

LECTURE 3 RACISM & CHINESE IMMIGRATION

Key Terms:

Jim Crow South

Chinese Exclusion Act

Plessy v. Ferguson

lynching

Ida B. Wells

Booker T. Washington

WEB DuBois

Concepts:

Stricter ideas about race
produced a more strictly
segregated society.

JIM CROW SOUTH - SEGREGATION



RACE-BASED LAWS IN THE SOUTH

- How were blacks kept from voting?
- What were the “grandfather clause” laws?

SUPPRESSION OF BLACK VOTING

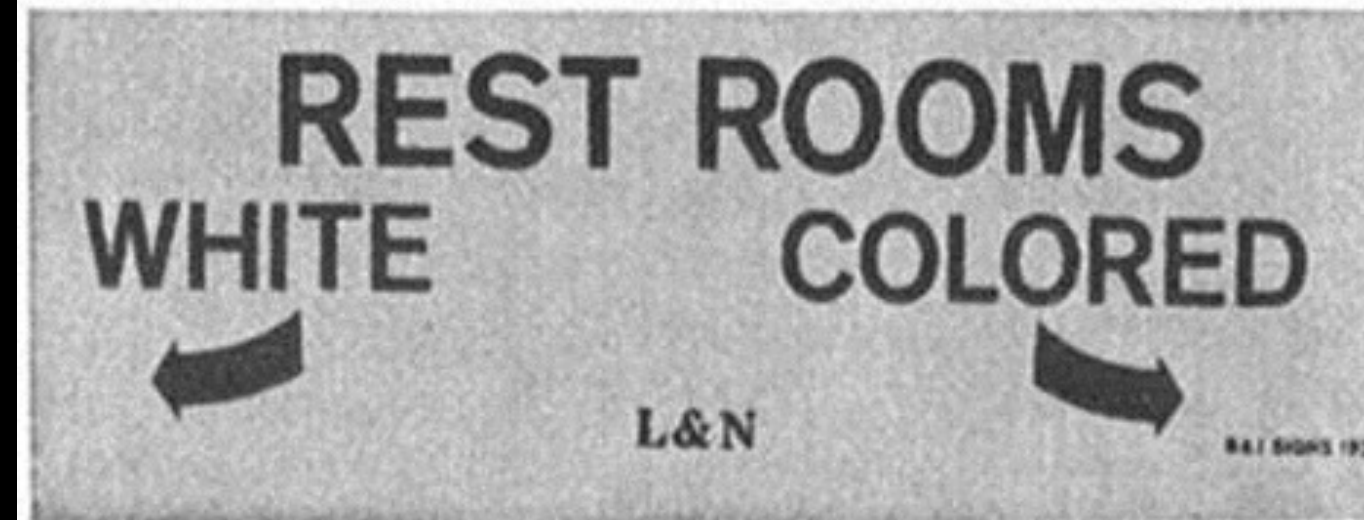
- Restrictive laws (1890-1906)
 - Literacy tests, poll taxes
 - eligibility
 - “grandfather clauses” end in 1915
- LA: 1894 130,000 black voters
 - 1904: 1,342 black voters
- By 1940 only 3% southern blacks registered to vote



"ONE VOTE LESS."—*Richmond Whig*.

"SEPARATE BUT EQUAL"

- *Civil Rights Cases* (1883)
- *Plessy v Ferguson* (1896)
 - 7-1 ruling
 - Judge Harlan dissenting
 - "Our Constitution is color-blind."
- By 1900, zero southern public black high schools



