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Speakers at Youth Conference Discuss Aspects of Problem.

"Youth and the Negro Problem" was the subject of the first session yesterday of a "Douglas-Lincoln Memorial Conference," held at International House, 500 Riverside Drive, under the joint auspices of the American section of the World Youth Alliance, the Intercollegiate Club of New York City, made up of groups of negro students, and the Young People's Fellowship, composed of members of the parish of St. Philip's Protestant Church, 134th Street and Seventh Avenue. More than 200 young men and women, both white and colored, attended the conference and took part in a forum discussion of various aspects of the negro problem. A. G. Dill, managing editor of *The Crisis*, was Chairman. Among the speakers were Devere Allen, editor of *The World Tomorrow*, and Alain Locke,

formerly Professor of Philosophy at Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Allen discussed social equality of the negro from the white man's point of view, while Mr. Locke presented the question from the point of view of the negro. Both speakers held that social equality was essential to the real freedom and progress of the negroes and that it would be the only means of combating existing evils in the relationship between the two races. Along with the development of the "new" negro, both speakers declared, whose cause is championed by such men as Howard Odum of the University of North Carolina, Eugene O'Neill and Paul Green, author of "In Abraham's Bosom," there has arisen a new white man who has cast aside old prejudices and is working for the social, intellectual and economic betterment of the colored race.

"There is no way of settling the negro question short of complete justice, complete equality, complete freedom of friendship. Youth must not think of any other way," Mr. Allen said.