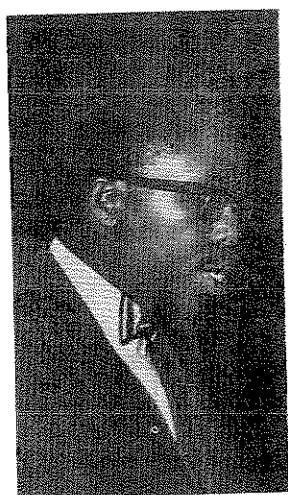
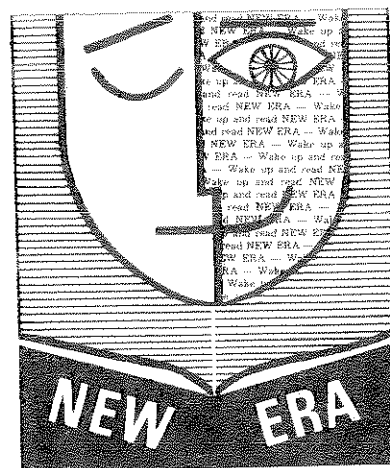


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Dr. J. G. Kiano

I AM happy to write this short message to you young Kenyans. I have chosen the topic "Are you really educated or just literate" because I believe it is important for young Kenyans to know that being educated means much more than just being literate.

WHAT IS EDUCATION?

Today when we talk of a person being educated we always have in mind a person who has

Kenya's Minister for Education asks: 'ARE YOU EDUCATED OR JUST LITERATE?' in this special message for NEW ERA

been to a primary or a secondary school or college. Invariably such a person would also be literate. But if we agree that education should give a person moral integrity, vocational skills, positive mental attitudes and an informed mind for effective service to the community in which he lives, then mere ability to read and write and accumulate knowledge is not enough to call a person educated.

WHO IS EDUCATED?

The question then is "What

are the qualities of an educated person?" My reply to this question would be: A person who is literate, has an inquiring mind, respects work and is dedicated to serve his fellow men. He is a person who is disciplined and possesses moral integrity; he is honest, reliable, cares for other people and co-operates with them; is sociable and is respectful; he does not look down on others particularly those that occupy humbler positions than himself, and is humble enough to know that all

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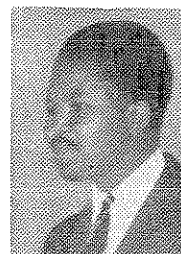
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'Attractive . . . and a magazine of good standing' — C.E.O.



"I have watched the growth of the New Era Magazine since its inception and it is gratifying to see the improvement that has evolved in its content, style and the format. Besides providing a dialogue between various primary schools in Kenya and especially most of those in Nairobi, it has gained general popularity among the pupils and the teachers in schools.

8 pages to 20 pages, but besides, its attractive presentation has made it a magazine of good standing.

I have been able to use the magazine to publicise certain important examination results and news to schools in Nairobi for which opportunity I have been very grateful. I would personally wish this magazine a greater success in future."

(J. WANYOIKE),

The inclusion of book reviews, City Education Officer, Nairobi

the general knowledge and the competition columns in the magazine, are a good indication of its education value. Not only that, the size of the magazine has increased from

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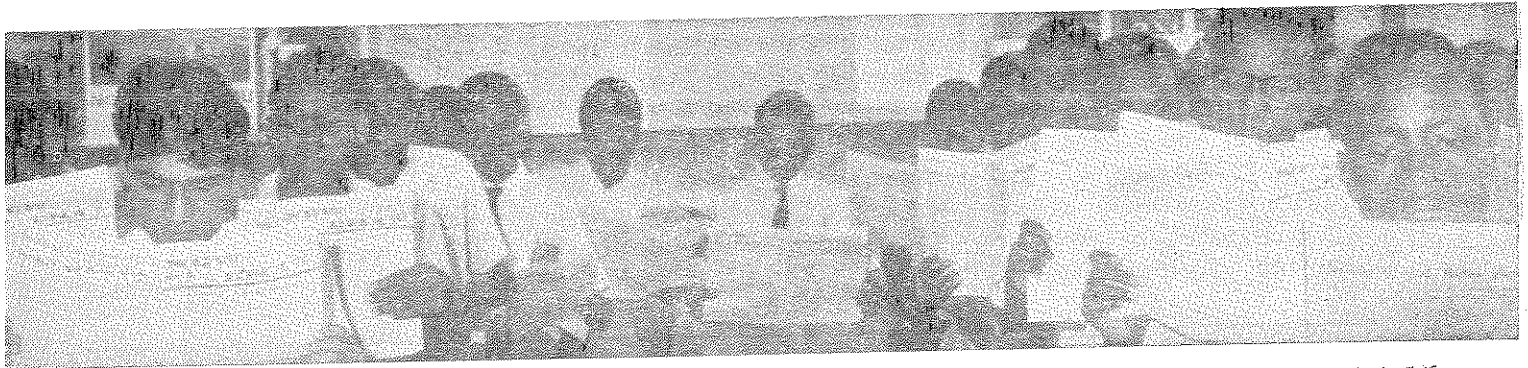
FOUR years ago it was a dream about a magazine which would tell all schoolchildren about Kenya's education news, sports news, new and interesting discoveries answer general knowledge questions and talk about new books. 'The dream magazine' was read by pupils, students and teachers all over Kenya because it contained the good things, that were happening and the improvements that were made in the schools. It was liked and respected by education officers, teachers and school children because it contained things that helped



● The founder publisher of NEW ERA magazine, late Mr. V. P. Sharma whose experiment in starting a Kenya magazine to serve schoolchildren (below) has today become a success.

The Ninth issue of NEW ERA had a special interview with the then Mayor of Nairobi, Alderman Charles Rubia, which was copied by all leading newspapers of Kenya. By the time it celebrated its first birthday, the experiment was a success. Congratulations arrived from education leaders of Kenya, India, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Mexico, Japan, U.K. and U.S.A.

As it grew to 20 pages, NEW ERA issues were presented to Senator Robert Kennedy and Spaceman John Glenn when they visited Nairobi.



teachers to teach better, children to learn better and the latest news from the Ministry of Education.

A Nairobi principal with many years of experience behind him, Mr. V. P. Sharma, had that dream.

A year later, in May, 1966, he started a small experiment to make the dream a reality when the first eight-page issue of NEW ERA magazine was published. Although small, it was at once welcomed by headmasters, teachers and students because it filled a long felt need.

The next month, it increased to 12 pages and looked a lot better and by its third issue it had two colour printing and contained 16 pages. But the man who dreamt the idea, started the experiment did not live to see it become an outstanding success. He died

But good ideas usually live longer than men and the idea of NEW ERA magazine lived on, serving the young Kenyans.

The fifth issue of the magazine was a Kenyatta Day Special, the first of which were sent to the President himself.

The magazine started its third year with special messages from the Assistant Minister for Education, Mr. E. E. Khasakhala and the Mayor of Nairobi, Councillor Isaac Lugonzo and it spread to more and more schools.

