

Dark Merit



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So you're free? Not only are you free, but you treat everyone else like he's free too, don't you? You're a Christian too, aren't you? After all, you go to church every Sunday. You pray at night and you give money to rallies. Those are some of the things a Christian does, aren't they?

Let's put this Christianity to a test. Suppose one of your Christian bretheren of another race attempts to join your church. You're the first one to jump up to say that it's against the church laws to take in a member of another race, aren't you? If that is true, we'd better get together and revise these laws. Who's the lawmaker anyway? I thought God was. I've never read in His great Book where only certain races of people were supposed to unite together to form a church and not let others in. We have to go over our laws and find out whether we have a church or just an organization of aristocrats. If your church is one where only a select few can join, you'd better fling open those doors wide and let Jesus in for the first time.

We're very fair when it comes to business deals, too, aren't we? We sell our merchandise to anyone regardless of race or color, don't we? I wonder, however, if we're that impartial when it comes to hiring personel to work in our place of business. I wonder if we advertised that we need people to work immediately and then when a person of another race applies for the job, we say that we're so very sorry but the job is already taken. We can't get anywhere like that, can we?

We here in Lincoln must wake and do something about our situation. Soon. We'll find that all of our fine young and talented graduates of our wonderful university have gone to the cities where the belief in God is more widespread. You can't tell that by the number of huge beautiful churches and the number of automobiles in front of the church on Sunday. The only way that you can tell that God is anywhere near that city is when you find that people of all races, colors,

and creeds are working harmoniously and happy together. There will be no necessity then to "squabble" about who's to use the swimming pool or what race who will work with because God will be there and you'll be able to see it too.

Shall we forget our racial prejudices for a minute and wish everyone a **HAPPY EASTER GREETING** regardless of race, color, or creed?

Hear The Southernaires

**BOOK CLUB SELECTION
FIGHTS DISCRIMINATION**

New York (ANP) Myths about labor, poverty, and "inferior" races are blasted in "Man Against Myth," just announced by Book Find Club as its April selection. The author, Barrows Dunham, is assistant professor of philosophy at Templo University.

How certain racial myths persist, even in people who believe they have overcome them, is shown by Prof. Dunham in the following typical passage from the book:

"Take, for example, the disfranchisement of American Negroes. Our imaginary antagonist says that he is democratically fond of Negroes, but that he does not think they should vote until they have been educated. Very well, let us admire his democratic fondness.

"But the Negroes will not be adequately educated until they have adequate access to schools. They will not have adequate access to schools until there are adequate legislative appropriations. There will be no adequate legislation appropriations until legislators are elected who will really represent the disfranchised are allowed to vote.

"Thus our friend, in postponing the suffrage, postpones also the education which is supposed to qualify voters for the suffrage. The change he says he desires is one which he has rendered impossible, and cynics may surmise that he never really desired it."

Man Against Myth is causing a sensation. It has been hailed by the scientists Albert Einstein and J. B. S. Haldane, and by Philosopher John Dewey, and the irony and wit with which it is written has drawn applause from the noted humorists Dorothy Parker and Donald Ogden Stewart.

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