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PROPOSED REMARKS

Duke Ellington Concert Drop-By, New York City, April 29, 1976

I know this evening of music composed by Duke Ellington is going to be as beautiful as this cathedral itself.

I'm one of the many, many fans of his music, which will live as long as music is played.

(and I truly appreciate the spiritual quality of it)
I grew up with the sound of jazz ~~X~~ studied its influence on dance ~~and~~ and continue to love it.

Although jazz is uniquely American, its appeal is international. How grand to combine a tribute to Duke with a benefit for Cuttington College! This concert reaches across the ocean in a way I'm sure would please the Duke.

Thanks for letting me stop by. Do have a wonderful time.

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Ellington Concert Drop-by, April 29, 1976

I just know this is going to be a fabulous evening of music. Duke Ellington's music will live as long as music is played.

I'm one of the many, many fans of his music. I grew up with the sound of jazz, and its rhythm and ~~xxx~~ style still fascinate me.

Although jazz is ~~xxxx~~ uniquely American, its fans ~~xxx~~ are international. It's great to ~~think~~ *combine a tribute to* *with a benefit for* ~~that Duke's sacred music will help~~ Cuttington College, which is such a special educational ~~z~~ center for West ~~Africa~~ Africa.

I do wish I could stay ~~xxxxxxx~~ for this special concert in this beautiful cathedral. Have a wonderful time.

I just wanted to stop by and wish you a marvelous ~~evening of~~ listening to the music of one of American's outstanding composers. Duke Ellington's contributions to music, especially jazz, will live as long as music is played.

I love ~~jazz~~ jazz---it is so ~~uniquely~~ uniquely American. I grew up with the sound of jazz, and its rhythm and style ^{still fascinate} ~~continue to intrigue~~ me.

It's so great to think that Duke's music will help Cuttington College, which is ~~making~~ such a special educational center ~~in~~ for West Africa.

I wish I could stay. Thanks for inviting me to say hello. Enjoy!

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Thanks for ~~xxx~~ letting me stop by. Do have a wonderful time.

Kay

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 20, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: PETER SORUM
FROM: SUSAN PORTER
SUBJECT: Addition to "1600 Pennsylvania Avenue"
Action Memo

Mrs. Ford will make the following drop-by prior to her attendance at the LBJ Grove benefit performance of "1600 Pennsylvania Avenue" with Mrs. Johnson:

212-9800
421-9800
EVENT: "Ellington Is Forever" Concert
To Benefit Cuttington College in Liberia

DATE: Thursday, April 29, 1976

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Cathedral Church of St. John the Devine
111th and Amsterdam Avenue, New York City

CONTACT: Mr. Joe Morgan 387
O: (212) 867-8400 ext. 309
H: (212) 586-3963
Desk: (212) 246-5252 ext. 508

COMMENTS: April 29th is being declared "Duke Ellington Day" by Governor Carey and Mayor Beam of New York. The Duke Ellington Orchestra with Mercer Ellington conducting and the Hampton Choir in memory of Duke Ellington will present a special concert to benefit the only independent liberal arts college in Sub-Sahara West Africa: Cuttington College in Liberia. CBS will be filming the evening for their archives and to send around the world. There are presently no scheduled showings of it however. Background material on the concert and on Cuttington College is attached.

The concert people are aware of Mrs. Ford's very tight schedule and that she be at the Mark Hellinger Theatre promptly at 8:00 p.m. The driving time between St. John the Devine and the Theatre I understand is at least 15 minutes. Mrs. Ford should arrive at the Cathedral about 7:10 or 7:15 where she will be met by the

presiding Bishop. Everyone will be seated and the evening will begin at 7:30 sharp. Immediately after welcoming everyone, the Bishop will introduce Mrs. Ford from the audience and Mrs. Ford will respond with brief remarks. She will then depart the Cathedral on route to the Mark Hellinger Theatre. The file is attached.

Thank you.

C: BF Staff
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Rex Scouten
Staircase

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 12, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: SUSAN PORTER

FROM: JOHN CALHOUN *JC*

Recommend acceptance by Mrs. Ford of this event.

Attachments



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Cable Address: FENALONG, N.Y.

1:30

April 9, 1976

Mr. John Calhoun
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Calhoun:

I enclose materials describing the benefit concert, "Ellington Is Forever", on April 29th, and we very much appreciate your help.

(212) 867-8400, x 309, 310

I told Joe Morgan you called and we look forward to hearing from you on Monday.

Sincerely,

private (only for enclosure)
H: (212) JU6-3963
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x508

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Concert Organizer

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"ELLINGTON IS FOREVER" CONCERT TO BENEFIT AFRICAN COLLEGE

Governor Carey and Mayor Beame are proclaiming Thursday, April 29th, 'Duke Ellington Day' and The Duke Ellington Orchestra with Mercer Ellington conducting, Sarah Vaughan, Joe Williams and The Hampton Choir will get together to honor the memory of Edward Kennedy Ellington, America's greatest composer/conductor.

This concert will be held at 7.30 p.m. in The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, the largest gothic cathedral in the world, and will benefit the only independent liberal arts college in Sub-Saharan West Africa.

Cuttington College, Liberia was chosen for a much needed endowment and scholarship drive by the Episcopal Church's Executive Council, because of its unique situation among the world's institutions of higher learning. The school combines all traditional academic disciplines with the development of skills especially needed in Third World countries. Part of its special nature lies in the fact that African students from other countries in Africa are eligible for grants.

Ellington's LIBERIAN SUITE will be featured, marking the first time it will have been played in toto, since its premier in Carnegie Hall in 1947. In addition to Duke Ellington's internationally known compositions and selected from his sacred music concerts, his newest

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suite, THE THREE BLACK KINGS will provide material for the soloists and the choir.

Tickets are available at all TICKETRON outlets and from the Episcopal Church Center, 815 Second Avenue. A general admission price is \$5 and reserved seating is \$10. Tickets are tax deductible.



NATIONAL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The second in a series of reports on the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund from John T. Fey, national chairman.

APRIL, 1977

Dioceses, Foundations support Cuttington Crossroads Fund

Several dioceses and foundations have responded to the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund, the \$3.1 million drive began last fall by the Episcopal Church's national Executive Council in behalf of Cuttington College, the only 4-year private liberal arts institution in sub-Saharan West Africa.

The money will be used to provide an endowment and also for much needed operating capital and a development program.

Pledges and contributions from Episcopal dioceses received to date include \$18,600 from the Central Gulf Coast, \$15,000 from San Joaquin, \$2,000 from Quincy—through St. Paul's Cathedral, Peoria, Ill., \$10,000 from Western Massachusetts and \$5,000 from Ohio.

The Western Massachusetts pledge is from the Second Mile Fund of the diocese. The money will be used for a chicken house and pig house at the college to enable the school to breed its own livestock and generate income.

