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Conclusion: *The Synergy between Race, Class, Gender, and Profession in African American Journalists' Autobiographies*

If book says "in process", it can be requested at the Circulation Desk. African American culture has a rich tradition of folktales. Written for students and general readers, this volume gathers a sampling of the most important African American folktales. Included are nearly 50 tales grouped in thematic chapters on origins; heroes, heroines, villains, and fools; society and conflict; and the supernatural. Each tale begins with an introductory headnote, and the book closes with a selected, general bibliography. Students learning about literature and language will gain a greater understanding of African American oral traditions, while social studies students will learn more about African American culture. Kusmer and Joe W. University of Chicago Press, Historians have devoted surprisingly little attention to African American urban history of the postwar period, especially compared with earlier decades. Correcting this imbalance, *African American Urban History since World War II* features an exciting mix of seasoned scholars and fresh new voices whose combined efforts provide the first comprehensive assessment of this important subject. Concluding with a set of essays on black culture and consumption, this volume fully realizes its goal of linking local transformations with the national and global processes that affect urban class and race relations. State University of New York Press, This book discusses race and its roles in university-community partnerships. The contributors take a collaborative, interdisciplinary, and multiregional approach that allows students, agency staff, community constituents, faculty, and campus administrators an opportunity to reflect on and redefine what impact African American identity--in the academy and in the community--has on various forms of community engagement. From historic concepts of "race uplift" to contemporary debates about racialized perceptions of need, they argue that African American identity plays a significant role. In representing best practices, recommendations, personal insight, and informed warnings about building sustainable and mutually beneficial relationships, the contributors provide a cogent platform from which to encourage the difficult and much-needed inclusion of race in dialogues of national service and community engagement. *African Americans Confront Lynching: A rich selection of documents helps give the story a sense of immediacy. Based on the latest research, this work provides a new look at the lives of African Americans in the Western United States, from the colonial era to the present. African Americans on the Great Plains: Glasrud and Charles A. University of Nebraska Press, c Until recently, histories of the American West gave little evidence of the presence--let alone importance--of African Americans in the unfolding of the western frontier. There might have been a mention of Estevan, slavery, or the Dred Scott decision, but the rich and varied experience of African Americans on the Great Plains went largely unnoted. This book, the first of its kind, supplies that critical missing chapter in American history. Originally published over the span of twenty-five years in *Great Plains Quarterly*, the essays collected here describe the part African Americans played in the frontier army and as homesteaders, community builders, and activists. The authors address race relations, discrimination, and violence. They tell of the struggle for civil rights and against Jim Crow, and they examine African American cultural growth and contributions as well as economic and political aspects of black life on the Great Plains. African Women Immigrants in the United States: Depicts how immigrant women use international migration as a strategy to challenge existing patriarchal hegemonies operative both in the United States and Africa. It also weaves together the multidimensional strands of how African immigrant women shape and are shaped by the process of international migration. Africana Cultures and Policy Studies: This book introduces Africana Cultures and Policy Studies as an interdisciplinary field, rooted in the historical experience of people of African descent. Intentionally, these essays seek to canonize Africana historical studies for the purposes of policy development, analysis, and practical application. Africana Cultures and Policy Studies calls for a relocation and synthesis of*

