of trained administrators, scientists, technicians and other laborers of all levels and descriptions which we are capable of producing," Bro. Muhammad noted.

According to him, the objective of the three day meeting was to make the initial steps to "outline a National College program which embodies short and long range administrative, instructional and academic prerequisites for aiding the implementation of the stated National goals of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad..."

He said the seminar was a total success in what it attempted to do.

Majied Muhammad, a former author and holder of a masters degree in mathematics, said it is essential for the Nation of Islam to educate our own "national resources" for "immediate projects which the Nation of Islam is presently engaged in: e.g., Temple administration, international trade and commerce, national and international methods of modern transportation and communication, and national and local businesses such as Muhammad Speaks newspaper, the national fish program, farms, supermarkets, restaurants, etc."

Sis. Mary holder of a masters of social work, degree said the unprecedented meeting was a "very positive step in the right direction."

Although most participants were college graduates, including many with post-graduate degrees, they readily acknowledged the limits of their academic training as it compared to the knowledge given them by Messenger Muhammad.

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