RACIALIZED CONVICT LABOR



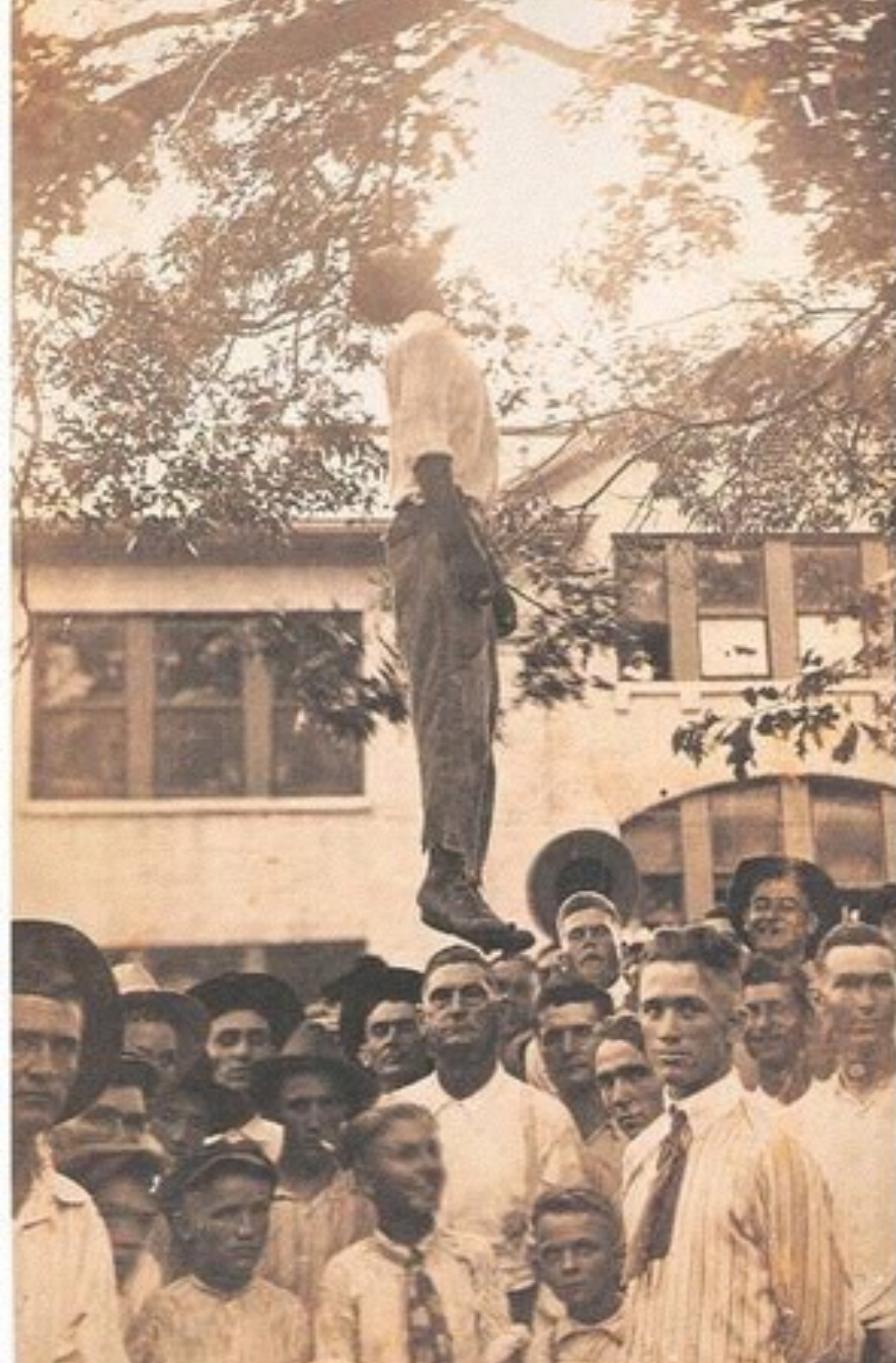


The Lynching of Henry Smith, 1893
Paris, TX
10,000 people in attendance



LYNCHING

- Over 4,000 lynchings in the South (1880-1930)



IDA B. WELLS

- Lynching
- 1892, *Memphis Free Press*
- challenged notions of sexually predatory black men

