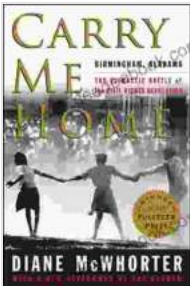


The Climactic Battle of the Civil Rights Revolution: The Montgomery Bus Boycott



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The Montgomery Bus Boycott was a pivotal event in the Civil Rights Movement. It was a year-long protest against the segregation of public transportation in Montgomery, Alabama. The boycott was led by Martin Luther King, Jr., and it eventually led to the desegregation of public transportation in the city. The boycott is considered to be one of the most important events in the Civil Rights Movement, and it helped to pave the way for the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The boycott began on December 1, 1955, after Rosa Parks, an African American woman, was arrested for refusing to give up her seat on a public bus to a white man. Parks' arrest sparked outrage in the African American community, and the boycott was organized in response. The boycott was supported by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and by many white allies. The boycott lasted for 381

days, and it ended with the desegregation of public transportation in Montgomery.

The Montgomery Bus Boycott was a major victory for the Civil Rights Movement. It demonstrated the power of nonviolent protest, and it helped to raise awareness of the issue of racial segregation. The boycott also helped to launch the career of Martin Luther King, Jr., who became one of the most important leaders of the Civil Rights Movement.

The Causes of the Montgomery Bus Boycott

The Montgomery Bus Boycott was caused by a number of factors, including:

- The segregation of public transportation in Montgomery. African Americans were forced to sit in the back of the bus, and they were often harassed by white passengers.
- The arrest of Rosa Parks. Parks' arrest was the final straw for many African Americans in Montgomery, who had been simmering with anger over the issue of segregation.
- The leadership of Martin Luther King, Jr. King was a young minister who had recently arrived in Montgomery. He quickly became a leader of the boycott, and he helped to organize and mobilize the African American community.

The Course of the Montgomery Bus Boycott

The Montgomery Bus Boycott lasted for 381 days. During that time, African Americans in Montgomery walked, biked, or carpooled to work and school. They also organized carpools to transport people to and from church and

other events. The boycott was a major inconvenience for the African American community, but it was also a powerful symbol of their determination to end segregation.

The boycott faced a number of challenges. White supremacists in Montgomery used violence and intimidation to try to break the boycott. They bombed the homes of boycott leaders, and they attacked and harassed African Americans who were trying to participate in the boycott. However, the boycott leaders remained steadfast in their commitment to nonviolence, and they refused to be intimidated by the violence.

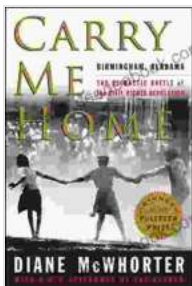
The Impact of the Montgomery Bus Boycott

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The Montgomery Bus Boycott also had a number of other important impacts, including:

- It helped to desegregate public transportation in Montgomery and other cities across the country.
- It helped to raise awareness of the issue of racial segregation, and it helped to galvanize the Civil Rights Movement.
- It helped to launch the career of Martin Luther King, Jr., who became one of the most important leaders of the Civil Rights Movement.

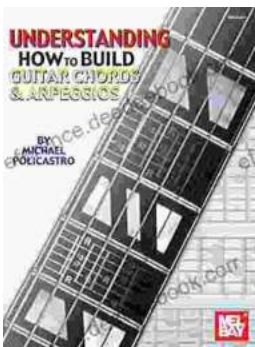
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