

**"THE PEOPLE THAT CAME TO
THIS COUNTRY IN THE EARLY
DAYS WERE OF THE BEAVER
TYPE AND THEY BUILT UP
AMERICA BECAUSE IT WAS IN
THEIR NATURE TO BUILD. THEN
THE RAT-PEOPLE BEGAN
COMING HERE, TO HOUSE
UNDER THE ROOF THAT OTHERS
BUILT...BEWARE OF BREEDING
RATS IN AMERICA..."**

James J. Davis,
Secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Labor

1917 IMMIGRATION ACT

ASIATIC BARRED ZONE
(1917-1952)

1882 CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT

1888 THE SCOTT ACT

1892 GEARY ACT

STRICTLY ENFORCED
NOT BE MANY YEARS
BEFORE THE [CHINESE]
RACE WILL, IN ALL PROBABILITY,
BE EXTINCT IN THIS COUNTRY."

Joint Select Committee on
Immigration and Naturalization, 1891

ACT 1893
FONG YUE TING V.
UNITED STATES

1898

IMMIGRATION
GREAT
FEDERAL

92% OF ALL U.S. ADMISSIONS
FROM 1899 TO 1929 WERE
FROM EUROPE

MIGRATION CONTROL IS THE
BEST INSTRUMENT WHICH THE
AL GOVERNMENT CAN USE IN

ACT
BARRED
ONE
(7-1952)

"THE CAUCASIAN,
MONGOLIAN,
MALAY AND
ETHIOPIAN CAN
NEVER DWELL
TOGETHER IN
PEACE UNDER
THE SAME
FIG TREE"

Proceedings of the Asiatic
Exclusion League, 1907

WHO IS BANNED, BARRED & CAPPED?

**"TO CONFER THE
PRIVILEGE OF
CITIZENSHIP UPON THAT
CLASS OF PERSONS WHOM
THE FATHERS KNEW AS
WHITE, AND TO DENY IT TO
ALL WHO COULD NOT BE SO
CLASSIFIED."**

OZAWA V. UNITED STATES

1922

UNITED STATES V.
WONG KIM

GENTLEMAN'S
AGREEMENT 1892

NISHIMURA EKIU V.
UNITED STATES 1896

WONG WING V.
UNITED STATES

(Enter Detention Centers)

**"IMMIGRATION CONTROL IS THE
GREATEST INSTRUMENT WHICH THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CAN USE IN
PROMOTING RACE CONSERVATION OF
THE NATION"**

Dr. Harry H. Laughlin, Eugenics Expert for the House
Committee on Immigration and Naturalization, 1928

"THE NATIVES OF BOTH CONTINENTS
[ASIA AND AFRICA] SHOULD BE
EXCLUDED. I DO NOT THINK THE
INHABITANTS OF EITHER ARE FIT FOR
CITIZENSHIP IN THIS REPUBLIC. AND I
SAY THIS NOT IN A SPIRIT OF HOSTILITY
TO THE BLACK MAN OR THE YELLOW MAN,
BUT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE
PURITY OF THE WHITE RACE IN AMERICA

“AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS REST SOLELY ON GOOD CITIZENSHIP. THEY WERE CREATED BY PEOPLE WHO HAD A BACKGROUND OF SELF-GOVERNMENT. NEW ARRIVALS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO OUR CAPACITY TO ABSORB THEM INTO THE RANKS OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP. AMERICA MUST BE KEPT AMERICAN. FOR THIS PURPOSE, IT IS NECESSARY TO CONTINUE A POLICY OF RESTRICTED IMMIGRATION.”

Calvin Coolidge (30th U.S. President), 1924

What infamous racial segregation case was ruled the same year?

WILKINS 1884
DAWES ACT 1887

9 CHAE CHAN PING UNITED STATES (Never Overturned)

"THE WHIT

1903 IMMIGRATION ACT

1891 IMMIGRATION ACT

ELLIS ISLAND, EST. JAN. 1892

Fewer than 2% of who mostly European

Eugenicist
 "American Prophet of
 scientific racism"

IN 1892
 m were denied
 peans

"IMMIGRANTS FROM THESE COUNTRIES"

AND THE CONSERVATION OF THE WHITE
MAN'S CIVILIZATION."

