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Book Review

"African Sculpture Speaks," by Ladislas Segy. A. A. Wyn, Inc., 23 W. 47th. st., New York. 254 pp. $7.50.

Ladislas Segy's "African Sculpture Speaks" strikes this reviewer as a definitive study of Africa's most representative graphic art form. Other studies of other forms - music, for instance, and its complement, the dance - have been made and have created a flurry of interest, and have sometimes inspired a spate of derivative works. The 1920's in France was a period notable for this kind of activity, and the novel **Batouala**, in the opinion of many, climaxed it. But in general African art forms have had little lasting influence on the art of other continents. There is even some doubt of the influence of African music; and the African dance, never taken too seriously, simply makes an entertaining spectacle for wan sophisticates who feel a spurious vitality at an exhibition of primitivism.

But African sculpture, though largely locked up in ethnological museums, has proved its durability, and Mr. Segy's new book serves the purpose of defining and proving its esthetic merit.

The author (himself a noted artist and a distinguished critic) does this by a detailed examination of the cultural background, the ethnologic deviations, and the social functions of African Sculpture.

Studies Basic Concepts

He digs very deep into basic concepts — animism, fetishism, magic, sacrifice, mythology, — and thereby infuses with understandable meaning the rich traditions of African life.

He does this while at the same time, he has of necessity to touch upon the social history of what he calls the "style regions," French Sudan, Liberia, the Ivory Coast, the Gold Coast, Nigeria, Dahomey.

And on still another level, Ladislas Segy deals with the sources of emotions in the minds of African natives. In short, the book approaches its subject in the great critical tradition followed by Sainte - Beuve and John Ruskin.

It does not always make exciting reading for the layman, but it makes informative reading, so that the Westerner discovers as he reads that his resistance to the semi - abstract African forms is being overcome by increasing knowledge.

Their True Worth

And long before the end (as the author in the beginning warns we must) we have forgotten "the naturalistic-conventional - symbolic associations" and are beginning to take the forms of African art at their intrinsic worth.

And what is this intrinsic worth? Basically, the expression of basic human emotions; the provocation of varied responses in the true beholder; the beauty of its exotic forms; the unrestricted expressiveness, by means of which the African sculptor gives another dimension to "natural" freedom.

But **African Sculpture Speaks** is something more than a work of criticism and history. It contains many full-page illustrations of the principal pieces in European and American museums. These serve as a "pictorial guide," and these alone open a new world of wonder and beauty to the Western eye.

Our African Heritage In Sculpture

Across The

Bridge Table

With ROBERT MATTHEWS

North Dealer
North South Vulnerable

NORTH
♠ A K Q 10 9 2
♥ 7
♦ K 10 7 2
♣ 5 4

EAST
♠ J 7 5
♥ J 6 2
♦ 5 4
♣ A K 7 3 2

WEST
♠ 3
♥ 10 5 3
♦ 9 8 6 3
♣ Q 10 9 8 6

SOUTH
♠ 8 6 4
♥ A K Q 9 8 4
♦ A Q J
♣ J

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♠	Dbl.	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	6 NT	Pass
7 ♠	Dbl.	7 NT	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: King of clubs

"Have a little faith and trust" might be the title of this week's piece, for the North-South pair in this week's hand earned a costly set-back for lack of it.

Most novices when employing one of the ace-asking conventions, forget one major factor. "The person initiating the convention, shall decide the final contract."

This point can't be emphasized too strongly and if followed will probably solve a lot of those after-the-hand discussions that start with "Well, partner, I didn't think . . . ."

I was sitting in the West seat when the fiasco described in this week's hand took place. The North player was a person with a penchant for over-aggressive bidding.

South on the other hand was a "middle-of-the-road" conservative.

The bidding started innocuously enough, North, holding 15 points in high cards and distribution, properly opened one spade, East passing and South jump-shifting with three hearts, although his hand was a trifle shy of the book requirement.

In sonorous tones, North initiated the Gerber asking-bid convention with a call of four clubs. East, knowing of the North player's proclivity to make every hand a slam hand, doubled to suggest a lead to his partner.

South dutifully announced his two-ace holding with his four spade call, whereupon North demanded a count of the kings by his four no trump call.

After discovering only one king in the South hand, through South's five diamond bid, North properly contracted for a small slam in spades.

It was here that South suffered a mental lapse. Knowing of his partner's aggressiveness, he tried to rescue with a six no trump bid.

