

Garveyism
A Political
Creed



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We hold, that the purpose of man's being is happiness and that forces to the contrary are evil. For man to be happy requires the love of his women and the possession of those things that give body comfort. This necessitates an understanding with his fellowman, so that collectively they may plan and build the machines, cultivate the land, regulate trade, and provide control of the competitive spirit of man by government.

It is evident that the Creator planted within man a correcting force that impels him to action when tyrannical rulers or selfish groups conspire and interfere with his natural capacity for love, happiness and the desire for the dispensation of justice by peaceful means. Those who risk life and liberty in rebellion against evil power, do so because of natural impulses.

The basic loyalty of a righteous man is love for his fellowman.

This will not allow him to take the life and liberty of other men over disputes over national boundaries or theoretical religious dogma.

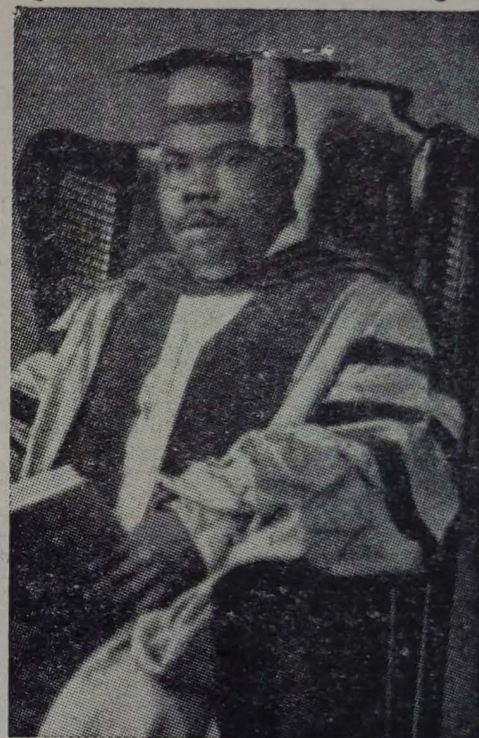
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To the student of World affairs. To the youth who only recently awoke to a consciousness of things as they are, and dreams of things as they might be. Who asks himself, who am I? Where am I bound? To whom has come an awareness that perhaps things once cherished as truth, are but deceit, arrogance, greed, dressed; in the cameleon robes of propaganda. Who longs for a grip on understanding, to take part in the forming of a better world of tomorrow. And has come, the realization that the knowledge of things that were thought of as bed-rock; from which one could build a foundation for love, life, and the pursuit of happiness, are but loose sands. To him, this effort is dedicated.

No man was ever, more unjustly accused, purposely misinterpreted, maliciously misquoted, than the man, Marcus Garvey. His works, like a bright comet streaking across the sky, the brilliance of its coming only overshadowed by the perpetuity of its tail. His speeches and purposes like the embers of an abandoned camp fire, fanned by the wind, to purposes unintended.

We have seen Africans who were oppressed by European nationalist; in the period since the end of world war two, rally and close ranks. The Afro-American, his dignity and identity crushed and suppressed by American nationalism, has no recourse but to return to his African background for those ties of history and culture so necessary to gain unity and furnish common ground for collective action. From political stooges to intelligent political action, is a must, if the Afro-American is to emerge from the American scene as a man of world wide recognition and respect.

For those whose understanding of our problems demand that they take action we suggest that they join the African nationalist movement.



MARCUS GARVEY

GARVEYISM is a political creed of the new age. It transcends national boundaries, provincial customs, wasteful boundry disputes, and the flag waving of narrow-minded munition makers.

GARVEYISM envisages the society of man, using the products of the earth for the good and comfort of all men.

GARVEYISM does not condone bloodshed war, or the humiliating imposition of unwanted ways of life on righteous people. However, when the selfish, greedy, bloodthirsty, spawn of some past era or culture appear in the generations of the new era, they shall not be allowed to interfere with the welfare and happiness of the people.

GARVEYISM stands for the right of the father to build from the material of this earth a home for his woman and her children fashioned with his skill, designed to please her womanly fancy and win her admiration and love

GARVEYISM means the right of youth to search for truth. To an unbiased education, free from the political machinations of the scheming demagogue and psuedo-shapers of man's destiny.

GARVEYISM stands for the guarantee of the right of the sucking infant to be coddled to his mother's breast in surroundings of peace, cleanliness, and harmony.

Marcus Garvey spoke these words to us:
NEGRO LEADERSHIP AND WHAT IT MEANS

I would not exchange two five-cent cigars, even though not a smoker, for all the colored or Negro political leaders, or rather mis-leaders, of our time.

The fraternity is heartless, crafty and corrupt. They exist for themselves only, and give no honest thought to the future, nor to the condition of the people, except to exploit the said condition to their political benefit.