The Diocese of Vermont has adopted Cuttington as one of its Lenten objectives and has designated Dr. John T. Fey, national chairman of the Cuttington Crossroads Campaign, as head of its fund raising effort. Dr. Fey was formerly president of the University of Vermont.

In addition to the support from Episcopal dioceses, several foundations have also pledged to the Cuttington effort. Grants of \$50,000 from the Booth-Ferris Foundation, \$35,000 from the Inglewood Foundation, \$20,000 from the Chase-Manhattan Bank International Foundation and \$20,000 from the Episcopal Church's United Thank Offering have been received.

Grants of \$40,000 from Trinity Parish, New York, \$20,500 from St. Thomas Church, New York, \$10,000 from St. Stephen's Church, Richmond, Va., and \$5,000 from Christ Church, Wilmington, Del., have also been received.

Presiding Bishop John M. Allin, one of the Honorary Campaign Chairman, said he was deeply appreciative of the fine support shown the Cuttington Crossroads Fund by these organizations. He said he hoped the months ahead would provide new opportunities for others to join in support of the church-related African college.

A word from the national chairman:

I wish I could say that we are in sight of our goal, but unfortunately I cannot. Since my last report in November, we have updated our pledges from \$700,000 to approximately \$900,000.

It is difficult to plead before an American audience the cause of a small college located thousands of miles away. Also, many people know so little about Africa and some have been misinformed.

I firmly believe Africa is a strategic place in the world of today with tremendous promise for tomorrow. We must work for peace for all African nations and for education and a bright future for all African youth.

By contributing to Cuttington College you are doing your share to make this dream a reality.

Sincerely,

John T. Fey



The late Duke Ellington and retired Episcopal Bishop Horace W. B. Donegan of New York worked closely on many community projects during the late Duke's lifetime. The Duke Ellington orchestra has given sacred concerts in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, and in Grace Cathedral, San Francisco.

Duke Ellington Orchestra concert to benefit Cuttington College

Supporters and friends of Cuttington College are especially invited to be among the large crowd expected to pack the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City for a concert by the Duke Ellington orchestra on April 29.

The concert has been arranged by a group of friends and associates of the late Duke Ellington to honor his memory on his birthday and also to benefit Cuttington. Joe Williams, Sarah Vaughan, the Hampton Choir and other big names from the music world will get together for the event in New York City's largest Cathedral, located at 1047 Amsterdam Avenue.

Under the banner "Ellington is Forever" the concert will feature Mercer Ellington conducting the late Duke's orchestra. Among the Ellington-style music to be featured will be *The Liberian Suite*, marking the first time it will have been played in toto since its premier in Carnegie Hall in 1947.

Sponsors of "Ellington is Forever" include Presiding Bishop John M. Allin of the Episcopal Church, Dr. William R. Tolbert, President of the Republic of Liberia, Miss Ruth Ellington, Mrs. Margaret Bush Wilson, chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Rev. John Gensel of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, New York, Congressman Charles Rangel of New York, retired Episcopal Bishop Horace W. B. Donegan and Mayor Abraham Beame.

Admission tickets at \$10 for reserve seats and \$5 general admission are on sale at the Office of Development at the Episcopal Church Center, 815 Second Ave., New York, 10017, and from Ticketron.



Dr. William R. Tolbert, President of the Republic of Liberia, is shown making his personal pledge to the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund. More than \$250,000 has been pledged to the drive by the Government of Liberia and \$250,000 has been pledged by the alumni of Cuttington and the people of Liberia.

We need your help!

Luncheons and dinners have been held in several cities in various dioceses at the invitation of clergy and bishops. These meetings are most important since few people are acquainted with Cuttington and so many people are uninformed about such far-away places as Liberia.

If you can gather together a group of interested people, our staff is prepared to put on an "African Night" with a film and sound effects. It will make for an interesting evening and may attract people who might support Cuttington.

Among the first responders to the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund were the members of the Episcopal Church's national Executive Council, official sponsors of the drive, as well as the Executive Council staff. Council members pledged \$11,800 and the staff has pledged \$10,600. Contributions are still being received from both groups.

First National City Bank grants four Cuttington Scholarships

Four 1-year scholarships for seniors majoring in Economics at Cuttington College have been made available by the First National City Bank of New York. One of the scholarships will be awarded each year between 1976 and 1980.

The scholarships will provide total cost of tuition for a full year at Cuttington, including accommodations, board, instruction and books. Scholarship recipients will also work at the First National City branch bank in Monrovia, Liberia, during their vacation period, enabling them to earn extra money and gain practical experience in the field of Economics.

John T. Fey, national chairman of the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund, said he is delighted with this response by First National City Bank to the appeal, citing it as an example of how academic instruction and practical experience are often combined as part of the Cuttington educational method.

A variety of printed materials giving complete facts about the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund can be obtained from Marvin C. Josephson, Executive Director, at 815 Second Avenue, New York, N.Y., 10017. A 21-minute 16 mm sound color motion picture that tells the Cuttington story can be ordered from the ROA Film Exchange, 1696 Astor St., Milwaukee, Wisc., 53202.

Several new members added to National Committee

Some recent additions to the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund national committee include Dr. Kenneth B. Clark of New York City, psychologist and educator; Col. Alfred M. Worden of Florida, astronaut; Charles B. Rangel of New York, a member of the House of Representatives; Judge G. Mennen Williams of Detroit, former Governor of Michigan; The Honorable Dorothy I. Height of New York, a noted social worker and educator; and Hugh Downs of Phoenix, broadcaster and former host of the NBC *Today* show.

National campaign chairman is Dr. John T. Fey, chairman of the board, The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States. Honorary campaign chairmen are Dr. William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, Presiding Bishop John M. Allin of the Episcopal Church, the Rev. John B. Coburn, bishop-elect of the Episcopal Church's Diocese of Massachusetts and Mrs. Margaret Bush Wilson, chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

In case we have not yet heard from you

As the acting "Board" of Cuttington College in the United States, the Episcopal Church's national Executive Council does not have the resources to mount a full-scale campaign throughout the Church in behalf of the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund. Direct solicitation is, of course, being made of many groups within the Church, including the bishops, Executive Council members, Church Center staff and others. We are also asking some Foundations to consider an investment in the future of free education in Liberia through the Crossroads Fund.

Our decision not to have an expensive nation-wide campaign does not mean that we are not interested in receiving pledges from individuals. If you are interested and want to help, we invite you to join us. Just fill out the pledge card printed below and send it to the Cuttington College Crossroads Fund, 815 Second Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017. Your interest and help will be appreciated. Your contribution is tax deductible.