An amazed North, realizing that East's double of the four club bid probably meant strength in that suit, tried to pull the irons out of the fire with a seven-spade call which a grinning East doubled.

Completely ignoring all storm signals and warnings, South tightened the noose around his neck and sprang the trap door by calling seven no trumps.

East-West rattled off five club tricks before a stunned South could draw a breath.

Moral: "If you are going to use the conventions, read the small print too!"

Intelligence

An office manager was asking a girl applicant if she had any unusual talents. She said she had won several prizes in crossword puzzle and slogan-writing contests.

"Sounds good," the manager told her, "but we want somebody who will be smart during office hours."

"Oh," said the girl' "this was during office hours."

FORTUNE TELLER

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2 3 4 5 6 7

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N	O	E	T	E	R	I	E	N	T	O	R	T
g	o	v	k	e	w	c	s	e	o	s	a	a
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O	R	I	T	E	N	R	I	N	E	O	T	E
p	f	i	n	i	o	a	d	p	t	p	v	h
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i	e	o	t	l	l	i	e	h	t	r	n	e
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LAFF OF THE WEEK

"Listen, Pop—a certain unreasonable character here keeps insisting I spent next month's allowance . . ."

Lonesome Hearts

By ALBERTINE ASHE

If you would like to correspond with a Lonesome Heart, write a short letter to me, giving full particulars about yourself and the person you'd like to meet. Sign your correct name and address to all mail. Enclose 50 cents in coin and stamped, addressed envelope for publishing, forwarding for each address wanted or general handing:

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NERO

DEE CEE GUY

A man 26, employed, likes sports and a nice time; sincere and dependable, wants a real nice g.f. 20-26 living near Washington. I want some one understanding, entertaining, true and passable.

HARLOW

WRITE TO CARLO

I'm a brown-skinned man, 40, employed, and can give a dependable woman a good and pleasant life. I want someone 25-35, light brown, can have one well behaved child.

CARLO

WORKING BACHELOR

I'm a hard working bachelor, 29, wanting to meet a nice woman 23-25, who likes clean sports, is nice looking and likes nice things. I need someone so we can begin looking toward the future now.

BACHELOR

HANDSOME DAVE

I want to meet some nice young girl, 18-20, nice habits, who likes outdoor life. I'm a young fellow, 21, dark and handsome, employed and willing to marry if the right one answers.

DAVE

EX-SOLDIER

I am a young man, 22, 5 feet 10, dark, ex-service man, and a Christian, looking for a true Christian woman, 20-22, who is sincere and true, will like my type, and will write.

ROOSEVELT

LONELY WIDOW

I am 37, a lonely widow, brown-skinned, interested in helping others, and I would like to meet an intelligent man, 37-44, good clean sober habits, someone who wants real companionship.

LENNIE

SHE'S KINDHEARTED

A kindhearted woman, 45, brown-skinned, who likes church, and the better things in life wants to meet an honest, sober, sincere man around 46, who enjoys church and things in general and wants companionship.

ETHELEEN

SHE LOVES LIFE

I'm an honest, sincere woman, who wants a real understanding companion around 53. Someone who loves life, clean living and anxious to begin life and reap its benefits.

ANXIOUS LUE

DIVORCEE LANA

I am a divorcee, 41, brown-skinned, 5 feet 5, intelligent and nice, hoping to meet an intelligent man 37-45 tall, brown and fair, who likes the better things. Someone living near New York.

LANA

WILLING TO MARRY

I am a widow, brown-skinned, 55, not bad looking, a real Christian lady wanting to meet a nice brown-skinned man 55-57, tall, true and able to care for a wife.

SADYE

SHE'LL SHARE

A Christian woman, 50, 5 feet 2, medium brown, neat and understanding, also employed. I want to meet a real gentleman 50-55, color not important, employed or in business. Someone willing to share and share alike.

COOKIE

YOUNG WIDOW

I am a widow 35 with two lonely children. I like church; clean living and fun and I would like to meet a nice fellow 40-50 who will be a sincere father and a real companion to me.

HARRISON

Arithmetic

ADD:
318 and 096
ADD:
411 and 024
SUBTRACT:
06 and 54
MULTIPLY:
75 and 10
DIVIDE:
330 and 996

You Can't Change Love

By Glynis St. John

HELENE was a cheat. In all the story books she had read, the girl who met the fascinating and charming hero always decided she loved him, and promised to marry him, before she found out he was a millionaire or a famous writer or something. With Helene it hadn't worked that way. She had found out that Gary Williams had inherited a huge farm down in Texas somewhere and right after that she decided she was in love with him. She felt like a cheat. It would have been much more romantic and glamorous if they had eloped, she believing him to be the irresponsible, poverty-stricken playboy he pretended.

