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Compare and Contrast WEB Dubois to Booker T. Washington

The African American group is a part of the United States of America from the very beginning. Despite their unlimited contributions and sacrifices Africans have always been a victim of racial disparity. These people are struggling for their rights from a very long period; many leaders from their community also came up and highlighted the problem.

 In 1985, September an African spokesman and leader Booker T. Washington came up with his Atlanta Compromise Speech in front of a predominant audience of white Americans, according to which the black and white American should realize the fact that the united states of America need both groups to coexist in the same environment. According to him, the black people were a good source of labor for the country and the whites should not waste money on immigrant labor. He assured that the African community is hard working and diligent; hence they will never disappoint the country in the context of work. He also mentioned that the Africans should avoid moving to other countries instead they should stay and work in America as labors. His views were that the Africans should accept to compromise, however, the whites should respect them and their hard work equally.

 William Edward Burghardt Du Bois who was an American sociologist, Pan-Africanist and civil rights activist stood against the views of Booker T. Washington and criticized his speech. He spoke in defense of the African American community, and according to him Washington's speech and views will only strengthen the dominance of the white Americans. He declared that they want to be recognized as independent and free Americans, they want the same rights and liberty. He kept his points firm that if the Africans are equal to the whites, then they should not compromise in their living standards, education and in employment. They should not be kept limited to only labor jobs, and opportunities must be perceived by all the citizens of America equally.

 The criticism of W.E.B Du Bois was supported by the entire black community as his views and opinions were defending the rights of the entire black community. They depicted equality and equity instead of compromise from the Africans.

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