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CLARENCE CAMERON WHITE

409 EDGECOMBE AVENUE, NEW YORK 32, N. Y. ADIRONDACK 4-2805 Allen Friend - Thank you for Jun kind letter. I have sent In Carrier the material Im algoristed + I hope That Whe shoay find something of inttitut. I wish that some one not the could be interested had a fine one cess at the Met here on May 27 then will you be back East.

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MUSICAL COURIER JULY 1956 Fostached to letter 22 Oct 1956

Yeromushka" by Moussorgsky, Leoncavallo's "Mattinata," and Broggi's "Vision Veneziana." His diction, in each language, was excellent, and he sang everything with conviction. Coming too late to review, the second half of his program included works by Sepulveda, Grenet, Lecuona, and Irma Morillo. A predominantly Spanish audience greeted their countryman time and again with Latin exuberance. R. H.

METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE

"Ouanga," The National Negro Opera Company, May 27, E—This is a Haitian opera written 28 years ago by Dr. Clarence Cameron White, with a libretto by John Frederick Matheus. Telling the story of the first king of Haiti and the fight for independence in 1802, the opera contains many op-

portunities for powerful scenes. Some of these are realized. Most effective is the fine choral writing in the coronation scene in Act II. The music is traditional in idiom, romantic in spirit, earnest, and massively and richly orchestrated. There are engaging melodic passages and dance sequences with throbbing voodoo rhythms. K. H.