THE WHITE MAGIC OF SYSTEMIC RACISM

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I am not surprised that Dr. Alberts has been unable to get this article published in twenty local and national newspapers and magazines. To ask those, in particular THE BOSTON GLOBE, to print the article when they have participated with the Mayor and the City Council in the attempt to deny access with real power to people of color...to acknowledge their racism may have been naive.

I'm glad Dr. Alberts took the time to do this article. I hope we can get the kind of circulation that is necessary.

I think it will be a significant work as an analysis of the contemporary situation. And not just for Boston. I think the article is going to have ramifications and applications for other parts of the country.

Its violence is often kept out of sight. Slow, merciless violence that doesn't let up. No immediate act that can be defended against. No instant pain that can be screamed at. No sudden injury that can be treated. Violence far more insidious and destructive than the overt symptomatic assaults it triggers.

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