

# Book Review

## Black Slave Gains Freedom, Aids Those Still Enslaved

**EQUIANO'S TRAVELS:** The interesting narrative of the life of Olaudah Equiano or Gustavus Vassa the African, abridged and edited by Paul Edwards. New York: Praeger, \$4.95.

By Louise P. Dumetz  
(Negro Press International)

This work makes a fascinating and powerful reading experience. It is the story of a Nigerian born about the year 1845, captured by slave raiders and sold into bondage. It describes life as being a torment from which death might seem a relief,

tracing Equiano's experience from owner to owner until he finally was allowed to purchase his freedom.

EQUIANO earned his own freedom, but he never forgot his origin and never allowed his own good fortune to blot out the obligation he owed to his people.

He became active in a project to settle freed slaves in the African colony of Sierra Leone. He campaigned against slave trade and earned the animosity of many by his strenuous efforts in behalf of Negro rights.

## Indecency in Female Dress Still Not Tolerated in Islam

**CAIRO** — Brazen display of the female body, as is becoming the fad among the amoral women of the declining Western world, besides being outright vulgar and distasteful remains against the basic tenets of Islam.

**THIS WAS** recently re-emphasized by the head of the Al Azhar University in Cairo, Sheik Hassan Maamoun, said that along with the practices of abortion and gambling, indecent exposure of the female form is against Islamic law.

Asked about current Western fashions, the Sheik said that the Muslim religion forbade women from revealing any part of the body unless by necessity. This meant miniskirts, he said, and much other of the Western

women's apparel which is marking that part of the world's dive into degradation and near insanity.

The Honorable Elijah Muhammad, the Divinely missioned leader of thousands of aware black men in America, has often pointed out the marked contrast between the calm beauty of the properly dressed women of the Nation of Islam and the pretentious appearance of the frustrated females of the Negro race.

**HE HAS** urged all black women to come into the Nation where they too will find serenity among their own and freedom from frustrating the attempts to get on board the sinking ship of the white Western world.



**SUMPTUOUS BANQUET** highlighted festivities at Elijah Muhammad's University of Islam in Chicago during luncheon for 1967 graduating class. Leading young women who

are members of the graduating class through the serving line is Sister Agnita X, principal of the house of learning.



**DEEPLY INVOLVED** in song she is singing for graduating class of Elijah Muhammad's University of Islam, popular songstress Liz Lands thrills audience in educational institution's auditorium. Occasion was luncheon for 1967 graduating class.

## Send Food Aid To Indonesian Island, Lombok

**NEW YORK** — More than six thousand tons of rice and wheat will be sent to help 100,000 persons on the famine-stricken Indonesian island of Lombok, east of Bali, the Food and Agriculture Organization has announced.

**A JOINT** endeavor of the United Nations and the FAO, the World Food Program, will ship 900 tons of rice from Thailand to arrive in March, and 5,020 tons of wheat from the United States and Canada soon afterwards.

The emergency food aid will cost \$816,000, it was revealed.

## Somalians Visit Sudan

Mogadishu, Somali Republic (AAPS)—Somalia's Commander-in-Chief, General Muhammad Ziyad, and seven senior officers of the Somali Armed Forces have arrived here for a week's visit to Sudanese army installations. They were invited here by the Sudanese commander, Gen. Khawad Mohammed.

**THE SOMALI** visitors will also hold talks with high government officials in Khartoum on the possibility of obtaining additional seats for Somali cadets at the Sudan Military Staff College.

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