The leaders of our race are visionless and selfish. They think of none but themselves.

Among the whites, we have a few political charlatans and crooks, but that race can well afford, under the circumstances, to tolerate them, because they are surrounded and circumvented by Statesmen and Race Patriots, who are ever vigilant and on guard in protecting the rights of their people. Among us Negroes, there is no relief from such a class, because they monopolize our politics and obstruct our outlook. The only tempering hope is religion, and that is like dry bones: we have to wait a long while for them to come together in the valley.

To use our present political leaders, there must be a conversion and reformation in head and heart. I believe it to be impossible with the inviting system of graft; therefore, I suggest that leadership be assumed by our uncorrupted youth, with a program clear, positive and determined, counting well the cost of opposition and persecution, which generally lead to the Bastile and Guillotine.

The hope of the Black race lies in our new blood—the New Negro—who is already rising to the height of Nationhood. He is the man of the future. By science, art, history, politics, industry and religion, he will rise above his environments, and in another hundred years shall have laid the pillars of the greatest Civilization the world ever saw.

GARVEY Wrote this 40 years ago. It is still true; only a new group of actors are in the cast. They and their paid representatives have us on a FEPC merry-go-round, eat what they serve, but make them serve, clown act.

BEWARE OF GREEKS BEARING GIFTS

The Negro needs to be saved from his friends (?) "friens" and beware of Greeks bearing gifts. The greatest enemies of the Negro are among those who hypocritically profess love and fellowship for him, when, in truth, and deep down in their hearts, they despise and hate him. Pseudo-philanthropists and their organizations are killing the Negro. White men and women of the Morefield Storey, Joel Spingarn, Julius Rosenwald, Oswald Garrison Villard, Congressman Dyer and Mary White Ovington, type, in conjunction with the above mentioned agencies, are disarming, disvisioning, dis-ambitioning and fooling the Negro to death. They teach the Negro to look to the whites in a false direction. They, by their practices are endeavoring to hold the Negroes in check, as a possible dangerous minority group, and yet point them to the impossible dream of equality that shall never materialize, as they well know, and never intended; at the same time distracting the Negro from the real solution and objective of securing nationalism. By thus decoying and deceiving the Negro and side tracking his real objective, they hope to gain time against him in allowing others of their race to perfect the plan by which the Blacks are to be completely destroyed as a competitive premanent part of white majority civilization and culture. They have succeeded in enslaving a small group of so-called

"Negro intellectuals" whom they use as agents to rope in the unsuspecting Negro people. They have become resentful and bitter toward the KKK, and use the influence of their controlled newspapers (White and Black) to fight them, not because they so much hate the klan, where the Negro is concerned, but because the Klan, through an honest expression of the White man's attitude toward the Negro, prepares him to help himself.

This hypocritical group of Whites, like Spingarn and Storey, have succeeded an earlier group that fooled the Negro during the days of Reconstruction. Instead of pointing the Negro to Africa, as Jefferson and Lincoln did, they sought to revenge him for the new liberty given him, by imprisoning him in the White man's civilization: to further rob his labor, and exploit his ignorance, until he is subsequently ground to death by a newly developed superior white civilization. The plot of these Negro baiters is wretched to contemplate, hence their hatred of me and their influence to crush me in any attempt to save the Black Race.

Between the KKK and the Morefield Storey N.A.A.C.P. group, give me the Klan for their honesty of purpose towards the Negro. They are better friends to my race, for telling us what they are, and what they mean, thereby giving us a chance to stir for ourselves, than all the hypocrites put together with their false gods and religions, not withstanding. Religions that they preach and will not practice; a God they talk about, whom they abuse every day, — away with the farce, hypocrisy and lie. It smells, it stinks to high heaven.

Excerpts from last speech before incarceration in the Tombs Prison, New York, U. S. A., delivered at Liberty Hall, New York, June 17, 1923.

Among the many names by which I have been called I was dubbed by another name a couple of days ago. The District Attorney, with whom I have been contesting the case for my Liberty and for the existence of the Universal Negro Improvement Association, in his fervid appeal, in his passionate appeal to the jury last Friday, cried out, "Gentlemen, WILL YOU LET THE TIGER LOOSE?"

The Tiger is already loose, and he has been at large for so long that it is no longer one Tiger, but many Tigers. The spirit of the Universal Negro Improvement Association has, fortunately for us, made a circuit of the world, to the extent that harm or injury done to any one, will in no way affect the great membership of this association, or retard its great program. The world is ignorant of the purpose of this association. The world is ignorant of the scope of this great movement, when it thinks that by laying low any one individual it can permanently silence this great spiritual wave that has taken hold of the souls and the hearts and minds of 400,000,000 Negroes throughout the world. We have only started; we are just on our way; we have just made the first lap in the great race for existence, and for a place in the political and economic sun of men.

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