CUTTINGTON COLLEGE

To assist in strengthening the educational programs of Cuttington College and in consideration of the gifts of others for this purpose, I/we hereby subscribe and agree to pay the sum of _____ dollars (\$ _____) or to give the following securities or other property: _____

Payments will be made over a period of _____ years beginning _____, 197____, on the following basis:

☐ annually ☐ semi-annually ☐ quarterly or as follows: _____

(Signature) _____

Checks should be made payable to The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, 815 Second Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

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the unique opportunity

Cuttington College

Cuttington is not just an ordinary church-related college! It is the only private liberal arts American-style college in sub-Sahara Africa, and therefore is unique among the world's institutions of higher learning. The college is located in Suacoco, Liberia, but part of its special nature lies in the fact that students come from Ethiopia, Nigeria, Rhodesia, South Africa, Uganda, Ghana . . . and indeed other states near the east coast as well as the west coast of Africa. Cuttington is also uniquely important because of its service-oriented contribution to its local environment, integrating education in all the traditional disciplines with the development of many skills and techniques.

One example: Paramedical Services

An excellent example of Cuttington's relevance is the paramedical service provided for 30 outlying villages within a 50-mile radius of the campus. Since Cuttington has the only four-year baccalaureate nursing program in West Africa, it is the only institution equipped to meet this growing need. Cuttington-trained personnel also serve as professional nurses, x-ray technicians, midwives and health counselors throughout the rural areas.

Who's Who

A roster of Cuttington graduates reads like a "Who's Who in Liberia." Included are a former president of the nation, its present vice-president and Chief Justice, its Ambassador to the United Nations, a president of the World Bank, as well as 50% of all doctors in Liberia and 99% of all the nation's registered nurses. Both the Methodist and Episcopal bishops in Liberia are Cuttington graduates.

High Standards

As a residential college, Cuttington has entrance requirements similar to those in the United States, including College Aptitude Tests and the General Certificate of Education. Even though its standards are high, Cuttington has more qualified applicants than can be admitted. Present enrollment is held to 350 students, with a projected five-year increase to 420. The Cuttington library is considered one of the best of its kind in all of Africa with 66,000 volumes.

The Divinity School

In addition to its other unique achievements, Cuttington has a Divinity School which graduates clergy who minister to Liberians and other Africans. The present Episcopal Bishop, a hereditary tribal chieftan, is a graduate of Cuttington, as is the present Methodist Bishop.

The Unique Opportunity

Cuttington, as we stated at the outset, is not just an ordinary church-related college. It provides us all a unique opportunity to improve an institution that already has much to commend it. Cuttington desperately needs \$3.1 million to continue to serve West Africa, educate Africans from other nations who seek knowledge and truth in an atmosphere of academic freedom, and thereafter, expand its work.

Liberia is America's oldest friend and the oldest republic in Africa. Africa represents a significant segment of the Third World population. Supporting Cuttington College in Liberia is an excellent way for Americans to underscore this friendship with our sister republic in Africa.

For further information call or write the Executive Director,
Cuttington Crossroads Fund, 815 Second Avenue, New York,
New York 10017 Telephone: 212-867-8400 ext 220

Kay

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 20, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: PETER SORUM
FROM: SUSAN PORTER
SUBJECT: Action Memo

Mrs. Ford has accepted the following out-of-town invitation:

EVENT: Performance of "1600 Pennsylvania Avenue" with
Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson
To Benefit the Lyndon B. Johnson Grove in Washington

DATE: Thursday, April 29, 1976

TIME: 8:00 p.m.

PLACE: Mark Hellinger Theatre
51st and Broadway, New York City

CONTACT: Louise Snyder
O: 363-4417
H: 270-2795
Fiance's: 224-3318

COMMENTS: Mrs. Ford will travel to New York to attend a benefit performance of "1600 Pennsylvania Avenue" for the LBJ Grove in Washington. She was personally invited by Mrs. Johnson to attend. Following the performance will be a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Krim at 33 East 69th Street. A guest list is attached. Because Mrs. Ford will have a very busy day the next day and because the performance does not begin until 8:00, I would suggest that her attendance at the reception be little more than a drop-by. (FYI, Mrs. Johnson will be attending a dinner preceding the play at the Rainbow Grill. Although Mrs. Ford is specifically invited, I gather this will be mostly the Johnson family, former Johnson Cabinet members, etc.) Molly Parness is chairman of the evening but Louise Snyder is doing most of the nitty-gritty. Liz Carpenter is also involved.

NOTE: April 29th has been declared Duke Ellington Day by Governor Carey and Mayor Beam of New York. A benefit concert to be taped and televised later will be held at 7:30 at Cathedral Church St. John the Devine. As of this writing, we are working to determine whether Mrs. Ford can participate in some way.

Mrs. Ford will remain overnight in New York and will fly to Indiana Friday morning for some campaigning prior to returning to Washington Friday evening. The file is attached.

Thank you.

c: BF Staff
Red Cavaney
William Nicholson
Bill Gulley
John Calhoun
Rex Scouten
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The LBJ Memorial Grove on the Potomac

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invite you to join

MRS. LYNDON B. JOHNSON

for a benefit preview of

the Alan Jay Lerner and Leonard Bernstein musical comedy

"1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE"

starring

Ken Howard

with

Gilbert Price

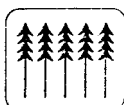
Patricia Routledge

Directed by FRANK CORSARO

Produced by ROBERT WHITEHEAD and ROGER L. STEVENS

Thursday, April 29, 1976, 8:00 P.M.

Mark Hellinger Theatre



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The LBJ Memorial Grove on the Potomac

Unique among presidential memorials is the park overlooking the Nation's Capital honoring the 36th President, Lyndon B. Johnson, who served in the U.S. Congress and the White House for 32 years.

"All my life I have drawn sustenance from the rivers and from the hills of my native state . . . I want no less for all the children of America than what I was privileged to have as a boy," embodies the late President's thoughts on the environment, and is one of four LBJ quotations used in the Grove.

The simply designed 15-acre grove of white pine trees, flowering rhododendron, azalea and golden daffodils with a large, roughhewn granite rock at the center is located along the Potomac River in Lady Bird Johnson Park in Washington, D.C.

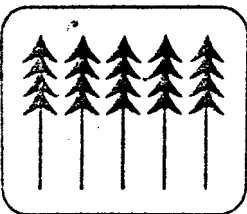
"It is my hope that with its trails and benches, its plantings and bowers of trees, the Grove will become a people place. I hope, too, that its view—spanning the whole of Washington's skyline—will inspire visitors to greater citizen participation," Mrs. Johnson said when the site was chosen.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - January 23, 1976

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Memories -- the happy times and the tense moments in the White House -- will highlight the evening when Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson is honored at a benefit preview of "1600 Pennsylvania Avenue," in New York on April

"The White House is not simply the home of the President. Its rooms, its furniture, its paintings, its countless mementos make it a living story of the whole experience of the American people, the habits and the hopes: the triumphs and the troubles and the bedrock faith of our Nation," the former First Lady once said to visitors at the White House.

