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BIGOTRY AND PREJUDICE SHOWN IN RECENT ELECTION PROVE GRAVITY OF PLIGHT OF THE NEGRO IN AMERICA

Fellowmen of the Negro Race, Greeting:

Because of sailing away from Canada on the 7th inst. to keep up with my itinerary that I planned before leaving Europe, I was unable to send you an immediate message following the recent presidential election in the United States of America, but I now seize the opportunity of doing so, although I have not before me the complete returns showing in detail how the election was carried out in all sections of the country. I understand, however, that three or four of the Southern States voted Republican for the President and that Governor Smith was defeated on the agitated issues of white supremacy in the South and religious intolerance and bigotry in the North and elsewhere.

Overwhelming Prejudice

The election has proved my predictions to be true: that the Negro need not hope for justice in America because of the overwhelming sentiment of prejudice against his race and color. I took the opportunity of advising all the American Negroes to vote for Governor Smith because I wanted to prove conclusively whether our race could depend upon constitutional justice and rights rather than on prejudice to overcome our grave problems in America. It is now fully realized that there is no hope for the Negro in America on the principles or urge of constitutional rights and justice. He is overwhelmed by a majority prejudice that he will never be able to overcome except by the acquisition of external power economically and politically to assist him to hold a firm ground and to face the country and its people like a man, demanding all that is his due.

Negroes Have Not Lost

Don't you think that we have lost in the election. We have gained, in that we have gathered very valuable information and have reached positive conclusions that could not have been arrived at otherwise. The American Negro is now stronger, because of his attitude in the last election, than he was before. He was able to demonstrate that he had an opinion that was neither Republican nor Democratic, but was that of a man, which he voted in support of Gov-

HON. MARCUS GARVEY INVITES NEGROES TO PONDER OVER THE LESSONS OF THE RECENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Says It Must Now Be Fully Realized That Constitutional Rights and Justice Will Be Withheld

EXTERNAL POWER, ECONOMICALLY AND POLITICALLY, MUST BE SOUGHT TO OVERCOME MAJORITY PREJUDICE HERE

The American Negro Is Stronger by Reason of His Independent Stand in the Election - Nothing Can Be Lost by Demonstrating Manhood

ernor Smith, even with the tremendous odds against him. The Negro must always act this way, independently. Even in the face of odds he must be a man. He must refuse to bow to any power based upon unrighteousness and injustice.

We Must Suffer to Win

It is true that we must suffer temporary setbacks, but what are these in the life of a people who must make themselves in the activities of the centuries? We are making ourselves today; we are doing so with a full consciousness of our responsibility. I trust that no one will weep over the result of the election, but will feel recharged with new energy, with new life, with the experience gained to go forward in the solution of the difficult problems of the race that confront us.

Dominant Race Prejudice

We fully realize that religious bigotry and race prejudice are more potent in the life of American politics than constitutional rights and justice. The Negro is going to respect the constitutions of all countries; he shall be loyal and obedient to all laws, but he shall not fail to take cognizance of the fact that his only protection is his united power, which must now be organized throughout the world so as to have it make its impress upon a prejudiced world.

Blacks Shall Be Free

By the gods that be, by the laws of Nature and the very elements of heaven, the black man

shall be free. There is no power in all earth, nor can we anticipate in all heaven, that shall permanently impede the black man in rising above his difficulties. I pledge you that we shall go forward and not backward. The black man's opinion shall become more unanimous and more expressed as we go on from day to day in the great work that is before us. I personally feel a new courage; I feel, in fact, a new inspiration that shall never die.

Great Future for Black Race

I can see before me a great future for the black peoples of the world; a future created by our unanimous action and effort. So let me appeal to you again for that unanimity of purpose and of will that will decisively lay down a policy by which all mankind shall respect the Negro as a serious and potential power in the affairs of men.

Great Forthcoming Convention

We are now looking forward to our great international convention, the greatest conclave of all times, out of which we shall write a new chapter in the history of our race. The scattered ends of the world shall be reunited in sentiment of peace, love and good will to all mankind through this convention. We shall come together as a new people, with a new hope and with a desire to bless all humanity. Let us work for the success of the forthcoming convention with untiring zeal.

Let me bless you with God's choicest gift, feeling sure that He will not forget us, realizing that in all we have done He has been our guiding force, leading us on to the desired end of peace on earth and good will toward all men.

With very best wishes, I have the honor to be,
Your obedient servant,



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