

The Conquest: The Untold Story of the African-American Pioneers Who Settled the American West



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The American West is often portrayed as a land of white settlers and Native Americans. But what is often forgotten is that African-Americans also played a significant role in the settling of the West.

In his groundbreaking book *The Conquest*, historian John Hope Franklin tells the story of the thousands of African-American pioneers who settled the American West. Drawing on extensive research, Franklin tells the stories of these brave men and women who faced unimaginable challenges to build a new life for themselves and their families.

The African-American pioneers who settled the West came from all walks of life. Some were former slaves who were seeking freedom and opportunity. Others were free blacks who were looking for a better life for themselves and their children. Still others were immigrants from Africa and the Caribbean who were hoping to find a place where they could start over.

No matter what their backgrounds, the African-American pioneers who settled the West shared a common goal: to create a better life for themselves and their families. They were willing to work hard, sacrifice, and even risk their lives to achieve their dreams.

The African-American pioneers who settled the West faced many challenges. They were often discriminated against by white settlers and Native Americans. They had to deal with the harsh climate and the dangers of the frontier. And they often had to struggle to find food, shelter, and clothing.

Despite the challenges they faced, the African-American pioneers who settled the West persevered. They built homes, schools, and churches. They established businesses and farms. And they raised families that would go on to shape the history of the West.

The story of the African-American pioneers who settled the West is a story of courage, determination, and hope. It is a story that has been largely forgotten, but it is a story that deserves to be told.

The Conquest is a powerful and moving account of the African-American pioneers who settled the American West. It is a must-read for anyone who is interested in American history or the history of the American West.

Reviews

"*The Conquest* is a groundbreaking work of history that tells the untold story of the African-American pioneers who settled the American West. John Hope Franklin has written a powerful and moving account of these brave men and women who faced unimaginable challenges to build a new life for themselves and their families." - Henry Louis Gates, Jr., author of *The Souls of Black Folk*

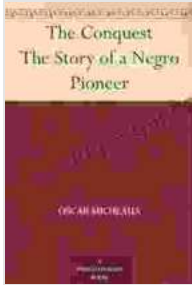
"*The Conquest* is a must-read for anyone who is interested in American history or the history of the American West. John Hope Franklin has written a definitive work on this important topic." - David McCullough, author of *John Adams* and *Truman*

About the Author

John Hope Franklin (1915-2005) was one of the most distinguished American historians of the 20th century. He was the author of more than 20 books, including *From Slavery to Freedom: A History of African Americans*, which is considered one of the most important works on the history of African Americans in the United States.

Franklin was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in 1915. He graduated from Fisk University in 1935 and earned a PhD from Harvard University in 1941. He taught at Howard University, Brooklyn College, and the University of Chicago before joining the faculty of Duke University in 1956. He remained at Duke until his retirement in 1985.

Franklin was a prolific writer and a gifted teacher. He received numerous awards for his work, including the Pulitzer Prize, the National Book Award, and the Presidential Medal of Freedom.



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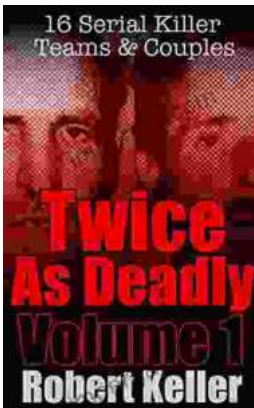
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