The final pre-production performance of the new musical comedy by Alan Jay Lerner and Leonard Bernstein will benefit the LBJ Memorial Grove. This 15-acre grove of evergreen and dogwood trees, flowering rhododendron and azalea, and walkways along the Potomac River in the Nation's Capital is in memory of the 36th President.

On the third anniversary this month of LBJ's death, the Grove Committee needs approximately \$250,000 to complete its \$2 million goal. All funds, thus far, have been raised through private contributions ranging from \$1 - \$100,000 at P.O. Box 5557, Washington, D.C. 20016.

The Grove is 92 per cent completed and plans are to open it early this Spring for Bicentennial visitors, according to Nash Castro, chairman of the LBJ Memorial Grove Committee.

The New York gala to help complete the fundraising campaign will be held at the Mark Hellinger Theater at 8:00 PM on April 29, 1976. Tickets for the performance are priced from \$40 to \$125 for the orchestra and \$125 for the mezzanine, with a portion tax deductible. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Gillette Boland, 40 E. 68th Street, New York, N.Y. 10021

Some members of the New York Benefit Committee include Mollie Parnis Livingston, chairman, Vice President and Mrs. Nelson Rockefeller, Governor Hugh Carey, Mayor and Mrs. Abraham Beam, Senators Jacob K. Javits and James L. Buckley, former Mayor and Mrs. Robert F. Wagner, Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mrs. Charles W. Engelha, Mrs. Albert D. Lasker, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krim, Mr. and Mrs. John Loeb, Mr. and Mrs. Laurance S. Rockefeller, Mrs. Edwin I. Hilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Strauss.

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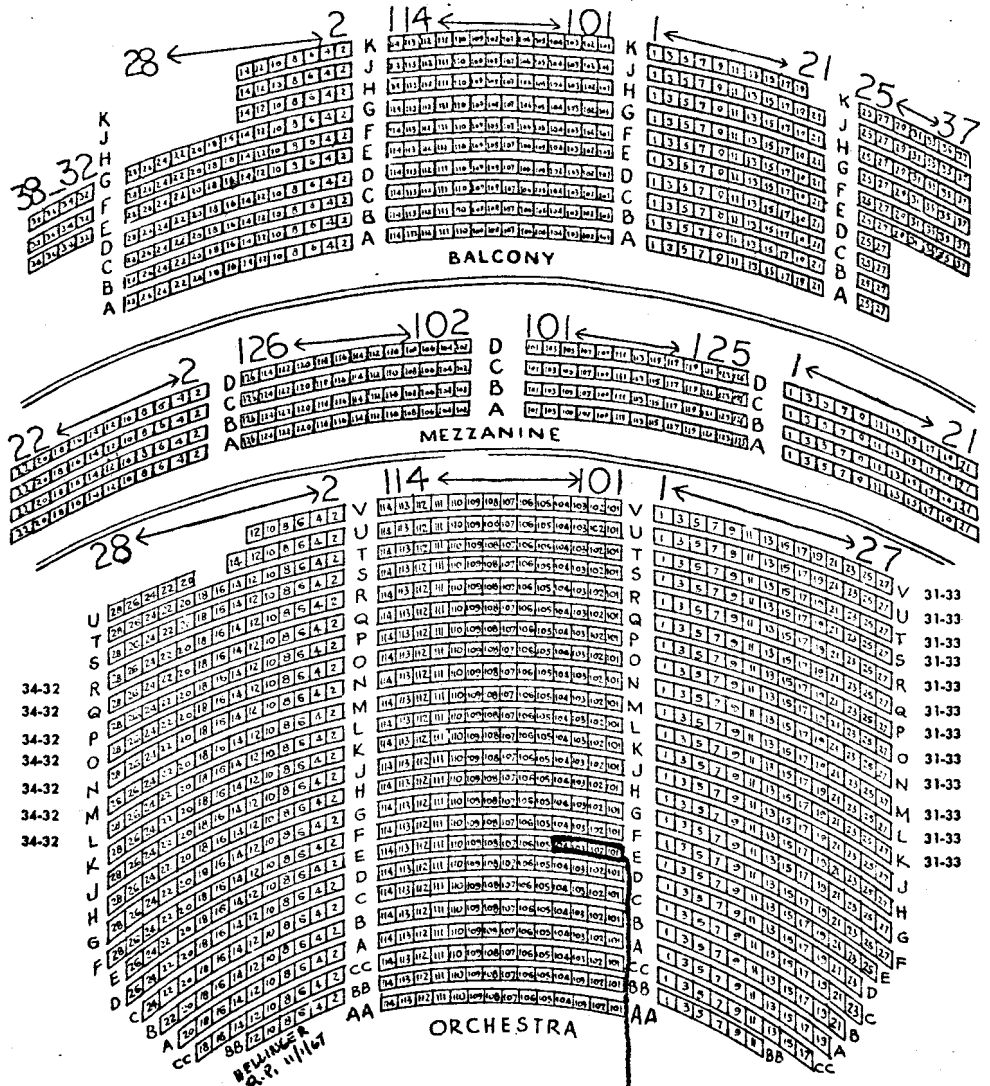
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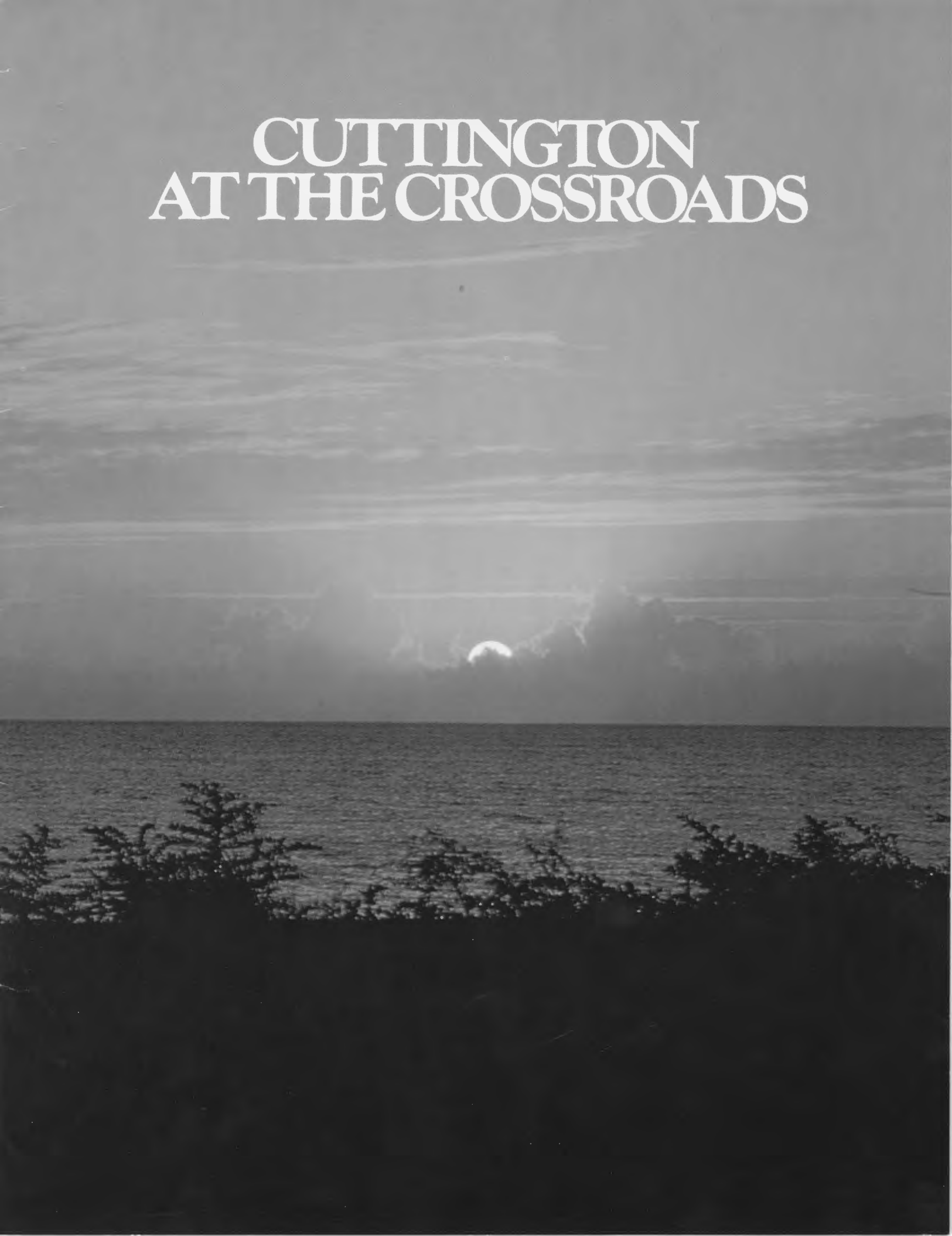
The attached guest list for the Krim party is not a complete one. The figure before each name indicates how many guests that individual will take to the performance of "1600 Pa. Ave." and then to the Krim party. Each person purchased enough tickets for their guests and we have no way of knowing who these people (guests) are. In the case of 2, it is usually the spouse who is coming.

