

NEGRO SAILOR DECORATED FOR CONSPICUOUS BRAVERY

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crashed among the 34 planes parked on the flight deck ready for take-off. The crash started large fires among the Bunker Hill's planes before the Japanese plane skidded over the side into the water. His bomb passed thru the flight deck and out the side of the ship, exploding in the air before it hit the water.

Seconds later a "Judy", a single-engine dive bomber type, sped in on the ship from astern. The plane was struck by a five-inch shell, and smaller projectiles from the Bunker Hill's anti-aircraft batteries, but it continued its attack and dropped a 500-pound bomb, which penetrated the after flight deck and exploded in the gallery deck immediately below. This plane crashed on the flight deck at the base of the island structure.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT FATAL TO DINING CAR EMPLOYEE

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Court. Mr. Bland and Mr. Lee Shephard, 3228 S. W. First Ave., dining car waiter and cook on the S. P. & S. R. R., were among the most serious injured at the time of the wreck, both being badly burned about the body as the result of being scalded when a stove in the observation diner tore loose, releasing steam under pressure.

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their feelings. With the world shrinking in size because of improved communications, colored peoples everywhere are becoming more and more conscious of discriminations practiced against them.

It is dangerous stupidity for the white race not to realize that the upward surge of the colored races for their place in the sun will not be too long denied. The race problem is the world's next headache unless the present war produces racial justice.

However, not all of the whites' refusal to see this question in its proper light comes from stupidity. Part of it comes from sheer cupidity. White imperialistic nations, eager to exploit colored peoples, are anxious to retard their social advances as long as possible.

White China and India alone representing nearly a billion people, one can foresee what will happen when they are fully aroused in a racial struggle.

And aroused they certainly will be, for the Japanese are vindictive. Even though thoroughly defeated and perhaps demilitarized, Japan will seek not only vengeance but also opportunity to escape her punishment by increasing her campaign to arouse the world's colored millions against the white race.

If she can show those colored peoples who were loyal to the United Nations' cause that they have been bilked of the justice promised or hinted in exchange for their rejection of Japan's pleas for a racial jihad, she can foster a hatred which could rock the world.

The day has come when white leaders must do much more than periodically utter pious mouthings about man's brotherhood. The colored world now wants to see some real progress in racial justice.

Yet, until the racial intolerances of the British Dominions can be eradicated, there is small hope that Britain will take a positive stand for racial justice, although, as head of the world's greatest empire, she can practically make or unmake the situation.

In the U. S. we find a strange paradox. With the majority

of Americans sincerely interested in justice for oppressed peoples outside the nation, they refuse justice to colored minorities within the nation.

Much of the colored world looks to the U. S., as democracy's leading exponent, to lead the march against racial prejudice; yet this nation cannot constantly do so while it practices racial injustice itself.

The solution to racial intolerance lies in true religion. Christianity teaches that mankind is one great family—brothers united under God's common fatherhood. It teaches the unity of this family, not a separatism based upon skin color. Yet it must be admitted that many of the countries which show the greatest racial intolerance call themselves Christian.

Atheistic communism, spreading its vicious tenacles into every nook and cranny, recognizes and practices the racial equality of all men, despite belittling man's dignity in many other ways.

Believing that the pudding's proof lies in the eating, the oppressed and humiliated colored millions may decide that an ideology which denies God, but which offers them relief from racial discrimination is preferable to a doctrine which teaches God's fatherhood of all peoples but whose avowed followers all too frequently fail to practice it.

Christians who practice racial intolerance or fail to take a positive stand against it are slackers in the army of the Church Militant at a time when history's most crucial battle is being waged to determine whether the spiritual or the pagan conception of life will rule the world.

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