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Seven essays, including the Law, Disfranchisement, Industrial Education, and the Negro's Place in American Life

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Jay Riley says

He discusses how status quo and hew education are at odds with each other.

Francis says

Yes, the essays are outdated. Although obviously works of yesteryear, the insights are applicable today — and NOT just for "negroes". Any individual or people group seeking to raise their standing among humanity would do well to consider the ideas and alternatives conveyed in this collection. Booker T. Washington — brilliant!

Marcus M. says

This is a must-read for every Black person or anyone who desires a post-Race America. It took me so long to read it because it triggered so many debates within, as the contributors went from calling out institutional racism in America to celebrating Black people who excelled in spite, and from there to calling out Black people for their own independent shortcomings.

Negasi says

This is a noteworthy assembly of essays written by a collection of important leaders & scholars about the condition of Black Americans. Written at an important historical crossroad in Black American history, a few generations after slavery but facing a new 20th Century while Blacks remained wedged at the very bottom of society with little sign of relief from broad intractable racism throughout society and government. You feel the enthusiasm from all the authors, which includes some born into slavery, to explain the cause of the condition and to offer answers. These answers reflect the general themes of education and industrial solutions, but without the strain of disagreement often cited among these camps. It's neat to read references to contemporary events that later became historical, such as the mention of W.E.B. DuBois' book "The Soul of Black Folk" which had only been recently published at the time. There is an uncomfortable strain of "dual consciousness" throughout with most authors choosing to carefully avoid making White readers prickly from hints of aggressive agitation. The one really bright contribution to me was that of T. Thomas Fortune, who argues for Black Americans to rally around racial pride as a unifying cause, which is no surprise as he was the editor of Marcus Garvey's Negro World. I recommend this text to those interested in the progression of Black thought on pathways to progress from slavery to the present.

Royce Ratterman says

Read for personal research - found this book's contents helpful and inspiring.

A good book for the researcher and enthusiast.

Valquiria Zango says

I've started reading this it's good.
