

and built comfortable homes only to return home and find it in ashes, the result of jealous, white neighbors.

Hungry

A Negro may have his pocket full of money, but if he is hungry and wants to eat, he fears even to enter the white restaurants. If he is tired and sleepy and wants a night's lodging he knows what a cold reception and what insults he'll get if he asks for a night's accommodation at the average hotel.

It is generally agreed by the dominant group that the colored man is O. K. just so he stays "in his place." Incidentally, the expression, "in his place" covers a multitude of evils and sins of omission and commission. It means he is to accept segregation and keep his mouth shut. It means he is to serve in menial capacities and like it. It means he is cut off from the opportunities given the average white man, and is not supposed to object. It means taxation without representation, disfranchisement, and unfair decisions from the judge. In short, he not only is smacked on the cheek but is almost compelled to turn

the other one to be smacked, likewise.

Jim Crow Religion

Even in religion and the worship of the Supreme Being the colored worshipper rarely ever is permitted to cross the portals of a so-called Christian church. Yet the Nordic ministers, bedecked in holy garb, preach the "Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." The colored brethren are treated more like stepchildren than brothers.

But let us return to patriotism. The Negro has fought in every war America has had and given a good account of himself. In fact, he was the first to bleed and die for American independence from England. Furthermore, the Nordics have ever let it be known that "this is a white man's war." That, however, is always at the beginning, for as soon as things began to get hot they never have failed to invite the colored man to "fight for your country." The same thing was true in the World War: it was to be a gala white affair, but when the mighty von Hindenbergh began to show what he knew about

guns and gases, the Americans soon advised the Negro to "fight for your country, and glorious democracy," which the Negro did, or, at least thought he was doing. Nevertheless, when he returned accompanied by blatant horns and the dear old "stars and stripes," flying in the breezes, he was greeted with the same insults, segregation, lack of opportunities, disfranchisement, lynching and "his place." They even sent his wife and mother over on a dilapidated, segregated steamer to visit the grave in which he lay buried.

Patriotism! How can the colored man have it? How can he, with any heart-felt emotion, say, "This is my own, my native land?" How can he join with Stephen Decatur and exclaim: "My country—right or wrong?" He just can't, because, right here at home, his country is too often wrong.

Missionaries

The whiter send missionaries to China, India, Africa, and other so-called "backward" peoples. Perhaps it wouldn't be such a bad idea to send several battalions of missionaries to the lowlands of ignorant, race-hating

Georgia, or to the backwoods country of intolerant Mississippi, or to the mountainous land of narrow-minded

Tennessee, or, in fact, to any point from Baltimore down.

Patriotism? Why should the Negro have it? He worked and sweated 250 years for nothing. He, by his toil, actually founded and developed the wealth of the South. The hot sun and the sharp whips of the master beat simultaneously upon his black, bare back for two centuries. The Nordic released his beastly, lustful passions upon the Negro slave girl and then hated and lynched the offspring of that illicit union.

Patriotism! Hardly; when babes were torn from the black breasts of

Segregation



What happens to houses in so-called "white neighborhoods" when a patriotic colored family moves in. Does the government protect its citizens or the flag? Here is a house on Oak Street, Baltimore. Photo shows how hoodlums broke windows.



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Was She Patriotic?



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