Thus NEW ERA has really started a new era (a period of history) in the education system of Kenya . . . thanks to the dream of the late Mr. V. P. Sharma, his experiment which is a success today.

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ONE of the first Asian teachers to be trained in Kenya, Mr. J. R. M. Ferrao, who has served the Ministry for Education for 19 years left his post as the headmaster of the Government Road Primary School, Nairobi, last term. Mr. Ferrao has worked in five Nairobi schools and is a keen sports and scouting enthusiast.

At a farewell dinner party, the Minister for Labour, Mr. E. N. Mwendwa, praised his work. So did the Chairman of the school committee, Mr. Boaz Omori who is the editor-in-chief of the Nation Newspapers. Mr. Omori, who is the editor-in-chief worked very hard for the school. Others present at the party included the Mayor of Nairobi.

Councillor Isaac Lugonzo and the City Education Officer, Mr. J. K. Wanyoike. The new headmistress of this school is Mrs. J. G. Wamae who has worked as the deputy head of the school for some time.

NEW ERA wishes Mr. Ferrao the best of luck and welcomes Mrs. Wamae in her new post.

Thank you

HIGHRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

THE Minister for Health, Mr. J. D. Otiende, was the guest of honour at a party held to thank the team of doctors who medically examined the children of this school, last term.

"The seven doctors who examined the pupils have helped in the building of the nation by attending to the future generation of Kenya", said Mr. S. K.

Kapoor, the headmaster in a speech of thanks, "They have thus provided many children with a better chance of turning out healthy, self-respecting and happy citizens."

Health talk

HIGHWAY SECONDARY SCHOOL

SENIOR students studying health science at this school listened to a talk by Mr. S. L. Norda, the Hospital Group Secretary, on "The Functions of a Hospital" last term. Mr. Norda said few people realized that for only three shillings a child could be protected for life from one of deadliest diseases of today — polio. He advised more people, especially children to take their polio vaccination. When people visit a hospital, they should realise that it takes

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Progress made

JAMHURI HIGH SCHOOL

THE Vice-President of Kenya, Mr. D. T. arap Moi, was the guest of honour at the first speech day of this school under its new name late last term. In his annual report, Mr. Michael Wood, the headmaster, pointed out the progress made and problems faced by this school. In the progress record, he listed the new bus the school had obtained by self-help efforts; the sports pavilion being built; the hockey team's clean sweep of the junior and senior league tournaments; and the President's Awards the schoolboys had obtained. With a record of 93 bronze awards, 46 silver awards and five gold awards, Mr. Wood challenged any other school to beat this record.

Talking of the problems, Mr. Wood said the school had the highest number of failures ever although the top results were excellent. This was mostly caused by the shocking conditions under which some African students lived.

The Vice-President of Kenya said he would shortly start a fund to build a hostel for some of these African students who have no homes in Nairobi.

New head

NILE ROAD SPECIAL SCHOOL

IF you do not have an arm or a leg, does it mean that you

cannot go to school? Or you should remain uneducated? No, the Nairobi City Council has a special school for these disabled children called the Nile River Special School which has a new headmistress, Miss G. K. Pirani, P.C. Ed. London, from this term. There are two of these schools with specially trained teachers to teach these children with teaching equipment. The Nile Road Special School has 72 pupils and four teachers.

Well done, Drs.

PARK ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

THE Assistant Minister for Education, Mr. Eric E. Khasakhala, thanked the doctors who medically examined the pupils of this school last term, at a party held recently. He praised their efforts to help young Kenyans. The headmaster, Mr. C. A. Patel, welcomed the guests and told them about the medical report of the pupils.

Great example

KIBERA PRIMARY SCHOOL

MR. Hardial Singh Chada, a teacher recently appointed at this school, was so touched by the poverty of some of his pupils that he presented three of them with school uniforms at his own expense. The Assistant City Education Officer, Mr. Edward Maina Gachungu, who had been invited to attend this ceremony praised this teacher. Mr. Gachungu presented the winning Kilimanjaro House with their trophy.

NEW ERA says, "This is great example set by a teacher who really feels and cares for his pupils. Well done!"

Welcome back

KILELESHWA PRIMARY SCHOOL

THE headmaster of this school, Mr. Khurshid A. Butt, has returned to his post after his leave. In welcoming him back, NEW ERA hopes that the school will continue to progress with his energetic guidance.

Future plans

RACECOURSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

KENYA Government aimed at expanding secondary education until every child who was capable could benefit, the Permanent Secretary for the Ministry of Education, Mr. J. K. Njoroge, said at the speech day of the Racecourse Primary School last term.

Such expansion of secondary education would need large amounts of money and teachers which the country could not afford but must try to make this aim come true in years ahead.

The Kenya Government had done as much as it could to expand primary education. At Uhuru in 1963, there were 891,554 primary pupils and 1968 there were 1,209,680 — an increase of 318,127.

The headmaster, Mr. Patel, said that 42 out of 83 children who had attempted C.P.E. had obtained secondary school seats. There was a great need for another secondary school in the area as within 220 yards, there were four Schedule B and five Schedule A primary schools. Almost 1200 pupils took C.P.E. every year while only about half of these could be admitted in the secondary schools of the area. This school won the Schedule B hockey trophy, and Junior rounders trophy.

YOUNG FARMERS

In the first Young Farmers article from the Agricultural Society of Kenya, (A.S. of K.) NEW ERA readers were told how to start a Young Farmers club at your school. This article tells you some activities planned by the A.S. of K. for the second term this year.

THIS term the Agricultural Society of Kenya's main event is the National Rally, to be held at Jamhuri Park, Nairobi on the 28th June, when Young Farmers from all over the country come to meet one another and attend lectures and demonstrations given to them by experts in all fields of agriculture. This year we are working on the theme "How to make the optimum (best) use of a small acreage" containing such topics as intensive horticulture, poultry, pigs, cheap farm buildings, farm records, marketing of produce, and basic

farm management. A basic knowledge of these subjects is essential if small plots both at home or at school are to be used to their best advantage.

We are also organising Field Days in all districts at which lectures and demonstrations will be given on different agricultural topics related especially to the district concerned.

NAKURU SHOW

The A.S. of K. Nakuru Show will be held on the 6th and 7th June and we have a Young Farmers' pavilion at the Show-ground, so if any of you are interested in forming a club at your school, and would like further information please visit the stand where you will find the Secretary, or Mr. Varle, the Field Officer, in attendance. We also hold stock and produce judging competitions for Young Farmers clubs at this and all other shows. Young Farmers also act as Stewards to the A.S.

of K. Judges, thereby gaining experience in all types of agriculture. Young Farmers' are allowed special rates of entry to these Shows.

KISUMU SHOW

Other A.S. of K. Shows this term are the Kisumu Show on 4th and 5th July, and the Nyeri Show on August 8th, and 9th, at which Young Farmers will take part as given above.

During the next holidays in July a ten-day Training Camp will be held at which all Young Farmers may attend at a very reasonable cost. During the Camp a variety of lectures and demonstrations will be given on agricultural topics along with social activities.