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policy-derived research emanating from public and private culture spheres. *The Age of Jim Crow: In The Age of Jim Crow*, Jane Dailey introduces readers to a fascinating collection of documents on race and segregation in America that were created between the end of the Civil War and the emergence of the Civil Rights Movement a century later. Organized around two themes, Dailey highlights the role of law in creating, maintaining, and -- ultimately -- helping to undo segregation. She also traces the effects of interracial sex and marriage as they shaped the era of Jim Crow. *The Age of Jim Crow* focuses throughout on sexuality and gender politics as they play out across the legal, social and economic, political, and cultural arenas. State University of New York Press, c The author stages a provocative and illuminating dialogue between various psychoanalytic theories primarily those of Lacan and various African-American literary and cultural texts particularly the novels of Richard Wright. Duke University Press, *Babylon Girls* is a groundbreaking cultural history of the African American women who performed in variety shows--chorus lines, burlesque revues, cabaret acts, and the like--between and Through a consideration of the gestures, costuming, vocal techniques, and stagecraft developed by African American singers and dancers, Jayna Brown explains how these women shaped the movement and style of an emerging urban popular culture. In an era of U. They pioneered dance movements including the cakewalk, the shimmy, and the Charleston--black dances by which the "New Woman" defined herself. These early-twentieth-century performers brought these dances with them as they toured across the United States and around the world, becoming cosmopolitan subjects more widely traveled than many of their audiences From the well-known performers Ada Overton Walker and Josephine Baker to lesser-known artists such as Belle Davis and Valaida Snow, Brown weaves the histories of specific singers and dancers together with incisive theoretical insights. She describes the strange phenomenon of blackface performances by women, both black and white, and she considers how black expressive artists navigated racial segregation. Fronting the "picaninny choruses" of African American child performers who toured Britain and the Continent in the early s, and singing and dancing in *The Creole Show*, *Darktown Follies*, and *Shuffle Along*, black women variety-show performers of the early twentieth century paved the way for later generations of African American performers. Brown shows not only how these artists influenced transnational ideas of the modern woman but also how their artistry was an essential element in the development of jazz. Perhaps no other writer is as synonymous with Harlem as James Baldwin *Barack Obama and African American Empowerment: Examines the evolution of black leadership and politics since the Civil Rights Movement. It looks at the phenomenon of Barack Obama, from his striking emergence as a successful candidate for the Illinois State Senate to President of the United States, as part of the continuum of African American political leaders. The reader also examines the evolving ideals about the roles of government and the economy in addressing the historic disadvantages experienced by many African Americans. The Best Kept Secret: Sociologist Coles Marquette Univ. The men are heads of households under different conditions. For example, one single father is openly gay, some have been married only once, others have never married, and others are single custodial fathers of nonbiological and biological children. There is little science in the book, but it provides a sensitizing moment despite its tendency to frame each theme within pedestrian US values. For example, the text stresses freedom of choice among the men. There is little attention to the limitations of choice. For this reason, the book has wide appeal for uncritical or one-dimensional thought. Coles should be commended for her tenacity to interpret some black male experiences with rearing children. Between Barack and a Hard Place: City Lights Books, c *Race is, and always has been, an explosive issue in the United States. But is this true? And does a reinforced white belief in color-blind meritocracy potentially make it harder to address ongoing institutional racism? After all, in housing, employment, the justice system, and education, the evidence is clear: Is black success making it harder for whites to see the problem of racism, thereby further straining race relations, or will it challenge anti-black stereotypes to such an extent that racism will diminish and race relations improve? Beyond Black and White: London [England] ; New York: In this new paperback edition, Manning Marable updates his classic work with a substantial new introduction encompassing his views on recent African-American politics and struggles against racism. Ohio State University Press, c James**

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Weldon Johnson, J. Rosamond Johnson, and Bob Cole combined conservative and progressive ideas in a complex and historically specific strategy for overcoming racism and its effects.

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African American journalists: autobiography as memoir and manifesto. Makes me wanna holler --Jake Lamar, Patricia Raybon, and the autobiographical manifesto form.