Please call me if I can be of further help.

Best,

Louise

CUTTINGTON AT THE CROSSROADS



I N OUR NATION

where school enrollment has increased sevenfold in recent times but where only 14 of every 100 first graders graduate from high school, it is most urgent and essential to improve the quality and extend the outreach of institutions like Cuttington College. . . .

If Liberia and Africa are to avoid the potential peril of ignorance and indifference, if the African people are to pass the tests of quality human production, if Liberians are ever again to avoid even one moment of educational bankruptcy, then the friends of enlightenment all around the world must combine in planning for greater educational benefits for a greater number. Those who belong to the inner circle of the patrons of letters must unite their spirits both to widen this circle of sponsorship and to make the educational privileges available to the great masses of mankind. . . .

May you use the good name of Cuttington in the greater name of humanity to cultivate and persuade all men of goodwill to join in this endeavor. . . For this is truly our challenge."



From remarks by William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, at a reception in support of Cuttington College, held at the Chase Manhattan Bank, New York City, November 1, 1974

“President Emmanuel W. Johnson, an outstanding leader, a proven administrator, a man of unquestioned honesty and courage, is in a position of having inherited an institution with an outstanding past and the prospect for a glowing future. He needs financial support.” Dr. Asa G. Hilliard, Jr., Dean of the School of Education, California State University



Rally Hall—new women's dormitory, given to Cuttington College by the people of the Republic of Liberia.

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ROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES & THE PRESIDENT OF CUTTINGTON COLLEGE

As the only independent liberal arts college in all of West Africa, Cuttington faces unique and rather awesome responsibilities. It holds a strategic position in providing graduates who are leaders, teachers and managers throughout the central African continent—a region comparable in size and population to the United States east of the Mississippi.

To perpetuate our concept of human solidarity, these graduates embody our college tenet: *holy and wise*. Holy, in the sense of being worthy and pure in heart; wise, in the sense of functioning in the service of mankind. Yet we have, of course, been practical about this philosophy for we are well aware that in the battle of ideas it is the workable ideas that win. So we have examined the emerging manpower needs of our region, and modified our liberal arts curriculum by adding other disciplines to meet these needs. As a result, our programs in health, business administration and research are unique for our region.

This academic approach has proven successful, generating an enrollment increase of more than 80 per cent in three years. During that time, however, there has been no increase in the space for classrooms, dining or faculty housing. Our efforts to cut costs to the bone have held the increase in expenditures to some 10 per cent during this period, less than half the rate for small colleges in the

United States. Even so, the pressures of rising enrollment and expenses now place Cuttington at the crossroads. Our resources are no longer equal to the opportunities and demands that lie ahead.

Thus, we turn to people of compassion and goodwill everywhere for support of the program described in the following pages. In this carefully drawn master plan lies the best hope that Cuttington *will* take the right turn at the crossroads.



Left
The Rev. Canon Emmanuel W. Johnson, LLD, President

Right
The Rt. Rev. George D. Browne, D.D., Episcopal Bishop of Liberia, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

T HE CONTINENT AND THE COLLEGE

Africa—an awakening giant. How many realize that Africa has 50 per cent more people than all of North America?

Where is the leadership of Africa? It is only beginning to emerge, but one thing is certain: Liberia, the oldest republic in Africa and America's best friend, is exerting strong influence. And the spot in Liberia where tomorrow's leadership is being trained today is Cuttington College, that place in the world where the Episcopal Church is having the greatest impact on the life of a nation.

origin and growth

Cuttington, originally opened in 1889, has been located for the past quarter century on 1,500 fertile acres at Suacoco, Bong County in central Liberia. The gently rolling terrain of its campus contains fifteen main buildings and several residences, with a total value of some \$9 million. Beyond the campus lies farmland with high development potential.

As a residential college, Cuttington maintains entrance requirements similar to those in the U.S., including College Aptitude Tests, General Certificate of Education, and (for Liberians) the National Examination. Most students are Liberians who have received their train-

ing in private Episcopal schools, although one-fifth of the student body comes from more than nine other African countries. Because enrollment is presently held to 360 students—with a projected five-year increase to 420—the College must turn away many qualified students each year.