3 Min. Short Story

Helene pulled the navy blue picture hat onto the back of her head and lifted her chin. Well, she thought, you can't change love, no matter what.

She went out. Gary was waiting for her in the lobby.

"You look marvelous, darling!"

He offered his arm. She was conscious of staring eyes as they walked through the lobby. She suspected that a good many of those stares were envious. Why not? That was only natural. There were girls in the lobby who had known Gary all their lives.

It amused her to think how she had met him only two short weeks ago. She, a schoolteacher, had come to Ocean Bluffs for her vacation. She was crowding the whole three months this year into three weeks, so she could stay at the fashionable Ocean Bluffs House, and live like a lady.

Met At Tennis

She had met Gary the second day. She had been playing tennis and a badly served ball hit him. That was the beginning. They played several sets together. They had had dinner that night. They had danced later. They had motored into the country the next day, and played more tennis the next and swam and hiked along the beach.

When she had seen that the affair was getting serious she had decided to be honest about herself. That much was to her credit. She had told him, a little fearfully, about her past. And the truth was, he had seemed relieved. He had admitted that his own circumstances weren't unlike her own. He really couldn't afford to stay at Ocean Bluffs, but all his friends were there and he hoped to pick up a little money on the side as a professional tennis instructor.

Helene had been disappointed. She was honest about that, too. She had believed that any one who stayed at Ocean Bluffs was fabulously wealthy. But, thinking about it now, she had decided it didn't really make any difference.

Learning about the farm had been purely accidental. There had been a telegram waiting for Gary yesterday when they returned to the hotel. She couldn't help seeing it the way he held it in his hands.

It was that evening that he proposed, and she had accepted.

Gary stopped his car on a high bluff above a rocky shore, a spot that was familiar to both of them. For a moment he sat staring soberly toward Provincetown Light, vaguely outlined on the horizon. He said presently:

"Helene, there's something I want to explain. You've probably heard talk around the hotel about my inheriting a big ranch." He laughed shortly, nervously. "Please don't put any stock in it. The farm hasn't been worked for years. It isn't worth a nickle."

A little chill ran up and down Helene's back. She forced a smile. "I hadn't heard any talk of a ranch," she heard herself saying. Which was true.

"Good!!", Gary exclaimed. "I wanted you to know the truth. I haven't any profession, except tennis. I haven't any job. I—I'm not much of a success — now. With you I feel I can lick the world. But I want to be fair. I want you to know what you're stepping into. There's still a chance to change your mind, if you want."

Helene caught her breath. Well, well, well!! Just like the story books. Here was her opportunity to be a martyr a hero. Here was the test. No gold mines. No job. Just Gary.

Family Problems

By ANNE MORRIS

Dear Anne Morris:

My family is having difficulties with my aunt.

My mother's sister and her husband were married right after he was out of medical school. So she spent the most of her life working along with him, and living the very conservative life he ordained.

Four years ago he died, and my aunt came in to a sizeable fortune. Now she seems bent on doing all of the things she missed in her youth.

Now, Miss Morris, we are not trying to interfere with her life, too much. But my aunt is more than 60 years old.

Some of us feel that, for instance, her interest in a man 20 years her junior will lead only to her unhappiness.

Which of us is right? Those who wish to point out the traps that may await her, or those of the family who say that if she stands to gain even a few days of happines, that what she does is right?

(Mrs.) A. P. P.

Dear Mrs. A. P. P.

You must remember that a 60-year-old woman is not exactly in her dotage.

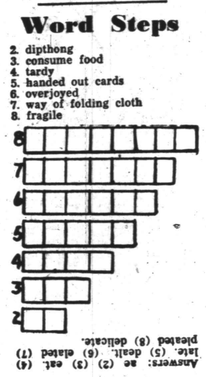
You must also remember that your aunt has had many years to determine what she would like to have out of life. Evidently she has missed many of her wants.

Evidently too, what someone is disturbed about is what your aunt will allow to happen to her money. It seems to me that the family should be more concerned with making her happy than with deterring her from what she thinks will bring her happiness.

ANNE MORRIS.