And thanks to Archie for taking time out of his cleaning schedule to check on me while I worked in my office at ungodly hours. My thanks also to those who read this at its incipient stage, and those who offered to read, like Jane Morgan and others whose names are too numerous to mention. I have plenty of work for you yet to come. Stephen Ryan at the Scarecrow Press also deserves thanks. You have much better authors under your aegis, but none more appreciative of the opportunity. The Study of African American Journalism Autobiography I tell you that it is the greatest good for a human being to have discussions every day about virtue and the other things you hear me talking about, examining myself and others, and that the unexamined life is not livable for a human being. This does not mean that no research has been done using the qualitative methods of the social sciences or the humanities, only that the quantitative approaches have been the preferred way of studying journalism. However, greater exploration of qualitative or humanistic approaches to journalism studies will allow scholars to carve out a significant pathway of scholarship into the three areas that I believe comprise scholarship into journalism: This book explores those three areas by focusing on the first. By examining the life stories of the people involved in creating journalism products, we can see how journalists participate in the journalism and how the stories they produce are dictated by their experience. Here, I examine selected autobiographies written by African American print journalists Jake Lamar, Jill Nelson, Nathan "ix" Introduction McCall, and Patricia Raybon in order to explore the synergistic relationship between race, class, gender, and journalism. By synergistic, I mean to imply more than a simple interconnectedness; I mean to suggest that the interactions between race, class, gender, and journalism in autobiography constitute something more than mere life stories. To this end, I explore how the authors turn autobiography and memoir into quasi-political documents that challenge the status quo in journalism by illuminating, through lived experience, newsroom practices that have been detrimental to the kind of diversity that allows journalism to fully inform readers. This is a study of journalism via the study of life stories. The memoirs written by Lamar, Nelson, McCall, and Raybon are the focus of discussion because these journalists worked in white mainstream newsrooms, and their autobiographies discuss their experiences in the newsroom. Moreover, all four began working in the mainstream press in the s, well after the ten-year anniversary of the Kerner Commission Report. Their memoirs are the first African American autobiographies written by print journalists to be published in the final decade of the twentieth century. A discussion of the importance of and current state of newsroom diversity, truth, objectivity, and memory serves to highlight concepts that serve as part of the foundation of this study. Another concept that will inform this study is standpoint theory, defined by Nancy Hartsock as a means of providing a Marxist critique of the relationship between gender and power in society. We can, for example, examine works by African Americans through the prism of standpoint theory as a way of illuminating the effects of white hegemony on people of color. Autobiography has a place of priority and privilege among the narrative traditions of African Americans because, as William Andrews says, autobiographies have historically been appropriated as a site from which African Americans can confront sociopolitical realities and suggest ways of altering them. Wood, as well as Hartsock's to the rest of the world. In this redefinition, life experience is incorporated into the structure of the scientific method. As a result, standpoint theory suggests a potential use for limited subjectivities in journalism. But what is the effect of the nonexistence of true objectivity, as suggested in standpoint epistemology, on the truth with regard to life writing by journalists? Does the nonexistence of true objectivity make the truth less true somehow? Standpoint theory suggests not. A standpoint is not simply a subjective position that is interested in promoting bias but an acknowledgment of the sense of being engaged within a specific field of experience. The purpose of standpoint theory, as articulated by feminist scholars, is not to explain a process inasmuch as it is to provide a

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critique of the power relations between men and women in society. In doing so, it lays the foundation for new ways of thinking about knowledge and being and for understanding the ways in which hegemonic domination is constructed. Eventually these relationships cease to be compatible with the developing forces of production. At this point, a revolution occurs and a new ruling class emerges. For Marx, the progress of history is driven by larger economic forces: This is accomplished by manipulating and exploiting those who are not in control in such a manner that they act against their own best interests. In the end, the Marxist concept of history is defined by a series of class struggles, given form and meaning by changes in economic structure. The Marxist view of societal evolution through revolution focuses not on radical shifts, but instead on gradual shifts in the structure and nature of changes between classes. However, Hartsock says that while Marxian theories of society are sufficient for discussing class relations, they are ultimately inadequate in accounting for gender or racial domination and their accompanying white and male supremacy. In *The Communist Manifesto*, Marx identifies two fundamental social classes, which are in conflict: Hartsock views the lives of women in much the same way that Marx views the lives of the proletariat. Material life class position in Marxist theory not only structures but sets limits on the understanding of social relations. If material life is structured in fundamentally opposing ways for two different groups, one can expect that the vision of each will represent an inversion of the other, and in systems of domination the vision available to the rulers will be both partial and perverse. The vision of the ruling class or gender structures the material relations in which all parties are forced to participate and therefore cannot be dismissed as simply false. In consequence, the vision available to the oppressed group must be struggled for and represents an achievement that requires both science to see beneath the surface of the social relations in which all are forced to participate and the education that can only grow from struggle to change those relations. As an engaged vision, the understanding of the oppressed, the adoption of a standpoint exposes the real relations among human beings as inhuman, points beyond the present, and carries a historically liberatory role. She also wants to redefine ways in which we view material culture, a key component of Marxian theories of society. The standpoint of the oppressed is not just different from that of the ruling class; it is also epistemologically advantageous. It provides the basis of for a view of reality that is more impartial than that of the ruling class and also more comprehensive. It is more impartial because it comes closer to representing the interests of society as a whole; whereas the standpoint of the ruling class reflects the interests of one section of the population, the standpoint of the oppressed represents the interests of the totality in that historical period. The underlying assumption is that the oppressed have witnessed all the ways in which people on every sociocultural level operate. A more inclusive understanding of the world arises from a situated experience of knowledge. One cannot be completely objective and rational if one views knowledge from a particular societal location. To show how this paradox has been resolved in feminist theory, Sandra Harding describes feminist standpoint as one of three responses to this paradox. Must there be Black and white, working-class and professional-class, American and Nigerian feminist standpoints? Is the feminist standpoint project still too firmly grounded in the historically disastrous alliance between knowledge and power characteristic of the modern epoch? Is it too firmly rooted in a problematic politics of essentialized identities? There must necessarily be a dominant perspective. Though standpoint comments on Marxism by proposing to engage in a quest for a more egalitarian means of power sharing and knowledge seeking, it does not provide the means by which the dominant perspective allows for power to be shared. Those privileged with power do not share it easily, if at all. New standpointsâ€”whether based on the fault lines of gender, race, or classâ€”must be presented as valid without being perceived as a threat to the prevailing one. Autobiography and memoir provide ways of showing that the lives of people who are members of groups situated outside the dominant perspective have currency and agency. In her analysis of the components, she discusses how they have been expressed in historical and modern-day contexts. She posits that the four basic components of standpointâ€”its thematic contents, its interpretive frameworks, its epistemological approaches, and its significance for empowermentâ€”have been shaped by a continually changing political context. Standpoint, as she describes it, is one of the features of black feminist thought that