The Cuttington faculty is committed to building a center for independent education and through that to serve as a prototype of the small college in developing countries. The interracial faculty comes from a half dozen countries and is equally divided between Liberians and Americans. Beginning with a Ford Foundation grant in 1965, followed by U.S. foreign aid funds and teaching Fulbright scholars, faculty quality has been raised to a high level. Four-fifths of the faculty now hold advanced degrees and a quarter of these hold the Ph. D.

liberal arts plus professional training

African problems cannot be solved by graduates with a simple liberal arts education. Nor can purely vocational training produce the articulate and innovative leaders that a liberal arts education develops. So the College's program is designed to educate responsible yet

"Cuttington, a church affiliated college, is eminently qualified to produce young men and women with strong moral character who will be leaders in their fields of endeavor in Liberia and elsewhere in Africa." The Hon. Bernard Reverdin, Director, Friends of Cuttington, and Chief Counsel to Liberian Services, Inc.

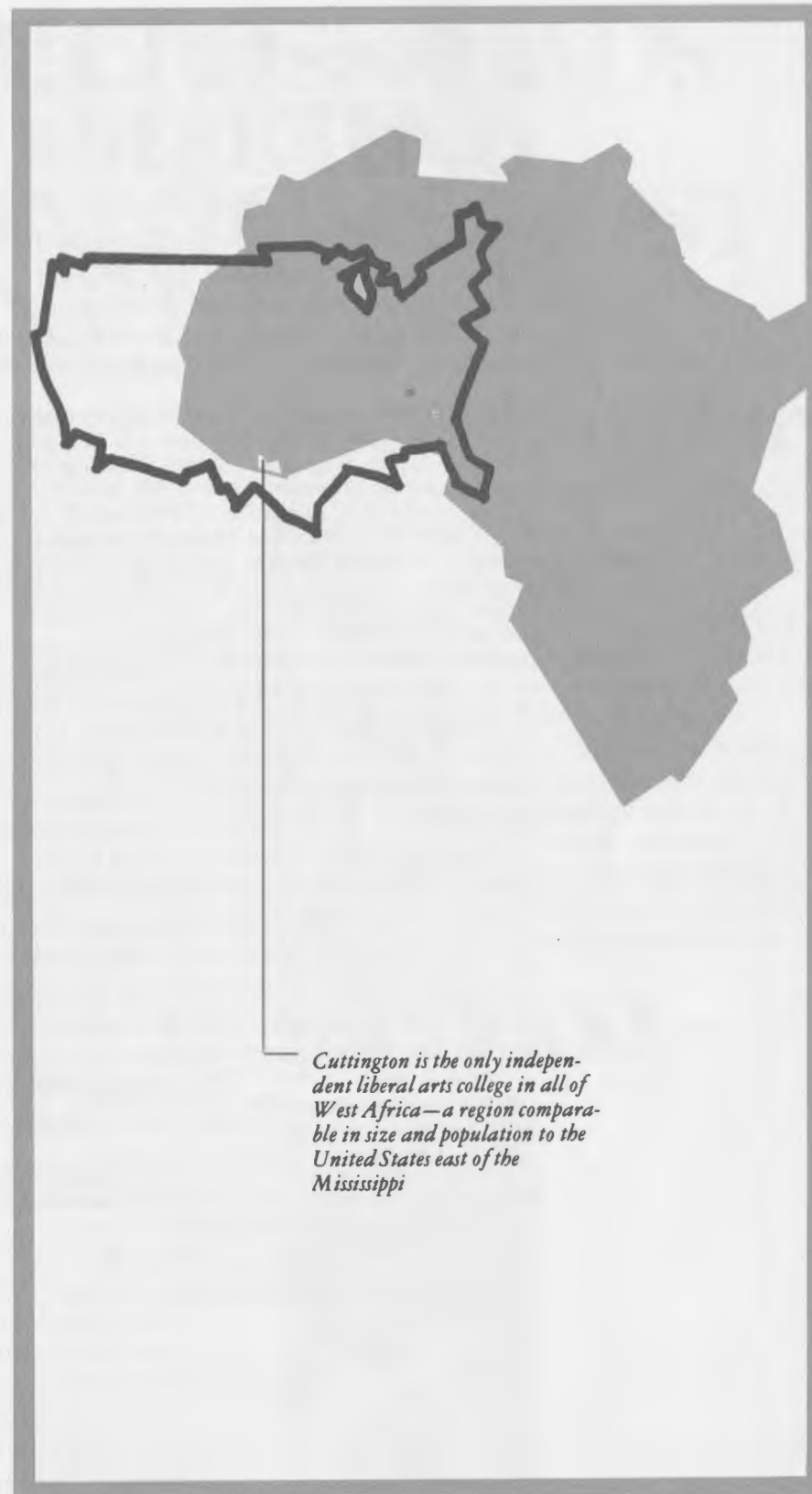
capable people by requiring an initial two years of broad concern in the liberal arts and a final two years of specialized work, often involving practical outreach to local communities. One example is the agriculturist so important to the African economy.

Another prime example of this approach is our four-year baccalaureate nursing program, unique in West Africa, which takes paramedical services out to 30 villages that lie within a 50-mile radius of the campus.

Cuttington-trained personnel serve as professional nurses, X-ray technicians, midwives, and health counselors throughout the rural areas. Health care delivery, one of the major problems confronting the medical profession today, has made a strong start in Liberia.

the leadership record

The best proof of any college's achievement lies in the history of its graduates. This is particularly true in Africa today where college graduates constitute a small, crucial and decisive segment of the population. Yet, despite Cuttington's limited size, its list of outstanding graduates is a large one. It includes not only those serving in Liberia as attorneys, business executives, clergymen, educators, financiers, physicians and government administrators and legislators, but also those in international service. Because of this record, employers asked last year for more graduates than Cuttington was able to produce.



Cuttington is the only independent liberal arts college in all of West Africa—a region comparable in size and population to the United States east of the Mississippi

some distinguished alumni of cuttington college

"There can be no question about the reputation of Cuttington College and its alumni and the important role they are already playing in Liberian development."—*from the report of the Overseas Liaison Committee, American Council on Education.*

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HE CROSSROADS FUND = MEETING CUTTINGTON'S MOST URGENT NEEDS

Success of the Cuttington program to date can assure the College a pivotal place in Africa's future, provided momentum can be maintained. This very success, however, has created crippling points of stress in the College's program. Cuttington can no longer accommodate increased enrollment without enlarging learning and living facilities. It can no longer attract and hold superior teachers without meeting competitive salary standards. And it cannot continue to develop a self-sufficient plant without further investment in farm and other support systems.

For these reasons, Cuttington is undertaking the first 3-year development program in its 85-year history. The CROSSROADS FUND is aimed at building an endowment to assure income for specific faculty and student purposes, and securing capital funds to enlarge and maintain its educational plant.

endowment funds

At present, Cuttington has no endowment at all. Since average student costs are \$1,800 per year and tuition only \$700, endowment funds must be accumulated to fill at least part of this gap. These funds would serve four purposes:

1 pension plan

Cuttington wants and needs a higher percentage of native Liberian faculty. A major obstacle is lack of a pension plan comparable to that held by exchange professors from the U.S. and personnel of foreign firms operating in the area. Since the Liberian government has no Social Security system similar to that in the U.S., retired people are thrown back into the "extended family" situation which served a developing country but is unsuitable today for educated persons. Hence, a first objective is to establish a pension system that will attract and hold Liberians and provide a dignified retirement for them.

