

My Native Land

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IN THE June 15 issue of The New York Times appeared a dispatch by Michael Clark on an interesting attempt at a solution for land reclamation, in a desert section of Tunisia. The story recounts how one Abraham, son of the Servant of the Most Praised, worked as a share-cropper on someone's olive farm. But, instead of receiving a percentage of the harvest, this Ibraheem ben Abdul Hamil Zaid collected for his work one half of the land cultivated, crops and all, with a Free and Clear Title Deed thrown in for good measure.

There are no gold mines reported in the section of Tunisia where the agricultural experiment was conducted. Nevertheless, an olive rush was on, for in 1882 there were 360,000 olive trees in the area—today there are 8,000,000 trees. Then 44,000 acres were sparsely cultivated—now 1,235,00 acres are intensively used by 22,000 owners, who export 56,000 tons of oil annually, adding the several tons used for home markets.

Another experiment in land reclamation was conducted by (Moses) Musa Alami in the Jordan Valley, reported by Kenneth Love in the Times on July 6. Mr. Alami's effort to improve the desert waste ran smack into another dead end that only a Georgist formula can solve—Land Values. Here Alami's 2,000 acres of sand which could be had for \$0.00 per acre in 1948, can now be purchased only for \$560.00 per acre. This prohibitive and ever increasing price of land, caused by land becoming private property, will curtail further development, causing the same hardships noted in Kenya, East Africa. For here and elsewhere, as George pointed out, he who controls the land will control the labor and lives of those who must live off land.

Peonage, serfdom and vassalage are merely fancy names used to fool Caucasians into thinking they are not enslaved, as are the non-Caucasians. The East Germans—supreme Nordics—are in revolt against Mongoloid Russians who control Eastern Germany by force of arms, as the Fuzzy Wuzzys of Kenya are in revolt against the British in East Africa.

The Earl of Mansfield recently recommended to the British Parliament the expenditure of \$280,000,000 to rehabilitate the British controlled islands in the West Indies. These islands of tropical plenty extend from the Bahama group off the tip of Florida to Trinidad near the coast of Venezuela. With much hard work, long hours and low wages, the people are reduced to malnutrition, semi-starvation, disease, prostitution, over crowded prisons, mass migration and other evil hallmarks of civilization.

Call it by any name which suits the fancy: White Supremacy, Caste System, Class Struggle, or Dictatorship of the Proletariat. They all mean the same thing—Land Control. India with her caste land monopoly cost her three hundred years of subjugation to a foreign power. French domination of Indo China is costing three billions per year mostly in American dollars.

Professor Lothrop Stoddard's *Rising Tide of Color against White World Supremacy* is a misnomer. It should be termed "The Rising Tide of all peoples against Landlordism." Abolish private ownership of land by individuals, vested interests or the state, and racial, religious or other antagonisms can be easily removed.

Moreover, the profit of the earth is for all; the king himself is served by the land.—Ecc. 5:9.