

Key Position For Newsmen

Andrew T. Hatcher, 37-year-old former San Francisco newsman and assistant California industrial commissioner, was named associate White House press aide by President-elect John F. Kennedy and became the first Negro awarded a key position in the new administration. Also the first Negro in U.S. history to be placed in a top White House press slot, Hatcher—as a Democratic press agent—travelled with candidate Kennedy throughout the latter's 50,000-mile campaign while helping to supervise some 175 reporters. During the 1956 presidential race, Hatcher was a member of Democratic candidate Adlai Stevenson's personal campaign staff, later was Rep. William Dawson's aide.

Says Negroes Should Stick to Principles

WASHINGTON — The deputy assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, Carl T. Rowan, cautioned American Negroes Sunday against letting racial feelings influence their judgment in international affairs.

He said such a tendency would cut the ground from under the American Negro's basic contention that principles have nothing to do with the color of a man's skin.

Rowan, one of the nation's outstanding newsmen, was sworn into his new post a week ago. He spoke at a meeting of the Washington Urban League.

Commenting on proposals that the United Nations entrust the Congo crisis to an all

African command, Rowan said:

"I feel it would be a tragedy—it would mean turning our backs on all the progress that man has made in his gruelling march away from that barbaric jungle of racial fear and hatred—if the United Nations ever were pressed to the point of conceding that it can use only Africans in Africa, Asians in Asia or caucasians in 'Caucasia'."

TRAGIC CONCESSION

"This could represent only a tragic concession that we are not men whose capacity to reason lifts us high with hope, but are mere animals, moved only by distrust and that acid of hate that already has etched such ugly figures on the face of humanity."

Rowan sharply criticized restaurant and hotel owners in this country who may have refused service to African diplomats because of their color.

He said such an owner "betrays the very institutions of liberty that we now strive so desperately to sustain. I don't think I need add that those whose minds are so small that they would humiliate and discriminate against others whose flesh and blood also is of America are equally guilty of treason."

Arabs Offer Life Interest

A special monthly allowance and a five-room apartment in a fashionable section of Cairo, have been granted to the widow of the slain Congo Premier Patrice Lumumba, Jet magazine reports in an exclusive interview with the widow.

The United Arab Republic gave the widow the furnished apartment in Zamalek, a fashionable suburb of Cairo, plus the allowance "for life or as long as she chooses to live in the UAR."

The deeply religious Pauline Lumumba (she is Protestant; the slain former Premier was Catholic) fled to Switzerland soon after her husband's arrest, Jet editor Alan Morrison reports from Africa.

There, her year-old baby, Roland, died. Efforts to have the baby flown back for burial in her native Lingala have failed. The weekly magazine also reports that all efforts to recover the body of Lumumba for religious burial have also failed.

Mrs. Lumumba said her husband "had time for nothing else, but politics." She claimed "he lived for nothing else—for years he saw himself as the leader of the people."

May Expell Frenchmen

LAGOS, Nigeria — French nationals may be expelled from Nigeria if France continues her intention to conduct another nuclear test in the Sahara, Prime Minister Abubakar Tafawa Balewa hinted.

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