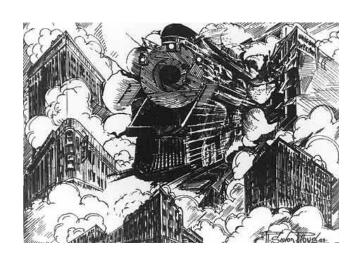
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THE MOUTHPIECE OF 14 MILLION PEOPLE

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THE ENGINE OF PROGRESS

Concern has been expressed in regards to the exploitation of Race savings by the institutions they are invested in. One man says these companies "generally exploit Negroes and certainly won't employ them above the level of janitor." Defender holds firm in the hope that there is a bright future ahead.

The Race community has established several of its own prosperous establishments that provide opportunities for Race men and women. Just last year, the Jordan building was constructed and set the precedent for an altered Race economic market and business potential.

Do not let the fear of failure keep you from coming north. If all your dreams do not come true, enough will come to pass to justify your actions.



THE GREAT NORTHERN DRIVE STARTS TODAY!



Race men and women: it is time to take matters into your own hands to escape the unviable conditions of the South. If you still reside where the lynching of the neighbor boy is public entertainment, where you do not profit from the crop you pick, or where your child gets textbooks from white school dumpsters, it is time to demand more. It is time to get fed up with the blatant segregation and dehumanization. The treatment of Race members by southern people does not warrant staying.

Join your northern Race counterparts who are profiting from the thriving northern industry. A different life is not out of reach. Today marks the official beginning of the Great Northern Drive and it is up to you to be a part of it. This movement is about preserving the lives of Race men and women and improving the quality of those lives by practicing rights that are lawfully ours.

SOLDIERS ASSIGNED TO HOUSTON

It has recently been announced that the all-Race Third Battalion, $24^{\rm th}$ infantry, will be stationed in Houston, Texas this summer at the training facility Camp Logan.

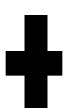
Houston was chosen by the War Department for its temperate climate, newly opened ship channel, and because it presently holds the largest Race community in the state of Texas. The city has reassured the War Department that there should be no issues with the placement of the Battalion.

The Battalion will be stationed in mid-August.

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STRANGERS WELCOME





ASK THE RACE:

Why Did You Leave the South?

- "Some of my people were here."
- "Persuaded by friends."
- "Better wages."
- "To better my conditions."
- "Better conditions."
- "Better living."
- "More work. I came on a visit and stayed."
- "Tired of the South."
- "To get away from the South."

Work Listings

Slaughterhouse:

Butchers Needed

Foundry:

Factory Workers Needed
Casting Metal

Railroad:

Luggage attendants wanted

Packing house:

Fruit sorters and packers needed

Domestic:

Housekeepers/Janitors
wanted

Train Schedule

Illinois Central Railroad:

Jackson, Tennessee to Chicago 7 p.m. EST

Atlantic Coast Line:

Florida to New York 8 a.m. EST

Seaboard Air Line:

Florida to New York 5 p.m. EST

Southern Pacific:

Texas to California 4 p.m. CT





FOR RENT:

1 room in
 a 4 bedroom
 flat in
 South
 Shore,
Chicago