Apart from activities organised through the A.S. of K., all clubs are encouraged to organise inter-club meetings, debates on their own and it is hoped that we shall see a tremendous increase in these activities this year.

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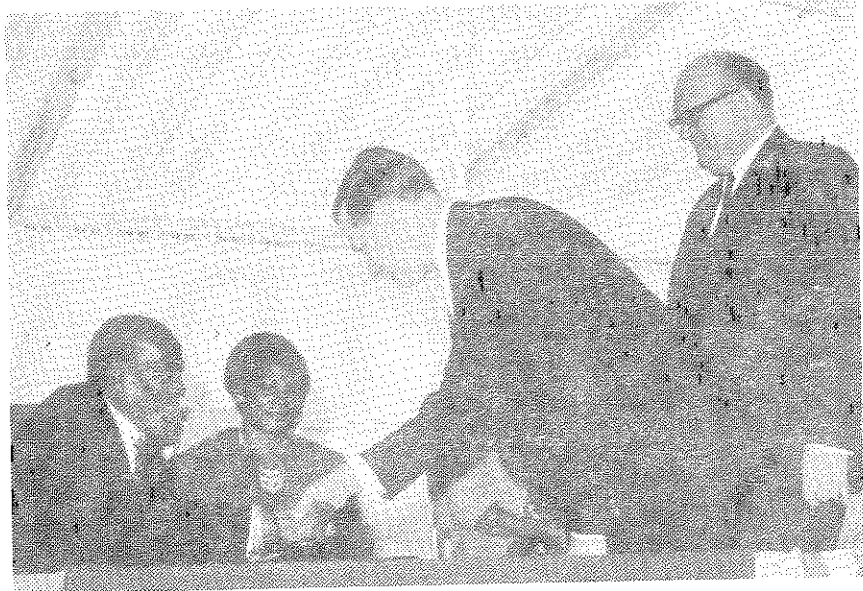
2nd Prize — A transistor radio — Raksha D. Patel — (Catholic Sec. School).

3rd Prize — An Austrian Doll — Radha V. Patel — (Forthall Road Primary School).

4th Prize — An Austrian Doll — Aruna K. Meshwania — (C.G.H.U. Primary School).

5th 6th and 7th Prizes — A record *Silent Night, Holy Night* — Praful L. Patel — (Technical High School, Hansa K. Meshwania — Visa Oshwal Girls Sec. School), Dilip C. Patel — River Bank Primary School.

Thirteen Consolation Prizes — A Colour book on Austria — Harji D. Patel — (Visa Oshwal Primary School), Satish C. Patel — (River Bank Primary School), Nandini K. Haria — (Visa Oshwal Primary School), Dilip K. Mewasi — (Government Road Primary School), Francis Ossama — (New Era College), Hansraj Patel — (Government Road Primary School), Ranjana D. Dudhia — (Fort Hall Road Primary School), Nirmal K. Bharadia — (S.S.D. Primary School), Ratilal R. Hirani — (River Bank Primary School), Devji V. Patel — (Fort Hall Road Primary School), Dhiraj K. Bharadia — (Visa Oshwal Girls Secondary School), Shakuntla Jethwa — (Government Road Primary School), Kailesh K. Shah — (Visa Oshwal Primary School).



● The Austrian Ambassador to Kenya presents a recording of "Silent Night, Holy Night" to the President of Kenya, Mzee Jomo Kenyatta, while Mama Ngina Kenyatta looks on with pleasure. On the right is Mr. Kurt Hampe, the Press Information Officer of the Austrian Embassy in Kenya.

The Austrian Ambassador will present the 20 prizes listed on the left to NEW ERA readers during next month at a special party to be held at this magazine's offices at which headmasters, education officers and the prize winners will be invited.

Calling KJSE students for

LESSONS FROM RADIO

The Schools' Broadcasting Service of the Ministry of Education which is transmitted on the National Service of the Voice of Kenya provides radio programmes of great interest and help to lower secondary students. In the coming second radio term which lasts for eight weeks and starts on 12th May you can hear programmes. On Mondays at 10.40 a.m. eight geography lessons on Australia and New Zealand; on Thursdays at 10.40 a.m. eight English lessons given by Dr. John Sharman called "Saying the Right Thing"; and on Fridays at 10.40 a.m. the continuation of the First Year Secondary Swahili course given by Mr. Salim Barkressa.

The third term of the year starting on 15th September and on Tuesday at 10.40 a.m. you can hear eight history lessons with the little "Events that changed the Ancient World" and on Fridays at the same time you can tune in to the third part of the First Year Secondary Swahili Course.

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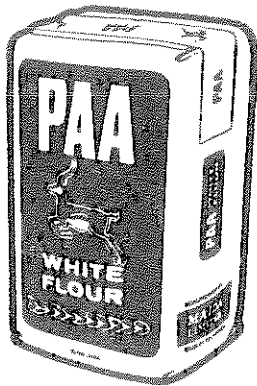
Don't forget that the "Adult Studies Classroom" broadcasts on the National Service of the Voice of Kenya from 5 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. are the radio part of the Radio / Correspondence Courses for Form I and Form II which are produced by the Institute of Adult Studies of the University College, Nairobi.

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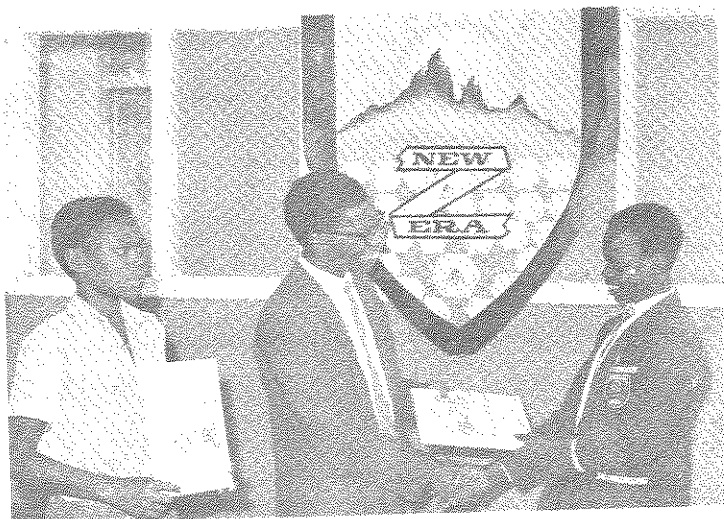
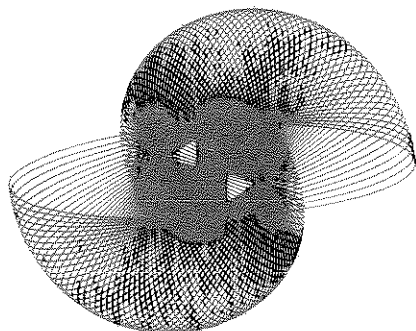
NEW ERA readers from almost ten different Nairobi Schools gathered at the magazine's office late last term to be presented with the prizes they had won for the competitions in the first two issues for 1969.

After a tea party, it was all smiles and thanks as they received their prizes. They said they looked forward to each new issue of the magazine, enjoyed reading it and taking part in the competitions.

