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THE DAWN OF TOMORROW

Dear Editor—

Sir: With your benevolence I beg you most humbly to publish my name and address as a Pen-Pal in your news-paper.

I am an African boy, station-
ed in Lagos, the capital
and Federation of Nigeria. I
am 11 years of age. I am
4 feet 5 inches tall. I am seek-
ing for pen-pals in Canada,
with both girls and boys with
whom I can exchange views
of Canada with views of
Africa.

Articles from Canada I
would like are as follows,
shirts, T-shirts, belts, came-
ras, toys hats and chewing
gums etc.

Articles from Nigeria are:
Slippers, African knives, Afri-
can combs, African bags, and
ebony - carvings, also skins
of animals, etc.

God bless the editor and
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U.S. Irks Africans According To Study

WASHINGTON — Declara-
tions by the United States in
support of self-government
for African peoples nettle the
Africans because of limita-
tions to those who are ready
for it, according to a report
prepared for the Senate For-
eign Relations Committee.

The study, "United States
Foreign Policy—Africa," crit-
icizes American officials who
write prescriptions for self-
government but insist that
African leaders must be able
to withstand "extremist" pres-
sure and forsake "short term"
domestic political rewards.

Also criticized were state-
ments that African leaders
must show preference for
democracy as a political form,
expand the area of their com-
petence as legislators, be
friendly to the colonial pow-
ers, recognizing the colonial
contributions and showing a
willingness to continue or ex-
pand ties with these powers.

As for the African peoples,
the report continues, a contin-
uing theme states American
preference for steady evolu-
tionary political progress as
opposed to sudden, racial
change.

The United States feels

that there should be a suffi-
cient number of trained Afri-
can civil servants, an increas-
ing literacy rate and school
enrolment, adequate medical
facilities, that minority rights
of persons and property be
respected and that Africans
not discriminate against non-
Africans living in their coun-
try.

"Our recognition of the Su-
dan and of Ghana was immedi-
ate," said the report, "and
we have recently raised the
consulate in Yaounde, French
Cameroons, in anticipation of
the change in status of that
country from trust territory
to an independent state.

"But the establishment of
Guinea found us without even
a consulate agent in the capi-
tal. Moreover, we required
over a month to recognize a
government that had com into
being in accordance with pro-
cedures laid down by our
French ally."

The report points out that
increasing African control in
Africa is being faced by Euro-
pean governing powers and
Africans alike. The free grant
of self-government to the Su-
dan, Ghana and Guinea, and
next year to Nigeria, the Cam-
eroons, Togo, and Somalia, is

one indication of this.

"In the multiracial states,
devices such as the qualitative
franchise and the communal
roll, or concepts such as part-
nership and even apartheid,
when viewed realistically,
turn out to be means to stop
the urgency of African aspira-
tions.

"A report in a South Afri-
can newspaper, wherein a
European was quoted as stat-
ed that 'come what may, after
the year, 2000, All Africa, in-
cluding South Africa, would
be ruled by non-whites,' and
that 'freedom was creeping
down from north to south of
the continent.'"

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Report Iowa Farm Women Believe Smoke-Cancer Link

DES MOINES, Iowa — Med-
ical claims linking lung can-
cer with cigarette smoking
have convinced one-third of
the farm women in Iowa, ac-
cording to a survey released
recently.

The Wallace Farmer poll
queried a representative sam-
ple of Iowa farm women.

Thirty-five per cent believ-
ed there was no question that
smoking increased the likely-
hood that a person would de-
velop cancer.

Only four per cent thought
the cancer claims were "all
propaganda," the survey said.

Older women were more in-
clined to give credence to the
medical claims.

"It's a lot of bunk. I don't
believe a word of it," said one
Kossuth county farm women.

Forty per cent of the Iowa
farm women thought there
might be some cancer risk
to smoking and another 21
per cent had "No opinion."

Feeling Good

Sometime when you're feel-
ing important,

Sometime when you're ego's
in bloom

Sometime when you take it
for granted

You're the best qualified in
the room,

Sometime, when you feel that
your going

Would leave an unfillable
hole,

Just follow this simple in-
struction

And see how it humbles your
soul:

Take a bucket and fill it with
water,

Put your hand in it up to the
wrist;

Pull it out; and the hole that's
remaining

Is a measure of how you'll be
missed.

You may splash all you please
when you enter,

You can stir up the water
galore ...

But stop, and you'll find in
a minute

That it looks quite the same
as before.

The moral of this quaint ex-
ample

Is do just the best you can;

Be proud of yourself, but re-
member,

There is NO indispensable
man.

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