

THE RACE PROBLEM

The New Negro Makes a Further Plea for Blacks in the South

To the Editor of The Courant:—

Mr. Bork has summed up conditions in the South perfectly. The white men in the South say the Negro is ignorant; if this is the case who is responsible? The South only of late years has passed laws compelling children to attend school, and insofar as the Negro is concerned, many of the superior people of the South say now, as they have in the past, that this is not good for the Negro.

The truth of the case is that the Negroes when educated, cease to become victims of the dishonest business dealing of their white neighbors. Hence, the latter use the mob to intimidate the colored citizen. It has taken years for the truth to reach the world, but the world knows the South now.

The South with a well planned brand of propaganda has pictured the Negro as being anything but a human being, and many men and women of the white race, lacking a first hand knowledge of what we must observe in order to exist, accept a situation which is harmful to the Negro and also harmful to an era of peace and harmony.

Those of the white race who are friends of my race, those who have contributed articles in defense of the oppressed, have won the good will of all who believe in the Golden Rule. Present day statesmen are making the biggest blunder of the age if they believe that there can be any peace without equity and justice. Any attempt at disarmament when half the world oppresses the other half is but a farce.

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