NEW ERA says, "Thank YOU ALL. We shall try and keep on improving your magazine to make it more interesting."



● **HAPPY WINNERS OF NEW ERA COMPETITIONS** — Standing from the left Aggrey Onyango Orwa from Jamhuri High School, (January Oxford Contest), Sobhna Pankhania from Ngara Secondary School (D. L. Patel Pen), Edward Chega from New Era College, (February Oxford Contest), and Eravin L. Patel from Technical High School (Moonowords Second prize). Seated from the left Rajni D. Shah from Visha Oswal Primary School, (Moonowords Second prize) Raksha J. Shah from Nairobi South Primary School (Moonowords First prize) and Anil Bakrania from City Primary School. (Moonowords Fourth prize).

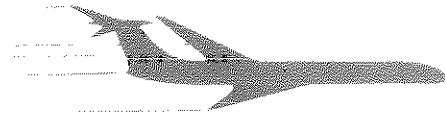
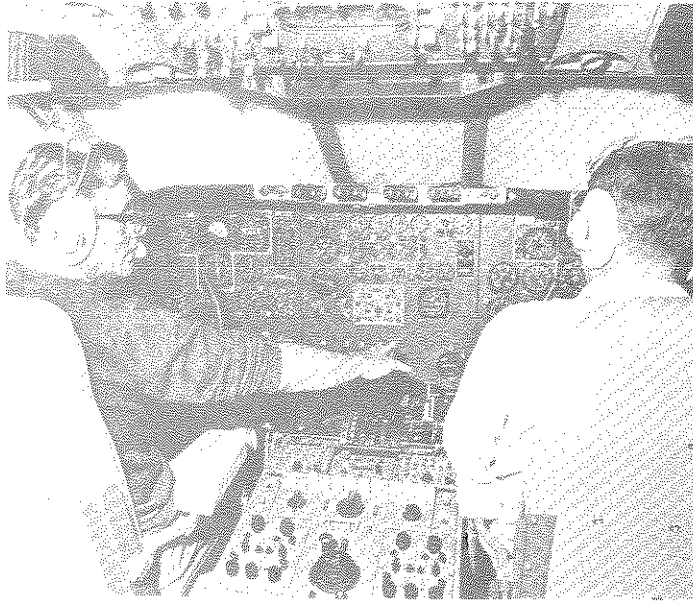


● Mr. Jonathan Kayira from the Oxford University Press presents Aggrey Onyango Orwa with his prize and Edward Chege (left) from the New Era College looks on.



● Mr. V. V. Patel from D. L. Patel Press Limited awards a pen set to Sobhna Pankhania of the Ngara Secondary School.

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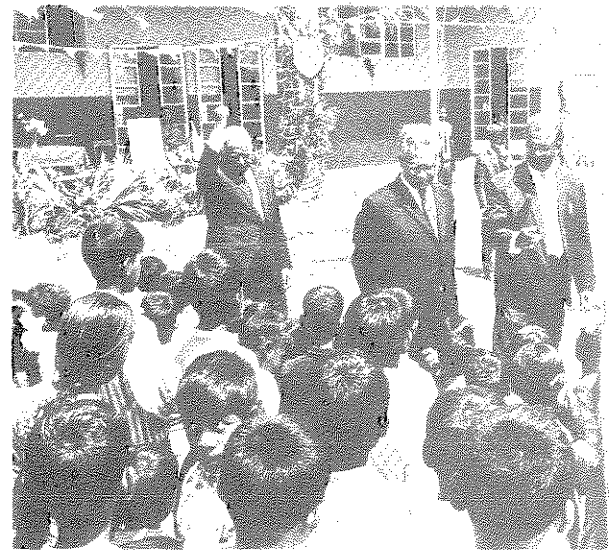


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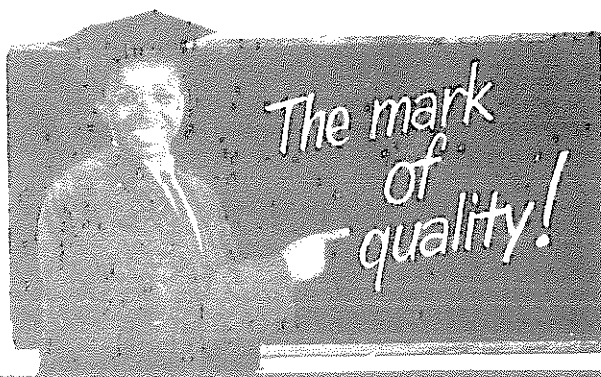
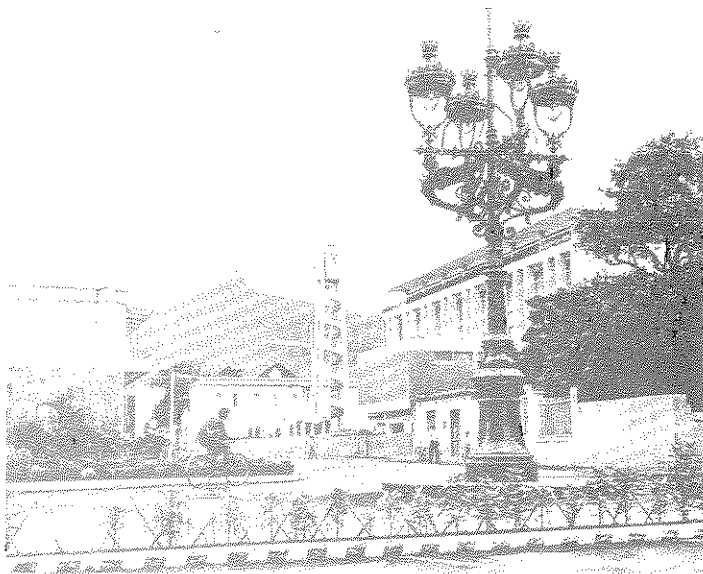
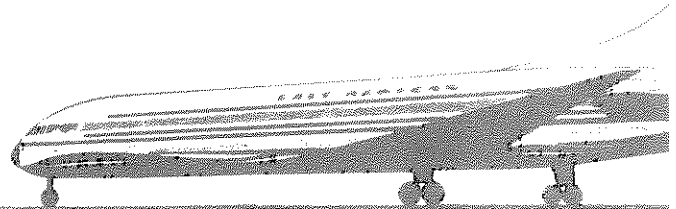
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Heaven from it."



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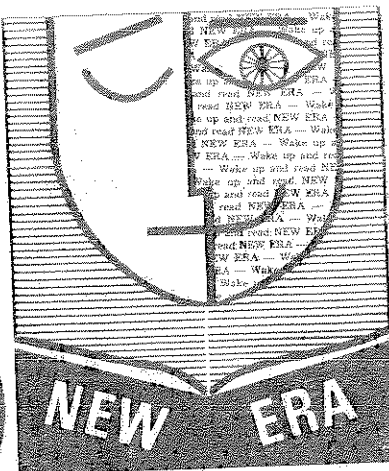
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POETRY IS FUN!

