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**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS & MISSISSIPPI
IN 1955**

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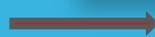
Subtitle INTRODUCTION

There were some important things to know if you were a teen living in Chicago and were going to visit relatives in Mississippi.

- 1.Chicago had more economic opportunities than Mississippi.
- 2.“Racial Etiquette” was strongly enforced in Mississippi (The American Folklife Center).
- 3.Fear curtailed the activities of teenagers in the South.




3 Takeaways

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1. CHICAGO HAD MORE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES THAN MISSISSIPPI.

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Living conditions were poor in both Chicago and Mississippi, but worse in Mississippi.

◆ Life was better in Chicago

- ◆ There were thriving black businesses
- ◆ They did not live in fear all the time

◆ The races were not integrated in Chicago

- ◆ In their neighborhoods called “Black Belt” or “Bronzeville” (The American Folklife Center).
- ◆ Or in their schools or social lives.

◆ Life was harder in Mississippi

- ◆ Businesses and jobs were controlled by the whites.
 - ◆ If they didn't follow the code of “racial etiquette” they could find themselves out of work, beat up or even killed.
- Blacks were subservient and oppressed.

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2. “Racial Etiquette” was strongly enforced in mississippi.

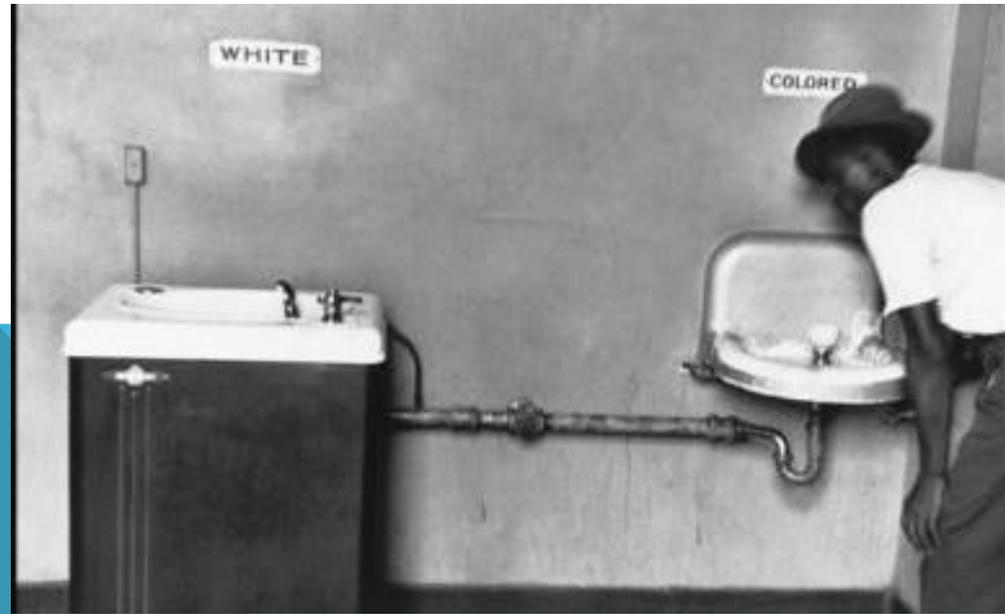
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- ◆ In Chicago, whites weren't united in preserving it like they were in Mississippi.
- ◆ In Mississippi, whites worked hard to preserve “proper racial etiquette”.
- ◆ Jim Crow laws and “separate, but equal” kept blacks inferior (PBS).

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http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/till/sfeature/sf_segregation.html

3. FEAR CURTAILED THE ACTIVITIES OF TEENAGERS IN THE SOUTH.

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- ◆ Teenagers in Chicago
 - ◆ Liked fashion, music, dancing and dating
 - ◆ Segregation existed but it wasn't violent like in the South
 - ◆ They didn't fear for their lives
- ◆ Teenagers in Mississippi
 - ◆ Didn't feel safe
 - ◆ Felt like whites were just waiting for them to mess up
- ◆ There were violent consequences in Mississippi for breaking "the code".



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CONCLUSION

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Reflection

Life was better in Chicago than in Mississippi

- ◆ Greater economic freedom
- ◆ “Racial Etiquette” not enforced
- ◆ Lived without fear of persecution

Reflection:

I would not have liked living in Mississippi in 1950s if I was black. I'm not sure I would have been as brave as many of them were. I don't think I would liked living there if I was white either. I would not have liked how the blacks were treated. I really admire the people who stood up for their rights during that time.



Graphic

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IMAGES



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Boys on car:

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Five men in hats: <https://encrypted->

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Graphic of nightlife: <http://3.bp.blogspot.com/->

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Man at drinking fountain:

http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/till/sfeature/sf_segregation.html

Picture of Bronzeville, Chicago:

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QUOTE FROM LEON FINNEY

← Heading

“I do remember...being in Mississippi...with my grandfather, and I went to try on this hat, because I’m from Chicago, I didn’t know the difference.

could buy a hat
could put it on
my grandfather
no, no, no, no...



thought if you
in Chicago, you
to see if it fits...
said, ‘No, no,
the Mississippi

sales clerk put a tape around my head and measured my head to see that it was the right size and then we bought the hat.

← Graphic

So that same kind of phenomenon would never have happened, didn’t happen in Chicago. If you wanted to buy a hat, you tried the hat on, you went into one of the stores, and that was it” (As quoted by PBS).

← Citations

Image five men in hats:

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