Word Steps

2. dipthong
3. consume food
4. tardy
5. handed out cards
6. overjoyed
7. way of folding cloth
8. fragile



Answers: ae (2) (3) eat. (4) late. (5) dealt. (6) elated (7) pleated (8) delicate.

CELEBRATING Twisters

Puzzling Plurals

The plurals of words ending with the letter "O" have a way of puzzling some of us. How many of these plurals do you know?

1. Piano.
2. Mulatto.
3. Echo.
4. Domino.
5. Contralto.
6. No.
7. Torso.
8. Tomato.
9. Cello.
10. Motto.
11. Armadillo.
12. Cargo.

All In The Family

Here is a family matter you might be able to settle. It seems that in the Johnson family, each daughter has the same number of brothers as she has sisters as he has brothers. Now, can you tell how many sons and daughters there are in the Johnson family?

ANSWERS

PUZZLING PLURALS: 1. Pianos. Mulattos. Echos. Dominoes. 5. Contraltos. 6. Noes. 7. Torsos. 8. Tomatoes. 9. Cellos. 10. Mottos. 11. Armadillos. 12. Cargos.

ALL IN THE FAMILY: There are four daughters and three sons.

Picture-taking isn't a new experience for Bobbe Lauren Griggs and her brothers Terry Leslie, 2½, and Kenneth Stephen, 18 months. Doris and Robert Griggs have kept a picture record of the children ever since Bobbe was born, four and a half years ago.

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Dr. Harold A. Haynes, assistant superintendent of D.C. public schools, will preside at the opening meeting of the conference, set for 10 a.m., Thursday. It will be devoted to discussions on business education and careers for youth.

At 2:30 p.m. on Thursday there will be a panel discussion on sources of business loans and finance, with emphasis on FHA-insured financing of housing projects and loans to business establishments.

J.H. Wheeler To Preside

Among the prominent business executives who will be heard at this session will be:

J. G. Ish, president of the National Negro Insurance Association, and official of the Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company; M. C. Martin, president of the National Bankers Association and the State Bank of Danville, Va.; M. Stewart Thompson, president of the American Savings and Loan League and secretary of the Home Federal Savings and Loan Association of Detroit; E. R. Merrick, vice-president and treasurer of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company of Durham; and Dr. J. E. Walker, president of the Tri-State Bank and chairman of the board of the Universal Life Insurance Company of Memphis.

J. H. Wheeler, president of the Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham, will be presiding officer.

Public Mass Meeting

A public mass meeting will take place Thursday night, with speeches by Walter Williams, under-secretary of commerce, and Doctor Walker. Music for this meeting will be furnished by the 679th Air Force Band and the Euphonic Chorale.

Human relations in business will be the topic on Friday morning's meeting, which is scheduled for 10 a.m. Speakers will include:

J. Henry Smith, director of public relations for Tuskegee Institute and secretary of the Tuskegee Federal Savings and Loan Association; J. Harvey Daley, director of personnel administration for the Giant Food Stores; and Robert R. Reed, executive secretary of the Georgia Negro Chamber of Commerce in Atlanta.

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Friday afternoon's session, starting at 2:30 p.m., will deal with the colored market, with Samuel Whiteman of the R. Mars Contract Company serving as discussion leader. Discussing the colored market and market research and advertising, will be:

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The annual banquet of the conference is to take place Friday night at 7 o'clock in the Tropical room of the Dunbar hotel.

Earl Dickerson, Speaker

George C. Fleming, local insurance executive, is chairman of arrangements for the banquet which will feature an address by Earl B. Dickerson of Chicago.

The closing session of the conference will take place on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock when awards will be announced for outstanding achievement in unusual business enterprises.

Sightseeing tours are set for Saturday afternoon between 1:30 and 5:30.

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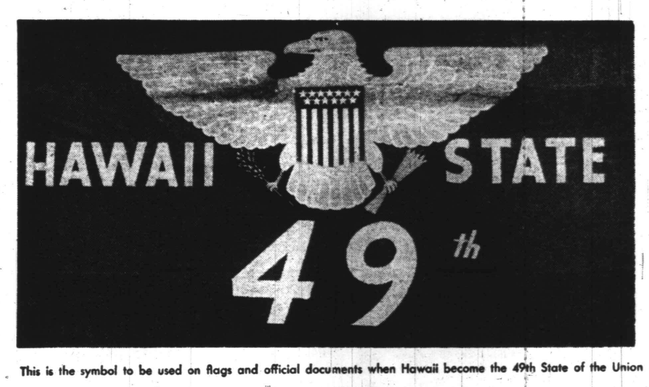

This is the symbol to be used on flags and official documents when Hawaii become the 49th State of the Union

Will Congress Keep Its Promise To Hawaii?