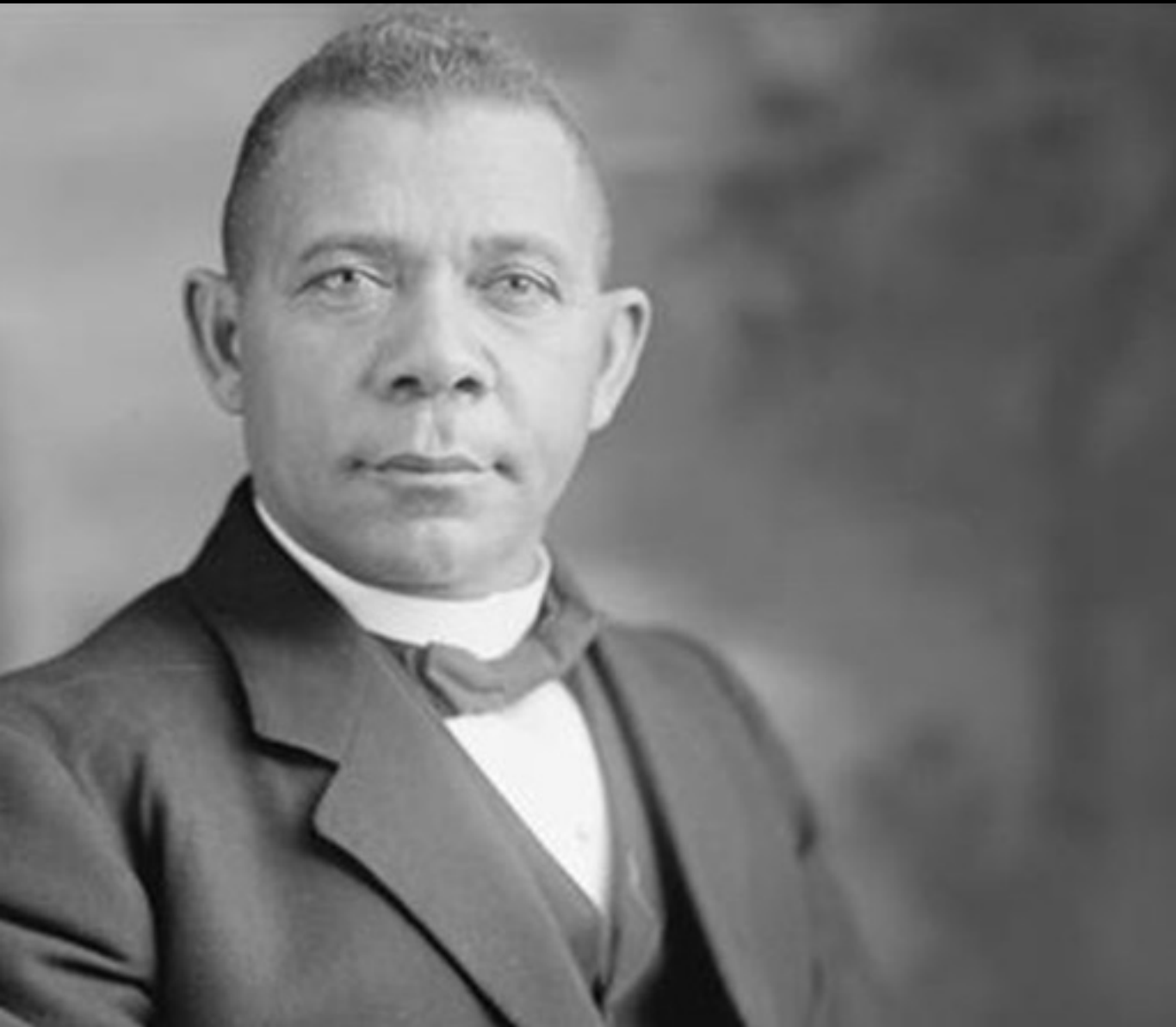


BLACK WOMEN'S GROUPS

- National Assoc. of Colored Women (1896)
- "Lifting as We Climb"



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON



- Hampton Institute, VA
- Tuskegee Institute, AL (1881)
- *Up from Slavery* (1901)
- Compromise with segregation
- trades, wage labor

W.E.B. DUBOIS

- Fisk Univ. & Harvard
- *The Souls of Black Folk* (1903)
- Blacks should accept no limits
- NAACP (1909)





