

Hidden History

The Unsung Saga of the Black Man
as told by



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WHAT IS THE REAL FEELING OF THE GERMAN TOWARDS NEGROES NOW?

"In Hamburg and other German sea-ports are several dozens of Negro sailors married to German women and who have children for them. In Berlin also there was a small colony of Cameroon Negroes, mostly males, who had white wives, and German-born children. One British West Indian student had a son by a German woman, and since neither of them was able to support him, he was handed over to the state. That boy, now fourteen, is probably goose-stepping in some labor battalion.

"On my several visits to Germany, during which I went fairly well over the country, I saw not the slightest sign of color prejudice except from Americans. I spoke to German audiences, including one high school, whose principal was a Jew, and they were shocked to hear of the treatment of the Negro in the United States. In fact, on my first visit to Berlin in 1927, the first Negro I saw was a woman who was walking arm in arm with a white man on Friedrichstrasse. Later in the dance-halls, I saw Cameroon Negroes dancing with German girls. In 1929, when I entered a Berlin cafe, patronized by the more respectable folk, my companion, a Negro, selected the prettiest girl in the place, a Saxon blonde, smooth skinned and rosy faced, whom he had never met before, and engaged her in conversation. She responded the most amiably in the world and later they danced. At one bathing beach where men and women had adopted the Russian and the Japanese habit and bathed together quite nude, I saw several Negroes in the altogether, too. Some Berlin Negroes I knew were married to girls of good family, and their mulatto children were received as one of the family by the grandparents.

"Anti-Negro propaganda hadn't much effect on the older Germans. It is as difficult to imbue a people with color prejudice, especially when there are no Negroes around as it is to rid them of it when once it has been taught them by an older generation. Apart from Hitler, himself, the Negroes at the 1936 Olympics at Berlin were very well treated by the German people. Negro ministers who met at a convention in Berlin about the same year reported most excellent treatment so much so that when they came back and said so they were scolded by Communists. It was easier in Hitler Berlin for a Negro to get service in a hotel or restaurant than in Washington. It is true that Nazis did pull a Negro minister from Africa out of a Lutheran pulpit while he was preaching to a white German congregation, but in 1938, when Adolph Hodge, a Negro school teacher, who conducts an annual tour abroad, wrote Hitler saying that he was bringing a party of colored folk to Germany and asking him how they would be treated, he received a letter from the Berlin Tourist Bureau saying that they would be received with the same courtesy as all other visitors to Germany. The writer took pains to add that the story of the

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EDITORIAL

"GREEDY NEGRO BARBERS CUT OWN THROATS"

NEGRO BARBERS who belong to the local union are going to clip themselves right out of business if they increase the price of haircuts from \$2.50 to \$2.75.

The sepa union barbers, for reasons not so strange, clip the 'suckers' on only one side of the Iron Curtain. However, it is singularly strange that Negroes in any field could humiliate themselves by being a part of "the separate but equal" theory which was destroyed and buried by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1954. That was twelve years ago, but apparently Negro barbers in the local area must think that this theory was intended for schools alone, and not for unions as well.

When any Negro condones the 'separate but equal' hypothesis, he is a traitor to the Civil Rights movement as well as a Judas to the Tall Texan and his dream of "The Great Society".

Any Negro who supports the business of a Negro Benedict Arnold is just as guilty of treason as Benedict, himself, and is deserving of the same treatment imposed upon that traitor.

WE CAN NOT UNDERSTAND how any Negro barber could have joined a local union which has made no effort to place black barbers in lily-white shops. Unless, perhaps, their short-sighted greed for more pay and less work made them willing to humiliate themselves by being a part of something that was out of step with the marchers for freedom who risk their lives to bring Negroes into the fabric of the Great Society.

The American Negro's struggle for first class citizenship involves all Negroes, including barbers. Negro barbers have a moral responsibility here in Las Vegas that is no less obligating than that of the courageous crusaders of Alabama, Mississippi and all the other parts of

the nation.

We should like to have just one Negro barber explain to the local Negroes, how they (Negro barbers) reconcile their part in condoning a rise in the price of haircuts for their brothers who could not afford the price charged before the increase was voted.

We should also like to have our curiosity enlightened by an explanation from one of the tan trimmers as to what benefits he receives from the local union. Perhaps we may not have taken a tour of the entire area to locate a brother barber working in a 'white' shop, but we have yet to see one black face barbering outside of the Westside ghetto.

UNTIL WE RECEIVE some feasible answers to those inquiries, we shall hold fast to the theory that the Negro barbers affiliated with the local union for the prime purpose of justifying themselves in charging prices that they know are out of line with what their Negro customers can afford to pay.

If our reasoning is correct, and we believe it is, we feel justified in the condemnation of our Negro union barbers as greedy Toms who should be boycotted by the entire Negro community. Until such time as our opinions are changed by public explanation on the part of the Negro barbers, we strongly urge every Negro to purchase a 'do-it-yourself' barber kit, and force our greedy community barbers to get in step with the Civil Rights movement.

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ill-treatment of Negro athletes at the Olympic was a falsehood, which it really was, according to the Negroes themselves. Had Hitler occasion to reverse himself on Negroes as he did for a time on Communism, it would have been easy.

GERMAN MEN AND NEGRO WOMEN

"I spoke of the German women and their attitude towards the Negro man, what of the German man and the Negro woman?

"When I said in the American Mercury that I had found the Germans very fond of Negro women, and how when I once entered the famous Hofbrauhaus at Munich with two colored women, the Germans crowded around, kissing the women's hands, and even trying to kiss their lips, too, the New York correspondent of the Die Zukunft of Frankfurt branded it as an infamous lie. Nevertheless it had happened, and moreover, I was not surprised. For years I lived in a mountain district in the Island of Jamaica, that had been settled by Germans about fifty years before, and almost the entire black population had been amalgamated by them. Every German I knew had one or more black concubines. One of them in particular had so many children and grandchildren named after him that it was a standing joke that he was the father of the village. Mulattoes with names as Sauerlinder, Swaby, Meyer, Brandt, were common. Some of these mulattoes married white German women, and at least one unmixed Negro had a German wife. The white Germans, as I knew them, had much less color prejudice for the blacks than their mulatto offspring.

"REAR-ADMIRAL SHUFELDT, U.S.N., says: 'In a conversation with a very intelligent German gentleman the other day, a man of fine education, intelligence and family connection in Germany where he was born, he informed me that he very much preferred congress with a fine, good-looking black Negress than with any white woman he had ever known, and from all accounts he had not been backward in such

matters.'

"It is my impression that the Germans and the Scandinavians are fonder of miscegenation than any other portion of the white race. Thus Nazi blasts against race-mixing in France is not without its irony. Conspicuous among these attacks was one in the Illustrierte Beobachter of Berlin, which declared that it was not German guns, airplanes, and poison gas that is France's danger, but the Negro.

"The article is copiously filled with 'horror' pictures showing how the French whites of both sexes associate on intimate terms with the Negro. Some of the typical sub-titles are: 'An everyday picture in Paris--nigger dancers with white women. French newspapers filled with lying atrocity stories about Germany would do well to worry about atrocity-ridden France.' A dance hall billboard showing a Negro dancing with a white woman is entitled: 'The Betrayal of the White Race.' A picture of white and colored students of the Sorbonne together is headed: 'France sacrifices the future mothers of its children to racial death.' A Jewish-looking man

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