49th state would have largest non-white population and would provide Civil Rights Senator.

(This story gives the viewpoint of Hawaiians on statehood as seen by Frank Marshall Davis, a writer who moved from the mainland to make his home in the "Paradise of the Pacific."

By FRANK MARSHALL DAVIS

HONOLULU (ANP) — If congress lives up to the campaign promises of both major political parties and admits Hawaii as the 49th state, this will be the only commonwealth under the American flag with a preponderantly non-white population.

Of the approximately 469,000 residents of the seven inhabited islands comprising Hawaii, only 69,461 are Caucasian, according to the latest census figures.

This is a decline of 7.7 per cent from a year ago. The white population has been going down steadily since the end of World War II.

Whites have never constituted a majority of the population. The influx of civilians from the Mainland for war-time work in the early 1940's swelled Caucasians into the largest single group on the islands, but even then they were at best not more than approximately 38 per cent of the whole.

Opponents of statehood know these facts. They know also that the largest single group here is of Japanese ancestry, numbering 189,219. Part-Hawaiians are next at 80,211. In fourth place, after Caucasians, are 62,936 Filipinos. Then come Chinese, 32,139; pure Hawaiians, 12,433; Puerto Ricans, 10,752; Koreans, 7,302, and all others, 4,385. The latter includes an estimated 1,000 colored Americans plus Samoans, East Indians, etc.

Dixie Fears Them

Dixie senators, looking at the figures, realize that statehood for Hawaii might mean the end of the upper house as an exclusive club for white gentlemen.

The 49th state could conceivably send two Japanese to the U.S. senate. Being colored, they might strengthen those forces seeking passage of civil rights legislation.

For that reason, colored Americans have a special interest in statehood for Hawaii. There is also more than passing curiosity about the welfare of a potential state which has an overwhelming non-white population.

The truth is, however, that while most of those living here are tired of taxation without representation and want full equality as a state with the rest of the U.S., there is a sizeable and powerful element opposed to statehood.

These opponents are primarily old Caucasian families and Hawaiians. This opposition is principally on racial grounds. But to understand this, you must know some of the complexity that is Hawaii.

Minority Rules

Although whites are numerically a minority, they control the economy through a group known as the Big Five.

This Big Five owns the sugar and pineapple plantations and dominates the shipping lines and hotels. Non-whites can rise only so high in the Big Five which still has things pretty much its own way despite the ascendancy of independent business enterprise, both Caucasian and non-white.

Many Big-Fivers prefer the continuation of the present colonial set-up rather than face the changes which would come about through statehood.

It must also be remembered that there are inter-group tensions in this "Paradise of the Pacific." Some antagonisms are the result of attitudes brought from other lands; others have been skillfully nursed by whites as a means of maintaining power.

Many Hawaiians intensely dislike Japanese. Their opposition to statehood is based on the supposition that the Japanese, because of their voting strength, would be able to send their own to congress to represent Hawaii. The Hawaiians wouldn't mind whites being elected, but Japanese, no!

Racial Tensions

Some Chinese hate Japanese because of the recent war; there is strong feeling in certain quarters against Filipinos and Puerto Ricans.

Because of these tensions, there is no certainty that non-whites would be even a majority of any senators and representatives sent to Washington from the State of Hawaii.

Quite likely any senators from the 49th state would support civil rights legislation. Hawaii, incidentally, has no laws against discrimination although such measures are introduced at each session of the Territorial legislature.

Each business place decides for itself the issue of discrimination, with the result that some public places and landlords bar certain groups and accept others. However, the issue here is not as sharp as on the Mainland.

Colored Americans, as might be expected, are viewed with mixed reactions by local people. Many have formed their opinions only from the usual stereotypes of press and radio and through prejudiced whites.

At the same time, since they are non-white, many islanders are ready to accept them on a purely ethnic basis.

Oddly enough, even though there is hostility by non-whites as a whole toward whites, the local people are inclined to more readily accept a colored man who is first accepted by whites.

Those islanders who have spent time on the Mainland are quite conscious of jim crow and know that it often hits them as