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BEN LARRABEE  
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June 22, 1929.

Hon. Herbert Hoover,  
President of the United States,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

With all respect;-

I, as just a plain citizen of the United States, that voted for you for President, join with my fellow Democrats of Texas and Florida and elsewhere in bowing my head in shame at our lack of judgment.

In the face of warning that the Republican party leans toward social equality with Negroes, we were swept off of our feet for the time being, but you can rest assured it will never happen again.

Social equality between the Negro and the White man cannot be accomplished in this country half as quickly as a Roman Catholic can be elected President, and we saw how impossible that was last fall.

It won't work.

Just because the Republican party is in power does not make it right to attempt to force such an abhorrently low standard of social appraisal of our race down our throats.

Of course, I do not expect even recognition of this letter because I do not amount to enough in the country to justify it, but I think the people who think like I do and other voters amount to considerable and I am writing this to you for what it is worth.

Sincerely and respectfully,

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DR. K. H. PATTERSON  
EYESIGHT SPECIALIST  
HENDERSON, N. C.

June 14th, 1929.

Mrs. Herbert Hoover,  
Washington,

Dear Madam: -

You and Mr. Hoover richly deserve all the criticism that you will get as a result of your going out of your way to give social recognition to the DePriest woman.

The negro should be given every opportunity to better their condition and enjoy his citizenship the same as any one else, but he is not the white mans social equal and should not be accepted as such.

The negro has a very earnest desire for social equality, in spite of his denial, and you have done mere to increase that desire than any one in this country could have done, and the result will be far reaching in breeding hatred for the white man, becaus the white man simply will not accept him as their social equal. Politics notwithstanding.

Millions of us regret the blunder you have made.

Yours truly,

*K. H. Patterson*

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[FLORENCE] OMAHA, NEBRASKA

June 19, 1929.

Dear Mrs. Hoover,

My WIFE and I are dumb-founded tonight to read in the papers that you have entertained a nigger lady, the WIFE of Congressman elect DePriest of Chicago, Ill.

This makes a great cut in our appreciation of you as an AMERICAN citizen. It knocks the bottom of WHITE SUPREMACY in a cocked-hat. In fact, its too degrading for an argument. It places them on an equality with the CAUCASIAN RACE, and assists for the amalgamation of the races.

I fear you do not understand the amount of damage you have done to this Country. The writer would feel very unpatriotic to his Country if he would allow himself to sit by a nigger in any dining room, including the HOME. I know and you ought to know that the nigger cannot be handled in this manner and be considered successful for these United States. I'll admit however its a nigger vote getter for your distinguished husband, whom we all supported because of the fact we wanted an AMERICAN on guard at Washington, D. C.

You must remember we already have 3,000,000 mulattoes in this Country, and now you encourage them as being your equal, making the younger set of nigger girls and boys feel as if they were good enough to intermarry with your Son, and the Sons and Daughters of other AMERICAN families.

I wonder if the Northern people will ever wake up to the fact that the nigger cannot be handled that way, and be a safe factor to contend with. The nigger is here and I want him to be a nigger (stay black). I want him to also have a nigger's job. WHITE SUPREMACY must prevail in AMERICA. If it does not, in another 100 years at the rate we are going, we will be 50 per cent. malattoes. Do you think that is good for this Country?

The correct solution of the nigger question is their complete disfranchisement by Constitutional Amendment and to treat him more like a hound dog, than a guest at your table at tea. Then you will not have him dictating to you and on an equality with the CAUCASIAN RACE.

Very truly yours,

C. L. Nethaway  
Eunice E. Nethaway

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*Opposite The State Capitol  
On The Park*



*State And Eagle Streets  
Albany, New York*

**Personal Attention.**

**Albany, N.Y.**

**Hon. Herbert Hoover,  
White House.,  
Washington, D.C.**

**June 18, 1929.**

**Hon. Sir:-**

The reception of Mrs. Oscar De Priest, at the White House by Mrs. Hoover, is a great victory for the principles, of social, and political equality of all races, upon which this nation was founded.

Those that oppose such principles are the enemies of this nation, and should be dealt with accordingly, and their political power must be crushed if America is to remain a land of freedom, and equality for all.