Jack and Jill went up the hill
To fetch a pail of water
Jack fell down and broke his crown
And Jill came tumbling after

Today children do not injure themselves in bringing water from the top of a hill. Instead, we just turn the tap and there flows all the water we need.

One two, buckle my shoe
Three, four, shut the door

Shoes don't have buckles any more, but most children still learn these rhymes and enjoy reciting them.

THIS IS POETRY

This is indeed poetry but most people do not use this word when talking about Motser Goose.

What is poetry? It is a means of enjoyment. It helps us to bring happiness in our lives when we recite or sing it.

Just think of "Baa Baa, Black sheep have you any wool?"

Doesn't it remind you of the time when you were in standard I? Doesn't it remind you of the day when you sang it and danced and pretended to cry when you came to the end of the 'poem'?

FILLS WITH HAPPINESS

And doesn't it fill you with happiness? Yes, it does! Well then, this is poetry.

If you stopped reading poems after you passed standard III, then just imagine how much enjoyment you have missed.

But why is poetry so enjoyable? Why is it so beautiful?

It is enjoyable because words are so arranged in a poem that they sound pleasant to our ears when we read them. If you read a good poem aloud, then your ears will enjoy their sounds when they tell you a story or describe something beautiful.

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Finally here is a book lover, John Wilson, who tells you in poetry how much he values a good book:

Oh for a book and shady nook,
Either in door or out,
With the green leaves whispering overhead,
Or the street cries all about.
Where I may read all at my ease,
Both of the new and old;
For a jolly good book whereon to look;
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You may not know the answer because unless you actually read a book you cannot find out if it is worth reading or not.

After reading a book when you discover that you did not like it then it is too late because you have already spent your valuable time in reading something worthless. To guide you for good reading, NEW ERA presents here a few wonderful books every intelligent child must read.

We have selected these books not because they are "good books" or "great books".

We have selected these books for you be-

cause they are interesting books, they will add to your knowledge and help you with your studies as well.

Most important of all, these books are a joy to read. You will enjoy yourself while you read and feel happy when you finish them.

They are also great books — "great" because they have not been forgotten although some of them were written centuries ago.

A few recent ones are also "great" because when you read them you feel that you are really living with the characters in these books. So that is why they are all great.

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"Every book is an experience" said someone. "A great book is a great experience."

Pick up any of these books and we guarantee that a great experience is in store for you.

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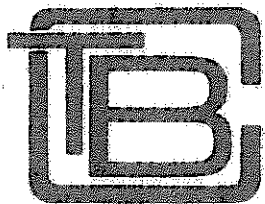
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LEARNING in Africa should mean learning about Africa first. The young Africans should first learn about their own countries, their neighbours and their continent before they start learning about other people and other lands.

The Government of Kenya believes this for all young Kenyans and so recently the Ministry of Education sent a list of African reading books for C.P.E., K.J.S.E. and School Certificate Examination. The stories in these books happen in Africa and are written by East Africans.

"There is a list of books which the Ministry considers that every child and youngster going through school or college must read," said the circular sent to all school, "They are all delightful books, and no doubt all boys and girls, men and women, will find them interesting."

Kenya schools have been asked to buy enough copies of each of these books so that pupils and students can read and enjoy them. NEW ERA prints the list here to help our readers to see how many they have already read or have to read.

REQUIRED READING PRIMARY

STANDARD 3 & 4

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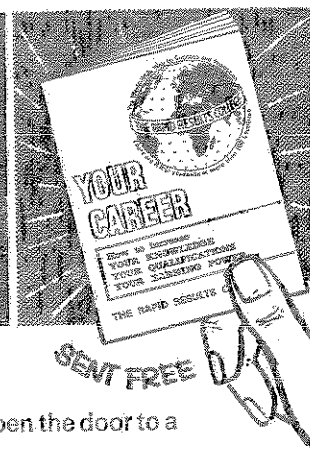
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FORMS 1 & 2

1. Tit for Tat; 2. Hamisi's Holiday Safari; 3. Hamisi's Second Safari; 4. Truphena Student Nurse; 5. Truphena City Nurse; 6. Anna the Air Hostess; 7. Captured by Raider; 8. Adventure Across Africa; 9. Flying Doctor; 10. The Young Farmers; 11. The Battlefield; 12. The Breaking Branch (all E.A.P.H.); 13. The Survivors (Equatorial Publishers).

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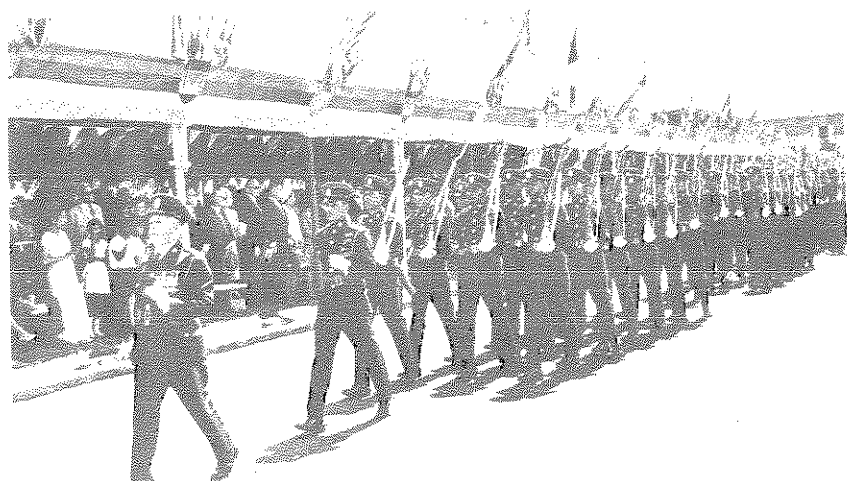


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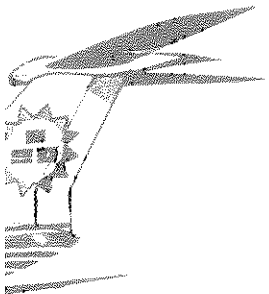
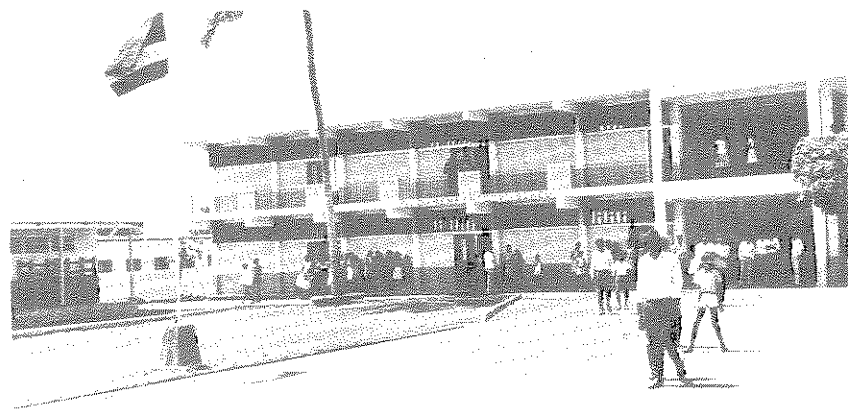


● With smart parades like this and happy festivals, the island celebrated the first birthday of its freedom in March this year. The Prime Minister of Mauritius, Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam, inspected this parade of Mauritian Policemen.