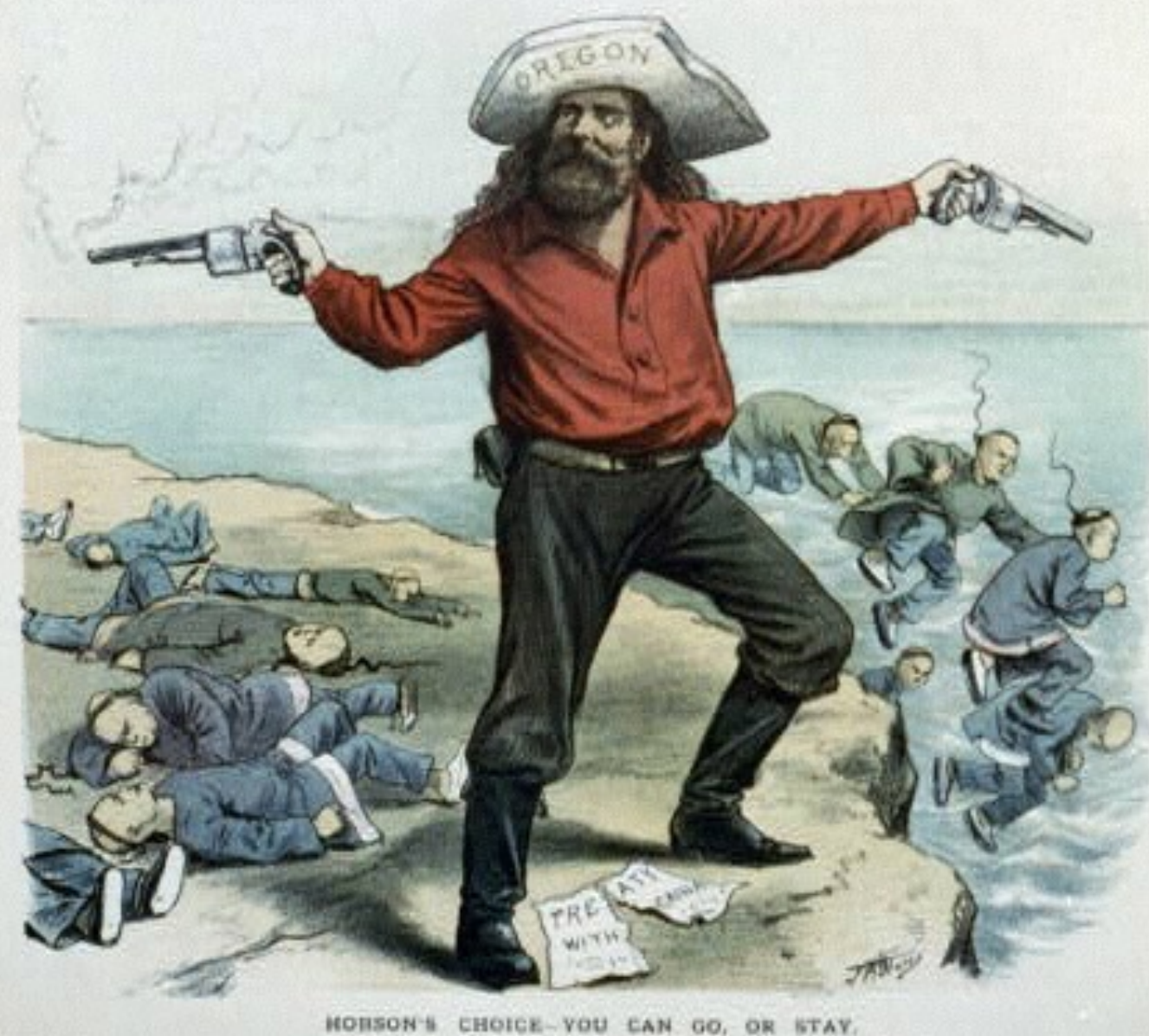


"WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH OUR BOYS?"



1860S AND 1870S ANTI-CHINESE LAWS

- Taxes:
 - WA Terr., \$6 quarterly tax on all Chinese
 - ID Terr., \$5/month tax on "foreign miners"
 - All Chinese were considered "miners"
 - 1870: 25% of ID population was Chinese



MASSACRE OF CHINESE

- 1866: 50 miners killed by Paiute Indians
 - southern Idaho
- 1887: 31 miners tortured, killed by Anglo bandits
 - near Hell's Canyon



CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT, 1882

- Exclusion from immigration
- Ineligible for citizenship
- Can't work in mining, other industries



1880S

ANTI-CHINESE ACTIONS



THE ANTI-CHINESE RIOT AT SEATTLE.

SEATTLE RIOT, 1886

- About 200 Chinese evicted
- Tacoma, 1885
- Seattle: increase in Japanese residents from 125 in 1890 to 3,000 by 1910



IN FONER, P. 672.

- Two middle paragraphs beginning with “The U.S. Supreme Court...”
- The first two Court cases seem to be very different than the third (*Fong Yue Ting v. U.S.*). How do you explain the difference?

ANTI-MORMONISM



- Idaho, by 1877 31 distinct communities
- By 1890, 25,000 Mormon residents

EDMUNDS ACT, 1882 BARING POLYGAMISTS FROM POLITICS



THE MORMON OCTOPUS ENSLAVING THE WOMEN OF UTAH

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THE THREE TROUBLESOME CHILDREN.

THE EAST

PUCK.



UNCLE SAM'S LODGING-HOUSE.

UNCLE SAM:—"Look here, you, everybody else is quiet and peaceable, and you're all the time a-kicking up a row!"

1890s - ANTI-IMMIGRATION DEBATES

"BEATEN MEN FROM BEATEN RACES"



SUM UP

- Black segregation, Chinese exclusion, Indian Reservations...
- By the 1890s a new concept of whiteness had emerged.
 - White = WASP (White, Anglo-Saxon, Protestant)