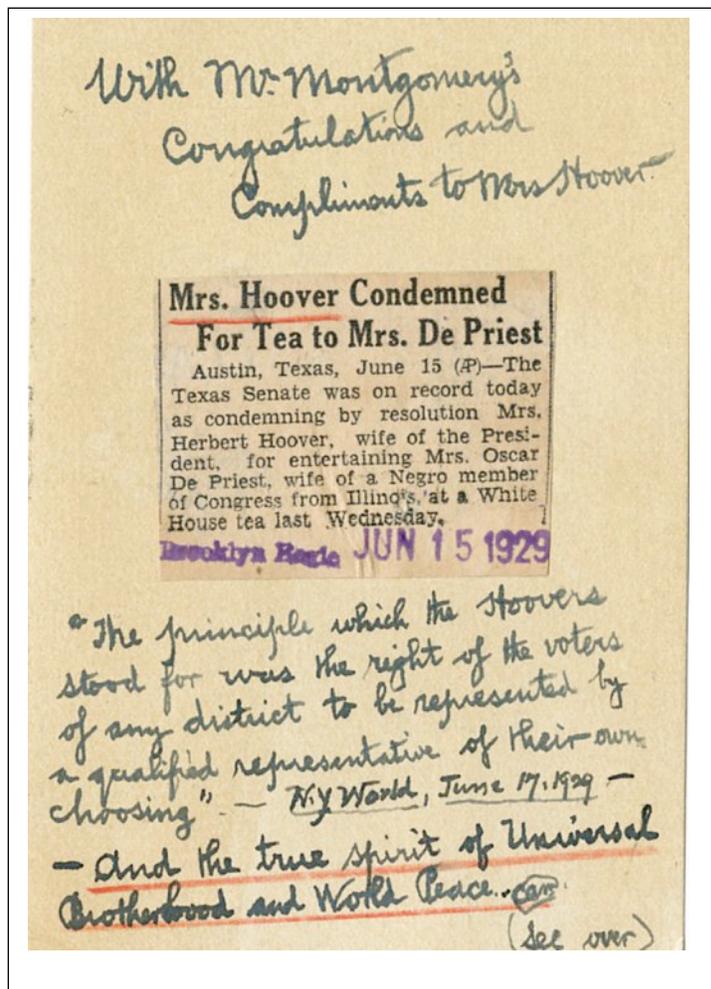
We hope that as a result of the opposition, and reaction to the reception of Mrs. De Priest, along with other wives of Congressmen, that there will be a large number of Colored Congressmen elected, and also Senators from many of the Southern states.

The colored people have always been loyal, and patriotic American citizens, and of tremendous value to the nation in times of peace, and in war, and any discrimination, or injustice extended to them should be prosecuted with vigor by the Federal Government.

The statements of the Governor of Texas, and Southern Senators is an open attack and insult to the Constitution of the United States, and those that have made such a public, or private statement should be dealt with by law, and cannot longer be considered patriotic, or loyal American citizens.

We wish to congratulate President Hoover, Mrs. Hoover, and the distinguished guest of the White House Mrs. Oscar de Priest. We hope that there will be many more such meetings of all good American citizens.

WORLD NEWS SERVICE.  
Yours very truly, Ralph Spooner, Rep.



Handwriting: With Mr. Montgomery's Congratulations and Compliments to Mrs. Hoover.  
(Article)

"The principle which the Hoovers stood for was the right of the voters of any district to be represented by a qualified representative of their own choosing." — NY World, June 17, 1929

- And the true spirit of Universal Brotherhood and World Peace.

TELEGRAM.

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The White House,  
Washington.

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New York, June 15, 1929.

Mrs. Herbert Hoover,  
The White House:

Allow me to congratulate you on the stand you have taken in reference to invitation of Mrs. Oscar DePriest at White House entertainment. You could have done nothing less consistent with good policy and respect for the feelings of the colored women of the country. Your stock has gone up one hundred per cent. I am speaking for fifteen thousand colored women voters of 21st Congressional District of New York who worked zealously for your husband's election, together with mine, in the Fall of 1928. Much courage and strength is prayed for you in this matter that you may still continue what is right and just.

E. A. Johnson,  
Congressional nominee 21st  
Congressional District of New York.

JANET M. GEISTER

370 Seventh Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

June 17th, 1929

Mrs. Herbert Hoover,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mrs. Hoover:

May I express my very warm appreciation of your act in including among your guests for tea Mrs. Oscar DePriest, the wife of the colored representative from Chicago?

It may be true, as stated in the morning papers, that you have alienated some of the Southern support; on the other hand, I believe you have gained quite as much and more because of this act, which symbolizes the real democracy of this country. I am a Democrat, but my political support is always on the matter of principle rather than party. In your act you embodied the principles of democracy in its finest and broadest sense.

May I express my warm congratulations and good wishes?

Sincerely yours,

*Janet M. Geister*  
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