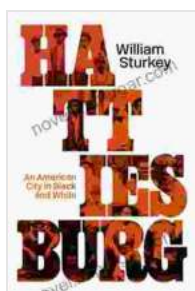


# Delve into the History of a Divided City: Hattiesburg, An American City in Black and White

In the heart of the Deep South, amidst the rolling hills and verdant forests of Mississippi, lies the city of Hattiesburg. A city with a complex and often tumultuous past, Hattiesburg's story is one of racial division, struggle, and ultimately, resilience. Now, in the captivating book "Hattiesburg: An American City in Black and White," renowned historian and author William Sturkey unveils the hidden layers of this fascinating city, shedding light on its triumphs and tribulations.



## Hattiesburg: An American City in Black and White

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## A City Divided

From its humble beginnings as a railroad town in the late 1800s, Hattiesburg grew rapidly, becoming a major center of commerce and industry in the region. However, beneath the surface of prosperity, a deep

racial divide was taking root. Like many cities in the Jim Crow era South, Hattiesburg enforced a strict system of segregation, relegating African Americans to separate neighborhoods, schools, and businesses.

The book delves into the everyday realities of life in a segregated city, exploring the challenges faced by African Americans in accessing education, employment, and basic services. It also examines the ways in which white residents benefited from and perpetuated the system of racial inequality.

### **The Civil Rights Movement**

The Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s brought about profound changes in Hattiesburg and across the nation. The book chronicles the courageous efforts of local activists, both black and white, who fought for equality and justice. It describes the nonviolent protests, sit-ins, and boycotts that challenged the status quo and ultimately led to the desegregation of schools, businesses, and public spaces.

### **The Path to Reconciliation**

Following the Civil Rights Movement, Hattiesburg embarked on a challenging journey towards reconciliation and healing. The book documents the efforts of community leaders, educators, and ordinary citizens who worked tirelessly to bridge the racial divide and create a more inclusive city. It explores the successes and setbacks along the way, highlighting the power of dialogue, understanding, and empathy.

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Today, Hattiesburg is a city transformed. While the legacy of segregation still lingers in some ways, the city has made significant progress towards

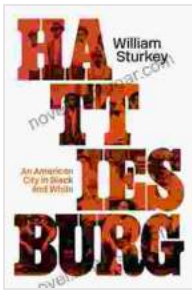
racial equality and reconciliation. The book concludes with a hopeful message, celebrating the resilience and determination of the people of Hattiesburg and offering a glimpse of a future where all citizens can truly thrive.

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Discover the captivating story of Hattiesburg, a city that has grappled with the complexities of race and emerged as a beacon of hope and progress. Free Download your copy of "Hattiesburg: An American City in Black and White" today and delve into a rich and unforgettable history.



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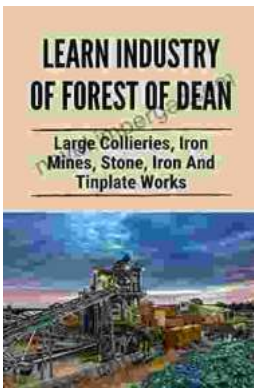


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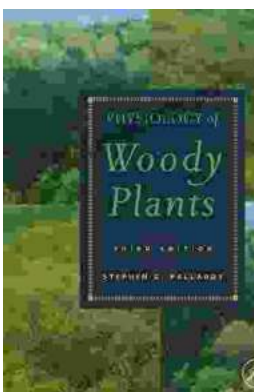
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