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CAN WE TALK ABOUT ANTISEMITISM

There is something weird about the national conversation on anti-semitism. NBA player Kyrie Irving recently came under fire for promoting a film, *Hebrews to Negroes: Wake up Black America*. The film claims that Black Americans are the real Jews, and claims to be "packed with research" it says that Christianity, Islam, and Judaism have covered up a secret about the real identity of the so-called Negro. The film was released in 2018 and produced by Ronald Dalton Jr. Aside from the fact that this myth that Black people are the original Children of Israel, the way Irving promotion of the film has been used to reinforce dangerous IHRA definitions of antisemitism that conflate criticisms of the state of Israel as settler colonial occupier of Palestine with prejudice against Jewish people is astounding.

I can recall when CNN fired Temple University professor and former political commentator Dr. Mark Lamont Hill in 2018 after he offered a speech at the Special Meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People held on the occasion of the annual November 29 International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian Movement. He remarked that there was an opportunity then to commit to international and grassroots action, closing with, "That will give us what justice requires, and that is a free Palestine from the river to the sea" The last clause, a free Palestine from the river to the sea received significant backlash. The phrase has been taken in popular discourse as a call for the annihilation of Jewish people or at least sympathetic to the political terrorist organization Hamas. Certainly, there has been a movement from popular calls for a so-called two-state solution, to a more erred political register where there can only be one or the other.

Given the ways, these responses have had material impacts on Black individuals careers, responses, of course, to discourse with no systemic or even individual relationship to antisemitism, it's unclear given how deftly criticizers of Israel as a settler state will continue to be silenced. "Jews will not replace us" is factually a tagline for white supremacist organizations in the United States who organize en mass against the social and political progress of the most marginal in U.S. culture. I would say the limitation of Kyrie Irving, albeit erroneous, Dr.Hill's speech and the establishment of a precedent including the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Working Definition of Antisemitism as troubling. It was only on June 22, 2022, when the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit ruled that an anti-boycott law in Arkansas was not unconstitutional, in effect failing to protect boycotts, the one in question being the Boycott Divest and Sanctions movement against the state of Israel, as protected free speech. The wholesale adoption of any criticism of an apartheid state like Israel as antisemitism would take Judaism to be a monolith while simultaneously supporting the production of anti-blackness and subordination of speech from Black professionals. There are many positions to take up on the subject and a lot is risked in whittling it down to all but two.

> - René Garrett, '23 Submission

ANOTHER EFFING LIST

Here are some things I learned over break:

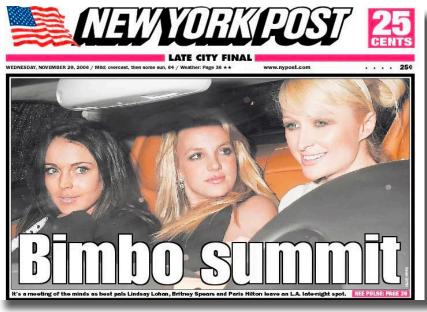
- 1. Wearing overalls makes a person want to smoke weed.
- 2. My Grandma got really drunk and slept all of Saturday and her friend thought she was dead, so the police did a wellness check on my Grandma to make sure she was alive! She's grateful for the Mount Prospect Police Department!!
- 3. Bottomless mimosas are a very dangerous game.
- 4. I love learning about what "eras" people have been through in 2022, not sarcasm! 5. Tolls suck if you don't have an I-Pass...
- 6. Blackout Wednesday is a national holiday and real thing?
- 7. It's okay for two soccer teams to draw in the second round of the World Cup. 8. When someone says, "You know the guy who's really smart, but got really sick," they're referring to Stephen Hawking.
- 9. My aunt will always be "above-ground" because she wants to be cremated. 9. I gave my friend a 20 dollar bill?
- 10. My cousin has maladaptive daydreams.
- 11. Making minecraft villager sounds every 10 seconds for 2 minutes straight, gets a little annoying.

- Brin Glass, soooooo college break

TODAY IN HISTORY

November 29, 2006. Sixteen years ago today the New York Post published perhaps the sleaziest, most sneering yet iconic headline of all time.

3 girls, 2 words, in 1 car:



May we never forget Bimbo Summit and the impact it has had on pop culture. And may we never forget the three icons in the car, the infamous "it" girls of the early two thousands: Britney, Paris, and Lindsay.

-Claire Anderson, big Lindsay Lohan fan



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