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INDUSTRIAL COMPETITION BREEDS PREJUDICE

John Haynes Holmes, Noted Lecturer,
Does Not Agree With Booker T.
Washington's Economic Policy.

GIVES SOLUTION FOR
RACIAL PROBLEMS

(By M. Brewer)

Declaring that the economic policy of Booker T. Washington made conditions worse for the Negroes in the South and that the growth of lynching was coincident with the growth of industrial education, John Haynes Holmes, head of the First Community Church of New York, and lecturer par excellence, jolted the conviction of many in the audience of the Ford Hall Forum on Sunday evening. His subject was: "Race Prejudice; its cause and cure." "Race prejudice is not natural to the soul," he said. It is artificial—the result of education and environment.

Continuing he asserted that all children are born devoid of this virus, but are inoculated with it by their parents and teachers.

Negro, Jew and Gentile children have been reared together and it was not until the outward influences had been exerted and contrasts made that their minds showed prejudice in any way.

He pointed out the various forms of prejudice which existed in this country; generally White vs. Black; In Texas, white vs. Mexican; California, white vs. Japs; Boston, Protestant and Catholic. Other forms of prejudices also existed, i.e. Negroes against themselves, and the German Jews against the Russian Jews.

The speaker showed that the principal breaking ground of race prejudice is the different cultural levels upon which different sections of the community live. The difference in racial habits created a psychological disgust. All this tendered to foster race prejudice.

Negroes of the South.

Regarding the Southern Negroes, he said: "From the standpoint of cultural level a great many of them are at a lower level than the majority of white people. They are not to blame for it. They are there because up to the present time they have not been allowed by the



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whites to climb any higher. There lurks the shadow of the inferior cultural status of the slave condition. The solution of this problem of the South is the opening to the Black Man of every cultural opportunity and privilege that is opened to the white man.

Assails Booker T. Washington's Policy

The policy of Booker T. Washington relative to economics made things a little worse in the South. The growth of lynching was coincident with the growth of industrial education. The decline of lynching can be traced to the vast migration movement to the North. It has lifted the pressure of economic competition. Booker T. Washington's statement of giving a better sweet potato that the white man, creates hatred. The white man when he loses the market for his products develops prejudices against his competitor. He cited the Jap agriculturalist in California.

Solution.

He gave a solution of the whole problem; a complete and thorough understanding of the elements involved, the motives at work and the realization of the great dream that the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man is not far away.

A representative body of colored citizens were present.

The Negro Race Needs Leaders

Wisest Colored Men Have Faith in
God and Future, Declares Canon of
Cathedral of Washington.

Preston News Service.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 21st—Anson Phelps Stokes, canon of the Cathedral of Washington, speaking at Howard University, stated that training of leaders is the supreme need of the colored people. He spoke of the "Improvability of humanity", expressing implicit faith in the latent powers of all races of mankind.

"Booker T. Washington, with whom I had a wide acquaintance extending over many years," said Canon Stokes, "once told me he never met a colored man who was an atheist. Men of the Negro race, who are the wisest, are those who have faith in God, in themselves, in humanity and in the future."

He referred to the faith which characterized Sebango, an African graduate of Hampton, now a missionary to Portuguese East Africa, and Wolo, son of the chief of the Kroos, now missionary in Liberia. Of Dr. Aggrey, an African doctor of philosophy from Columbia, now principal of an institute resembling Hampton on the "Gold Coast" he said:

"Here was a man of widest faith in his own people, and of deepest confidence in the people of the white race. No man has done more to interpret inter racial relations than has Dr. Aggrey, because of his unbounded faith in himself and in mankind."

South Gets First Negro Certified Accountant

New Orleans, La., Jan. 21st—B. B. Bratton is the first Negro Certified Public Accountant in the State of Louisiana, and perhaps the whole of the South, it was declared by the State Board of Certified Public Accountants, here, in awarding the former his certificate after he had successfully passed the board examination.

Bratton is at present book-keeper in the office of Hon. S. W. Green, Supreme Chancellor of the knight of Pythias of North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia.

NEGRO FIGHTERS AMONG THE BEST

Associated Negro Press.

New York, N.Y. January 21st—A Brown, Tiger Flowers and Harry Wills are placed next to the champions in their respective divisions according to a list issued by Tex Rickard.

Jose Lombardo, who was knocked out by Kid Kaplin in the elimination contest for successor to Johnny Dundee's featherweight crown, was placed fifth in that division while Chick Suggs, a race lad, who is the bantam and featherweight champion of New England, was not mentioned at all.

The race is not represented in the Junior lightweight division and it is the same in the lightweight and welterweight classes.

The outstanding feature of the whole list is the sensational climb of Tiger Blowers, of Atlanta, Georgia, who is ranked next to Harry Greb, Middleweight champion. Al-lentown Joe Gans is given ninth place in this division.

Although stopped by Tom Gibbons Kid Norfolk is placed third on the light-heavyweight list. He outranked Mike McTigue, who is the world's light-heavyweight champion. Young Stribling, of Atlanta, Georgia, is placed second on the list. Battling Siki is another of the race boxers whose name does not appear in this division.

Among the heavyweights, the name of Harry Wills is placed second on the list. George Godfrey is given eighth place.

In summing up the total of race boxers on the list two are from Panama and five were born in this country. Larry Estridge, who had done much fighting last year, but who was defeated by a man who outweighed him by 12 or more pounds, was not mentioned. A study of the list showed that Tex Rickard is a poor judge when it comes to picking out fighters by their ability.

Colored Justice of Peace

Bordentown, N.J., Jan. 14th—Mr. W. Marshall Morrell of this city has been appointed Justice of the Peace. This is the first time such an honor has been conferred upon a member of the race here. Mr. Morrell is a well known and substantial citizen of Bordentown.