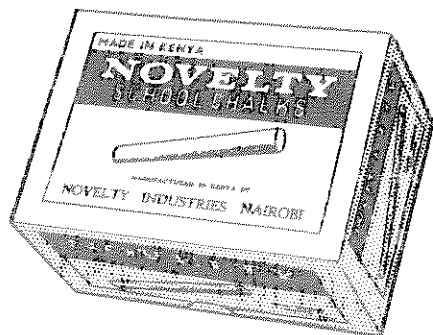
● The Mauritian Minister for Education, Mr. R. Jomadar, (centre) talks to pupils of a primary school celebrating the first birthday of the island's Uhuru.

● Primary education is free for all young Mauritians and modern schools like this are found even in small villages.



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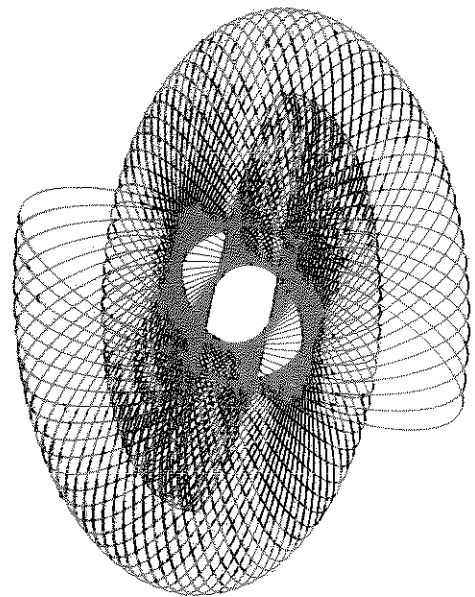
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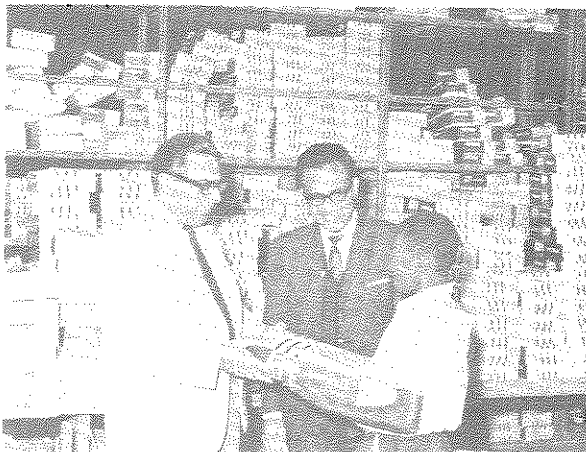
PHOTOGRAPHERS



● NEW ERA readers from different schools enjoy a tea party at the offices of their favourite magazine. On the right is Mrs. Usha Shah, the acting senior mistress of the Visha Oshwal Primary School, Nairobi.



● "This is how top quality vests are made in Kenya," says Mr. R. H. Shukla as he shows the winners of the Midco Word Quiz round the Midco Textile Factory where 250 types of cotton piece goods for agents and sizes are made.



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● Now it's the turn of Colin Norohna of St. Theresa's Boys Secondary School to receive his Midco prize from Mr. Vasani as his father Mr. Felix Norohna, who is a teacher at Eastleigh Secondary School, smiles broadly.

SECONDARY SCHOOL SERIAL

*International Trade — 4***WAGES & PRICES****TWO THINGS THAT
INTEREST EVERYONE!**

WHAT most people work for today is wages. How much they can buy with their wages depends on the prices. So wages and prices interest everyone. We have seen that freedom to trade means freedom to buy from abroad those goods that cost less. But supposing you were told that free trade would lower your wages, would you not think free trade a bad thing? It would be if the statement were true, but it is not. Free trade cannot lower your wages. But why should anyone want to make a statement that is not true? The answer is simple — because it is to **their** particular advantage.

If people can be wrongly persuaded that free trade lowers wages, then they will be against free trade and that is to the advantage of manufacturers who want to keep foreign goods out of the country so that they can sell their own dearer or inferior goods.

The argument that these "protectionists" (the people who want protection from competition) use to try and show that free trade lowers wages is false, but convincing to those who do not study the question. This is the false argument:

If the wages of the people who make the foreign goods are lower than the wages of those in the country that buy them, this will lower the wages of the

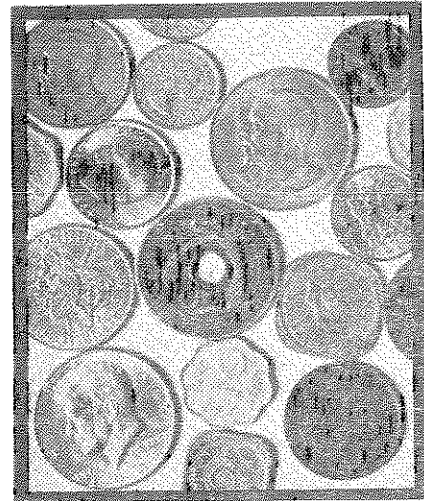
people in the country that buys them.

This argument goes on to say that the manufacturers in the importing country will be forced to lower their wages so as to reduce costs and so sell their goods at the same low price as those being imported.

Now let us suppose that a manufacturer tried to lower wages for this reason, what would happen?

The first thing to remember is that **not all manufacturers are in competition with manufacturers abroad.** Many manufacturers are not bothered with competition from abroad because they can make and sell their goods cheaper — or the goods they make or grow cannot be easily obtained from abroad. Because these employers do not compete with firms from abroad they would naturally still go on paying the usual wages. So if the firms who were worried by foreign competition tried to lower their wages, their workers would leave them and get jobs where wages were not lowered. So that in the end, the protectionist firms would have to pay the same wages as everybody else in order to get workers.

But, you might say, if workers left to join other firms, would not the competition for the jobs bring wages down?



If you think this would happen then you have forgotten something in the last lesson. It is **this**; when a country imports goods it **must send goods out in exchange.** So, we need extra labour to make the goods to send out in exchange. The demand for labour would be the same in the end and so would the rate of wages.

Wages may vary according to skill, but they do not vary just because the goods have to face competition. If the skills are equal — then the wages must be equal no matter where the goods go to or what the competition is.

If a particular industry could lower wages regardless of what can be earned in other industries you may be sure they would do so now without waiting for an excuse! But of course they cannot for the reasons explained.

So, free trade does not lower wages, but it does **lower prices** and this is **good for wage earners.**

But when people see through these false arguments, the firms who want protection from competition, think up new ways to get their governments to keep out goods from abroad. These we shall see in the next lesson.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW — 4

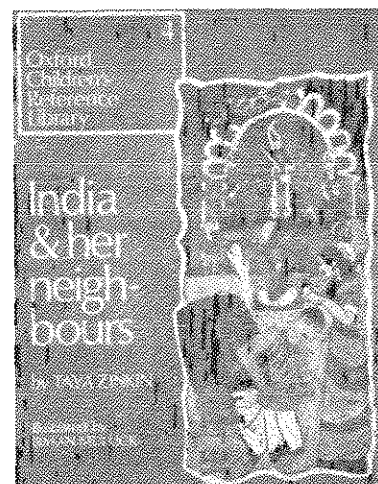
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Sikhs come from?