James K. Vardaman (D-MS), 1917

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→ The countries in Africa
with quota allotments are
colonial subjects of which

“THERE IS TODAY ONE STATE IN WHICH AT LEAST WEAK BEGINNINGS TOWARD A BETTER CONCEPTIONS ARE NOTICEABLE. OF COURSE, IT IS NOT OUR MODEL GERMAN REPUBLIC, BUT THE AMERICAN UNION, IN WHICH AN EFFORT IS MADE TO CONSULT REASON AT LEAST PARTIALLY. BY REFUSING IMMIGRATION ON PRINCIPLE TO ELEMENTS IN POOR HEALTH, BY SIMPLY EXCLUDING CERTAIN RACES FROM NATURALIZATION, IT PROFFERS IN SLOW BEGINNINGS A VIEW WHICH IS PECULIAR TO THE FOLKISH STATE CONCEPT.”

Adolf Hitler, Mein Kampf, 1925

ANGEL ISLAND
Denied entry 33% of the time to
mostly-Asians who sought entry
between 1910 and

Who is erased in the
broad categorization
of "Mexican"? Who was
here before "Mexico"?

1897 IN R
"white"

Since the invention of

COUNTRY

Not Banned but
CRIMINALIZED!

by treaty

E RODRIGUEZ

"RACIALLY NOT
ASSIMILABLE"

Rep. Albert Johnson
(R-WA), Co-Author 1924
Act

1924
U.S.
BORDER
PATROL
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[IN LATIN
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"THIS COUNTRY
DEDICATED TO H

IN AMERICA AND THE WEST
END TO LOWER THE AVERAGE OF
RACE VALUE OF THE WHITE
TION OF THE UNITED STATES."

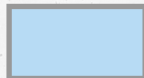
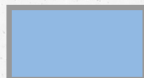
Professor Robert Foerster
*al Problems Involved in Immigration From
America and the West Indies to the United
States, 1925*

Y IS THE WHITE MAN'S COUNTRY,
HIS CIVILIZATION AND GOVERNED

countries?

1924 JOHNSON-REED ACT
(NATIONAL ORIGINS ACT)

IMMIGRATION QUOTA SYSTEM

MORE		Quota of 100 to 170
QUOTA		Quota of 344 to 789

THE WHITES-ONLY
IMMIGRATION REGIME
AS DEVELOPED FROM 1887-1929

HOW DO THE THEMES AND SENTIMENTS ABOVE ECHO
IN TODAY'S IMMIGRATION POLICIES & RHETORIC?

Inspired by Faith Ringgold's "United States of Attica"

Mexico has comprised at least 90% of all "voluntary" departures. 1927

UNDESIRABLE ALIENS ACT




"THE M
NO
MEXICO...
MIXTII

“VOLUNTARY” DEPARTURES
“UNLAWFUL ENTRY”
MOST DANGEROUS MASS IMMIGRATION
W MENACING US IS THAT FROM
THE MOST INSIDIOUS AND GENERAL
RE OF WHITE INDIAN AND NEGRO

HIS LAWS...I DO NOT SEE WHY WE SHOULD
IT YELLOW MEN, BROWN MEN, OR BLACK MEN
D THIS COUNTRY TO ADD TO THE CONFUSION
AT WE ALREADY HAVE. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT
SOUND POLICY, THE SAFE POLICY, THE WISE
POLICY WOULD BE TO ADMIT CAUCASIAN
IMMIGRANTS ONLY"

SCORES

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	Quota of 1,648 to 3,954
	Quota of 5,982 to 9,561
	Quota of 28,567 to 51,227

OF WHITE, INDIAN, AND NEGRO
RAINS EVER PRODUCED IN AMERICA."
John C. Box (D-TX), 1924
IS CRIMINALIZED?

Thomas W. Hardwick (D-GA),
1916



Mapping Deportations

Cartography by Mariah Tso