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is situated in a particular sociohistorical background: Historically, racial segregation in housing, education, and employment fostered group commonalities that encouraged the formation of group-based, collective standpoint. For example, the heavy concentration of U. Black women in domestic work coupled with racial segregation in housing and schools meant that U. Black women had common organizational networks that enabled them to share experiences and construct a collective body of wisdom. This collective wisdom on how to survive as U. However, in black feminist thought, standpoint acknowledges another layer of oppression—“an additional prism through which power is refracted and reflected. Black womanhood exists as a community within a community and another point of contact. This means that there are multiple sociocultural locations that can be interpreted through the standpoint of black women. But then again, because of intra-racial conflicts, they may not. It is but one of many communities—“sociocultural locations, contact zones—“from which we can gain a fuller understanding of the world. A study that examines workplace issues through feminist standpoint theory is P. Furthermore, women experience masculinities mobilization, especially when combined with work, as harmful. For Durham, standpoint is a useful way for journalists to take into consideration the views of marginalized groups, and, as a result, advance journalism. In addition to theories about African American autobiography, the concept of the autobiographical manifesto as defined by Sidonie Smith also informs the discussion and serves as the framing narrative for each of the memoirs. The subject appropriates a space in the central standpoint from which to report his or her experience. Other autobiographical theories, specifically the concept of relational selves as articulated by Paul John Eakin and the aforementioned concept of autobiographical manifestos, will contribute to the exploration as well. Moreover, theories of newsroom culture will also serve as a location from which understanding of these journalism memoirs will take place. This is important because the newsroom is a particular culture that consists of what Edgar H. Theories of Autobiography In order to arrive at an understanding of the roles autobiography can play with relation to the previously discussed theories, the genre should be explored in relation to its meaning, its function for the writer, and its connection to experience. To John Sturrock, an autobiography has a nearmystical significance. Identities are not formed in isolation. They need the presence of other people shaping, directing, and xx Introduction conflicting with them. Thus, an autobiography is not a soliloquy of the self; it is dialogue and voice-over narration, individual and communal. The relational self becomes an individual standpoint informed by other individual standpoints. And autobiography is a way of reporting from those standpoints. What other roles can autobiographies fulfill besides the communication of personal experience? According to the literature, they exist not simply to put a name with a life story, but to put a life story with a name. The writer receives the identity belonging to a particular story. We then associate that writer with that story, with that lived experience. Is experience simply the memory of past events? It is the interconnectedness with others that forms the foundation of what is to be a complete life. Experience—“and evidence of experience—“is simply the foundation for something higher. It is not individuals who have experience, but subjects who are constituted through experience. Experience in this definition then becomes not the origin of our explanation, not the authoritative because seen or felt evidence that grounds what is known, but rather that which we seek to explain, that about which knowledge is produced. Her ideas provide a useful context for discussing African American autobiography because they illuminate the importance of the conflicted, contested nature of blackness. From this perspective, the weak canonical status of autobiography is an advantage, and its importance especially in recent years as a vehicle for members of minorities and inhabitants of third world countries is obvious.

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