6. Which Indian leader taught to fight for freedom without killing?
7. What does the word 'monsoon' mean?
8. Besides tea, which are the two important crops of Pakistan?
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Q. Name three apples famous in history.

(Kaushi Patel — Ngara Secondary School)

- ★ The apples Adam ate; the apple that fell on Newton's head and gave him the idea of the law of gravity, and the apple which William Tell shot from his son's head.

Q. Who was the first man to climb Mt. Everest?

(Raksha I. Shah — Nairobi South P.S.)

- ★ Sir Edmund Hillary.

Q. How far away is the sun from the earth?

(Pavitar S. and Amarjeet Singh — Ainsworth Street P.S.)

- ★ 93,000,000,000 miles.

Q. How many pennies weigh an ounce?

(Shantilal M. — Fort Hall Road P.S.)

- ★ 3 pennies.

Q. Who invented the first steam engine?

(Pradi P. N. Mistry — River Bank Primary School).

- ★ George Stephenson.

Q. Which is the highest peak of Mount Kenya?

(Miss Nina D. Lakhan — Arya P.S.)

- ★ Batian.

Q. What is a chronometer and who invented it? When?

(Ashoul S. Shah — Visa Oshwal P.S.)

- ★ A very accurate time-keeping instrument. John Harrison invented it in 1757.

Q. Who invented Mercury Barometer?

(Anil M. Shah — Visa Oshwal P.S.)

- ★ Torricelli in 1643.

Q. Which is the biggest lake in the world?

(Maina C. — Visa Oshwal Primary School).

- ★ Lake Victoria.

Q. Who discovered the source of River Nile?

(Aggrey Shivachi B. — Keleleshwa P.S.)

- ★ Speke and Grant.

Q. Who was the first lady astronaut?

(Pravin Patel — Technical High School).

- ★ Valentina Tereshkova of Russia.

Q. Who discovered Lake Albert?

(Patrick Muiruri — Keleleshwa P.S.)

- ★ Samuel Baker and his wife.

Q. In which game do the winners go backwards and the losers go forwards?

(Praful Patel — Technical High School)

- ★ Tug of War.

Q. Where are the O.A.U. headquarters situated?

(Inayetulla Ismail — Technical High School)

- ★ Addis Ababa at (Africa Hall) in Ethiopia.

Q. What is the meaning of P.E.?

AFRICA: PAST AND PRESENT

This is the name of a beautiful book from Longmans of Kenya Limited which Mr. Knowall will give as the prize for asking the best question in this and the next two issues of NEW ERA.

AFRICA: PAST AND PRESENT costs Shs. 30/- and is the history of Africa from prehistoric times to the present day with hundreds of well chosen photographs. Written by E. B. Thompson, this 330-page book will be useful to all students for many years to come. Make it yours by sending the top question to Mr. Knowall.

(Kiran B. Shah — Visa Oshwal P.S.)

- ★ Physical education.

Q. Who discovered the use of spectacles?

(George Mc. Joseph Brown — Dr. Krapf School)

- ★ The Chinese were the first to use them. They were invented for the Europeans by Roger Bacon in 1270.

Q. Why do we get red in the face after playing games?

(Smita K. Shah — Racecourse P.S.)

- ★ When you play games you use up energy and produce heat. This heat leaves your body through your skin thus reddening it.

Q. What are Vitamins?

(Ghalib Jung — Kibera P.S.)

- ★ Vitamins are substances occurring in many foods in small amounts. Most of the vitamins are necessary for the healthy functioning of the body.

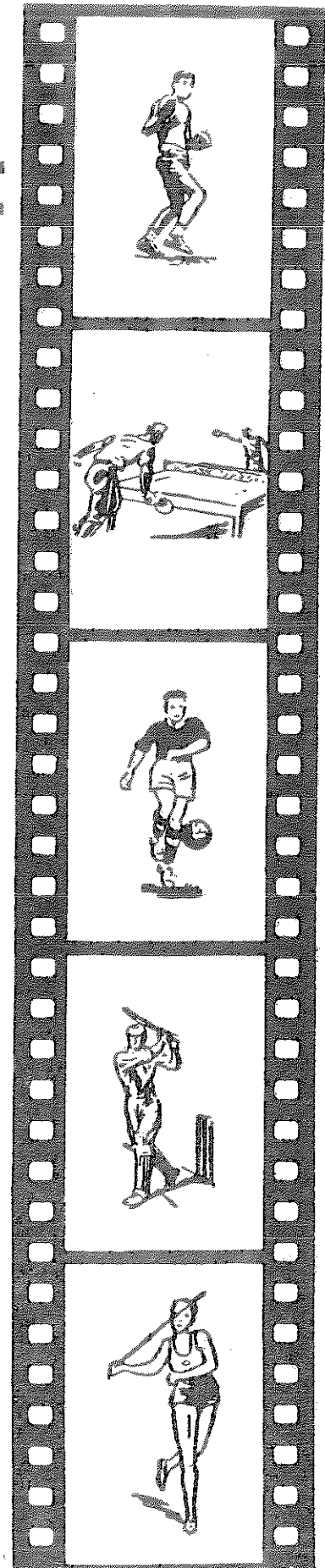


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What an educated person does

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other people are important and equal in the eyes of God.

He must also be confident in himself and be able to rely on himself instead of being dependent on others. He must be able to make reasoned judgments and not allow feelings to run away with him. An educated person respects constituted authority, his parents, his government and his country; and obeys laws of the land. An educated person is integrated into his community and enjoys his cultural background and identifies himself with the feelings and aspirations of the community while at the same time recognise the rights and values of other communities. He possesses some skills which he can use for the good of society as well as for himself. These are some of the important attributes of what I consider to be an educated person.

Accordingly in our schools and Teacher Training Colleges we are developing school curriculum methods and techniques of teaching which will help teachers to acquire these qualities. If the teachers possess these desired qualities it is more than likely that they will pass them to their students. As I write I am thinking of you the reader, and am confident that you are being and becoming educated.

• NEW ERA sincerely thanks the Honourable Minister for this inspiring message to our readers and hopes that all teachers and parents will explain and discuss the idea of a truly educated person with young Kenyans and encourage them to follow the guidelines suggested here.

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1. Courage is knowing what not, to (tear/fear) — Socrates.
2. Books are ships which (pass/toss) through the vast seas of time — Francis Bacon.
3. Death — the (last/lost) (sleep/sheep)? No, it is the

final awakening — Sir Walter Scott.

