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Based on the theoretical reconstruction of neglected post–World War I writings and political action of W. E. B. Du Bois, this volume offers a normative account of transnational cosmopolitanism. Pointing out the limitations of Kant’s cosmopolitanism through a novel contextual account of *Toward Perpetual Peace*, *Transnational Cosmopolitanism* shows how these limits remain in neo-Kantian scholarship. Inés Valdez’s framework overcomes these limitations in a methodologically unique way, taking both Du Bois’s writings and his coalitional political action as texts that should inform our theorization and normative insights. The cosmopolitanism proposed in this work is an original contribution that questions the contemporary currency of Kant’s canonical approach and enlists overlooked resources to radicalize, democratize, and transnationalize cosmopolitanism.

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[A] prominent man who was trustee from Haverford College wrote [to *The Crisis*] to cancel his subscription . . . He said that, to his horror, while he was in London in 1924, he found that we were picketing The Strand with placards concerning lynching in the United States and he thought that it was a very bad way of washing the dirty linen of our own country in a foreign land. I read it with a degree of amusement and then replied that I was going to wash the linen anywhere I got soap and water.

W. E. B. Du Bois, interview with Moses Asch, 1961

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