\$500,000



2 faculty salaries

Faculty salaries now range from one-third to one-half of those paid for equivalent positions in the U.S. These salaries must be augmented if the high quality of the faculty is to be maintained under increasingly competitive conditions. The faculty salary scale must be increased sufficiently for the College to vie for superior teachers with other African colleges and universities which are government funded.

\$350,000

3 named professorial chairs

Should be created in each of our six departments to attract outstanding scholars who can build centers of academic excellence in their disciplines. These will function, in turn, to attract other younger teachers seeking the experience of working with outstanding professors in their fields of interest.

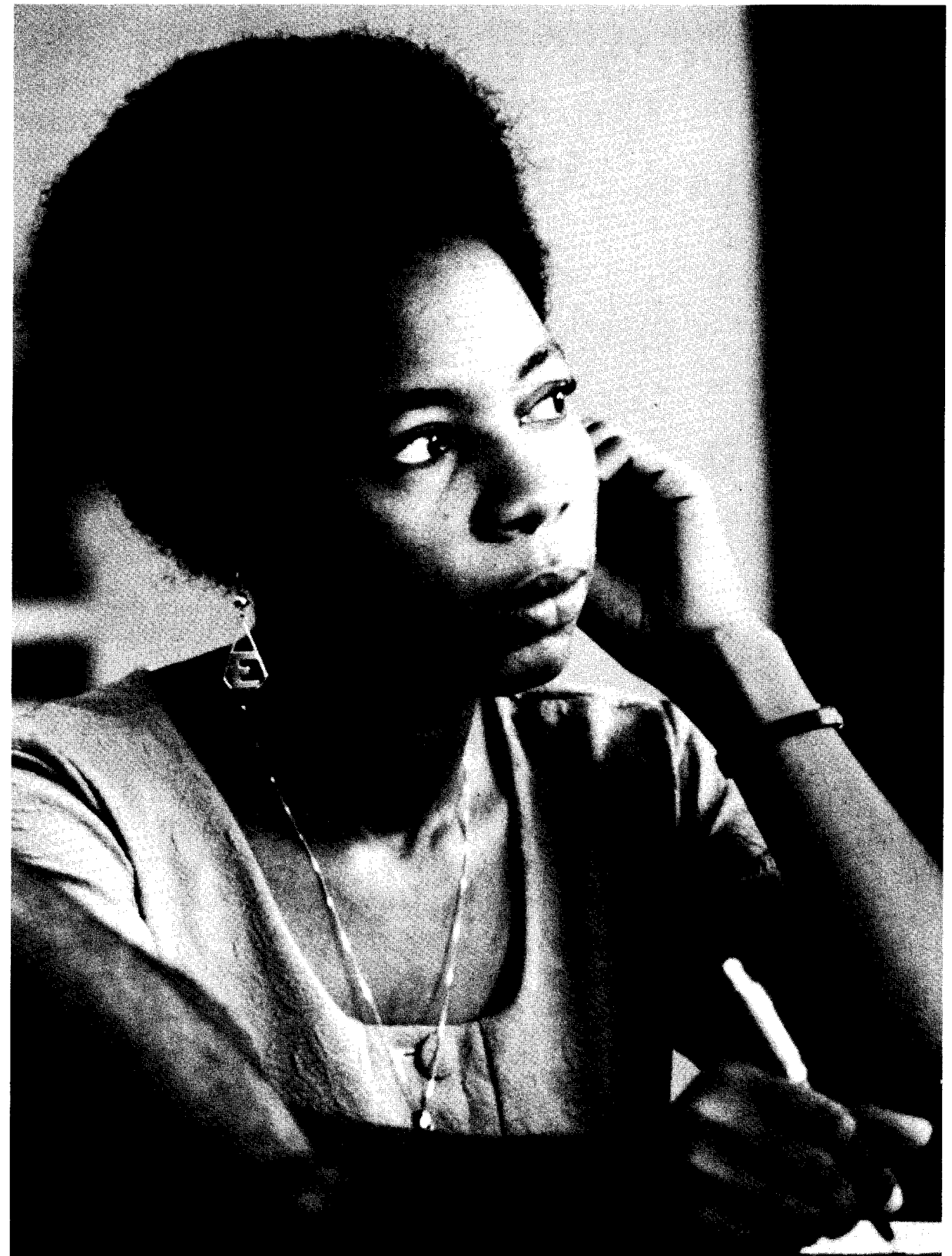
\$810,000

4 student aid

These funds presently come from the operating budget, and amount to half the total needed to offer scholarships for highly qualified students who cannot afford tuition. Notable is the fact that per capita income in Liberia is only \$250 per year. Under our work/study program, these scholarship funds have the effect of relieving our operating budget, since our scholarship students work out their aid in the library, science laboratories, offices and dormitories. A student aid fund should be established whose income will double our present expenditure. Such a fund will also permit the College to attract more students from other African countries so as to broaden and enrich student body life.

\$240,000

"In Sub-Saharan Africa, just below the line of drought and famine, this missionary college operates a demonstration farm, teaching improved methods, digging wells, imparting skills, developing indigenous leadership." William M. Matthews, Investments, New York and Donor to Cuttington.



"Comprehensive undergraduate education, of such superior quality as to qualify degree-winners for the best graduate schools of Europe and North America, is an academic achievement of Cuttington." Dr. Peter Sammartino, Chancellor, Fairleigh Dickinson University; Formerly of the Fulbright Commission

capital funds

These would serve three purposes:

1 construction

Classrooms and housing are major needs of the highest priority on our campus. Present classroom space is completely inadequate to cope with an increased enrollment amounting to 80 per cent over the past three years. Plans for a new classroom building call for one especially designed and equipped as a Center for Teacher Education, another as a Center for Business Education, and five other general classrooms.

\$222,000

As a fully resident college, Cuttington must provide additional housing not only for its increased student body population, which is now heavily overcrowded in the dorms, but also modern housing for its faculty which offers a reasonable retreat from the tropical climate. Plans call for eight new units of faculty housing composed of two duplexes and four single houses, as well as a dormitory for men and one for women, each housing 50 students. All of these facilities are sorely needed and could be constructed and furnished at approximately one-half the stateside cost.

\$463,550

2 support systems

The College can move toward self-sufficiency in its food supply by increasing its current farming of rice and palm oil to include another 400 acres. Much of our present farm equipment, however, is obsolescent and insufficient. A water purification system and a modern electric generator plus other support equipment is needed to assure the campus of an adequate supply of potable water and emergency electricity.