4. Teaching people to (behold/ behave) as they do not (behave/behold) is education — John Ruskin.
5. History is a pattern of (timeless/tireless) moments — T. S. Eliot.
6. A little (learning/laziness) is a dangerous thing.
7. There was things which he (regretted/stretched) but mainly he told the truth — Mark Twain.
8. All happy families (remember/resemble) one another, but each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way — Leo Tolstoy.
9. Tell the truth and (shake/shame) the devil — proverb.
10. A Midco (vest/best) is the (vest/best) locally made knitwear.

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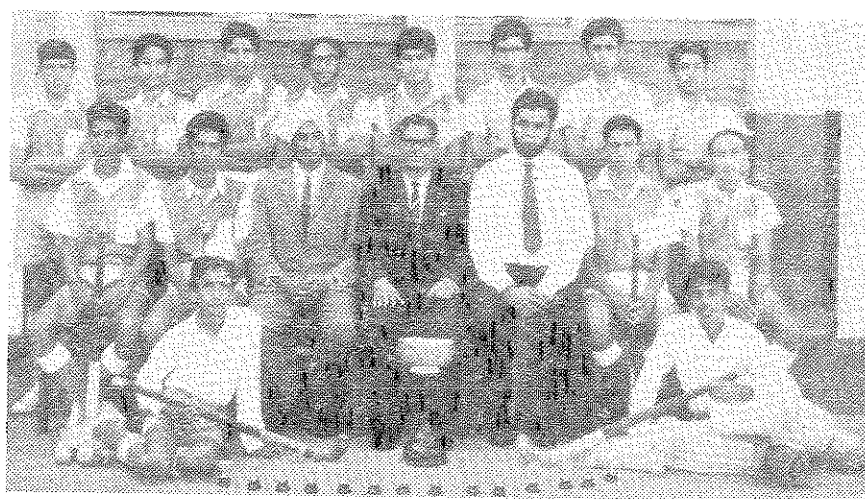
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SCHOOL SPORTS EXTRA



● Eastleigh Secondary School hockey team with the headmaster, Mr. A. N. Sharma in dark suit.

PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALLERS



● One of the top primary school football teams in Nairobi — that of St. Patrick's School Ofafa Meningo.

HOCKEY

● From the back page

the Association, in a special hockey report to NEW ERA. The membership of the Association has increased and

there was a greater interest in hockey in all the Nairobi schools.

For the first time the Mustaq Trophy was organised by the Association and won by the

Eastleigh Secondary School. The season started with a Six-a-side Junior Tournament held in the Third Term last year. Jamhuri High School won two of the three divisions and the third went to the Aga Khan High School.

Another important tournament organised by the Association, the Kesar Singh Cup which was claimed by Eastleigh Secondary School after a thrilling final match.

No less than three schoolboys were part of the Kenya Hockey Team for its tour of India and Pakistan early this year. This was a great achievement by the schoolboys and proved to hockey officials that top class hockey talent was present in the schools.

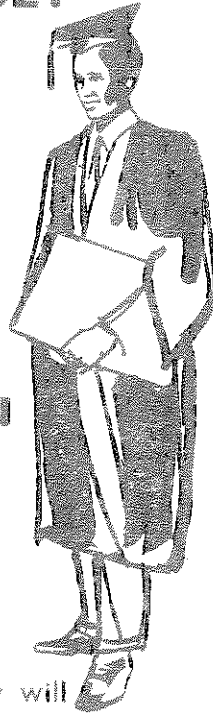
The Combined School Team was a top team this season. Last year they went down 4-0 to an Indian XI after holding them 0-0 at half-time. For the first time this year they played against a representative side from the Nairobi Hockey Association and the Kenya team. They lost 1-0 to the Nairobi side but drew with the Kenya team which was a great day for the schoolboys.

On the hockey field, the Combined School could not be regarded as mere school-boys because they entered a top tournament, the Tata Cup, which was being completed for the Provincial teams and won it in a tough fight up to the very end.

The Combined School beat the Coast Association 1-0 and faced the NHA in the finals beating them by 1-0 once again to carry away the Tata Cup. Since the Nairobi side is considered almost as equal as the Kenya side, it was a great victory of the Schools.

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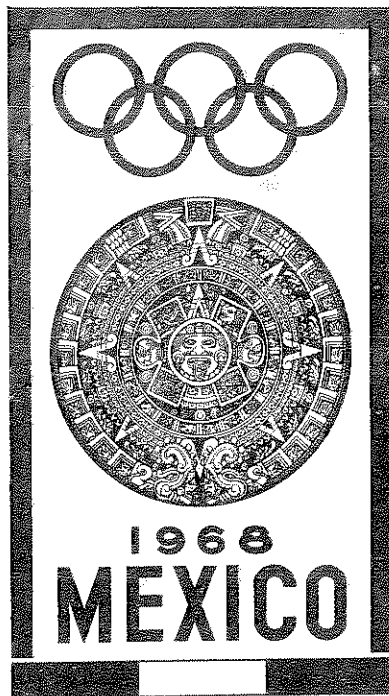
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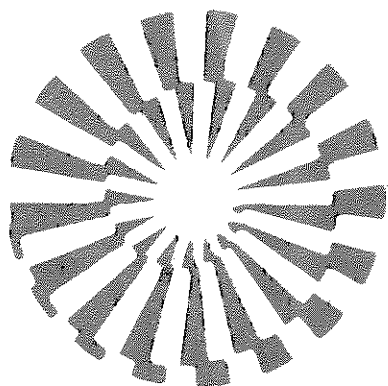
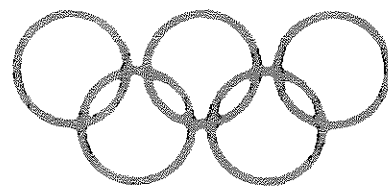
FIRST AGAIN!



In late 1966, NEW ERA was the first magazine in East Africa to print the official emblem for the XIX Olympic Games which were held in Mexico. This emblem (shown on the left) was later reprinted from NEW ERA magazine by the two big newspapers of East Africa, the "Daily Nation" and the "East African Standard."

FROM MUNICH

Now once again, the New Era Magazine prints the official emblem for the XX Olympic Games to be held in Munich for the first time in East Africa. This emblem has been received from West Germany where the Olympic will be held in the State of Bavaria.



All set for athletics

Schools throughout Kenya are getting ready for the athletics season which starts off this month with the School Cross Country Championships to be held in Njoro on May 17.

Schoolboys athletics in the primary and secondary schools go into full training to set new records for themselves. First the schools will group themselves in triangular athletics meetings in different parts of the country and then come together for the Provincial School Athletics meetings in different provinces of Kenya.

SCHOOLS HOCKEY — A GREAT SUCCESS!

AFTER a most successful hockey season for many years, the Nairobi Schools Hockey Association — NSHA — is planning two tours to play in Mombasa and Kampala in the coming holidays.

"The schools have plan to go to the Coast in August to play against the schools clubs and Coast Hockey Association sides there," NSHA official told NEW ERA recently. "In the

December holidays a tour of Uganda may be planned to give our boys the chance of playing against school, club and possibly the Uganda hockey team."

The 1968-1969 hockey season has been the most successful one since the Nairobi Hockey Association was formed about four years ago, said Mr. Surinder Sharma, an official of

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