\$250,000

3 renovation

Three older buildings—the dining hall, Humanities Building and Science Laboratories—all need to be refurbished and equipped to meet modern standards. In addition, the dining hall must be enlarged to cope with student body growth.

\$200,000

"Delivery of health care in rural West Africa, through a system of travelling teams on weekly visits to thirty stations, and the schooling of nursing and paramedical people, is only one of the thrusts of Phebe Hospital at Cuttington." Dr. T.H. Bonaparte, Dean of the Graduate School, Pace University, New York City; Fulbright Scholar

THE CROSSROADS FUND, CUTTINGTON COLLEGE, IMMEDIATE NEEDS

ENDOWMENT NEEDS	\$1,900,000
Faculty Pension Fund	\$500,000
Faculty Salaries	350,000
Faculty Chairs (6)	810,000
Student Aid	240,000

PLANT NEEDS	\$1,156,550
Construction	
Classroom Building	\$222,000
Faculty Housing	200,550
Men's Dormitory	131,500
Women's Dormitory	131,500
	\$685,550

Support Systems	
Farm Equipment	\$110,000
Electric Generator	90,000
Water Purification	50,000
	\$250,000

Renovation and Repair	
Dining Hall	\$100,000
Humanities Building	50,000
Science Laboratories	50,000
	\$200,000

Architect's Design Fee	21,000
TOTAL NEEDS	\$3,056,550

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- academic
- activities
- athletics
- housing

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planners



An architect's dream of what the Cuttington College campus might be in ten years.

THE KEY ROLE OF LEADERSHIP

Since the goal of \$3,056,550 for the CROSSROADS FUND is the largest sum Cuttington has ever sought, it will be important to explore support for the FUND very carefully, a step at a time. The first question is whether or not this amount can be raised in a single concerted effort. The answer, of course, rests with the relatively few individuals, companies and foundations who are being asked to consider the level of their participation at this time.

Only if the leaders in the Church and in West Africa respond to the very best of their abilities will this program succeed. A few individuals of leadership stature must come forward, providing an initial fund that will testify to their own deep commitment to the needs of the College and to the future of West Africa.

The importance of leadership giving has been proven over and over in campaigns of this size. In fact, the record shows that about 10 per cent of all donors must account for 80 to 90 per cent of the total received. This fund raising fact of life is particularly true for a College like Cuttington which cannot rely upon a large and affluent alumni body for support.

The scale of gifts shown here spells out these requirements in realistic terms. You will note that contributions of five figures and up are the very heart of the program.

You are asked to give this scale thoughtful study when considering your part in the CROSSROADS FUND. Your decision at this early stage of the effort can make the crucial difference for Cuttington!

SCALE OF GIVING NEEDED TO SECURE \$3,056,550

Number of Gifts	In the Range of	Total
1	\$500,000	\$ 500,000
1	300,000	300,000
1	250,000	250,000
4	100,000	400,000
6	50,000	300,000
12	25,000	300,000
25	10,000	250,000
50	5,000	250,000
75	3,000	225,000
150	1,000	150,000
All others below	1,000	131,550
		\$3,056,550

M EMORIAL GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

The CROSSROADS FUND offers exceptional opportunities for donors who would like to add a personal dimension to their gift by linking it with a name they choose to honor, or by making possible some project of special interest.

A memorial gift may perpetuate the name of a family, a friend, a business

firm, or some individual who symbolized the highest ideals of Christian education. All such gifts will have lasting recognition in the form of inscriptions, plaques, or other permanent records, with wording that expresses the donor's wishes. A partial list of memorial opportunities follows:

	Per Year for 3 Years	Total Gift
New Construction		
Classroom Building	\$83,333	\$250,000
Six Individual Classrooms	8,333	25,000 each
Men's Dormitory	50,000	150,000
Women's Dormitory	50,000	150,000
Eight Faculty Houses	8,333	25,000 each
Renovation		
Dining Room	33,333	100,000
Auditorium	16,666	50,000
Endowment		
Six Departmental Chairs	45,000	135,000 each
Eight Scholarships	10,000	30,000 each



These are parents of Liberian youth (left). Some of their sons and daughters are receiving an education at Cuttington that will further improve the quality of living for all Liberians. (right)

"Cuttington College is that place in the world where the Episcopal Church is having the most profound effect on the life of a nation." Dr. Arthur Ben Chitty, President of the Association of Episcopal Colleges



Dear Friends:

In the CROSSROADS program, we are undertaking together the largest single funding of a missionary effort in the history of the Church. It is also, I believe, one of the most timely and compelling. The struggle of African peoples to turn a mere subsistence economy into a productive and self-reliant way of life has caught the imagination of Christians everywhere.

Cuttington is not asking for alms. It is a going concern with a proud record of achievement. Cuttington *is* asking for our help in providing the tools of modern education—adequate classrooms, laboratories, housing and equipment; funds for worthy salaries, pensions and scholarships. In the United States we tend to take these benefits for granted. In Africa they have yet to be realized.

By furnishing educated manpower and womanpower, Cuttington contributes to the leadership of Africa far out of proportion to its size. Given the working tools it urgently needs, it can do more than its share to overcome the problems of hunger, indignity and injustice that have plagued the world's second-largest continent for so many centuries.

You who receive this report have the opportunity to accept stewardship responsibility in this great venture of Christian mission. With your help, it cannot fail.

Sincerely,



The Right Reverend John M. Allin
PRESIDING BISHOP OF THE
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

NOTES FROM AN INTERVIEW

On a trip to Cuttington College, Dr. Arthur Ben Chitty, President of the Association of Episcopal Colleges, interviewed a student.

Q. Is this your first year at Cuttington?

A. No, I am a sophomore, twenty-three years old.

Q. Do you live near here?

A. My village is eighty miles to the northwest.

Q. Did you come by bus or catch a ride?

A. There is no road. I walked.

Q. You must have worn out a pair of shoes.

A. No, I tied the laces and carried them around my neck.

Q. How many of your family have come to college?

A. None. I am the first.

Q. How many brothers and sisters do you have?

A. There are eighteen of us. My father has four wives.

Q. How did you happen to get to Cuttington?

A. The Holy Cross father from Bolahun came when I was ten years old and said to my father that he should send one of the children to school. My father picked me and I began my education then. When I finished the mission school, I came to Cuttington.

Q. Have you made good grades?

A. Yes, I was third in my high school class and here I have made A's and B's.

Q. What do you plan to do when you finish college?

A. I hope to be a doctor. I will try to go to America to complete my studies.

Q. What will you do when you finish?

A. I will return to Liberia and either work at a country hospital or at the Kennedy Center in Monrovia. My science professor tells me there are 50,000 people in Liberia for every doctor.

Q. How will your education in the USA be financed?

A. Sometimes the U.S. government helps us and sometimes the Liberian government.

Q. I congratulate you on your success and wish you well.

A. Thank you, sir.



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