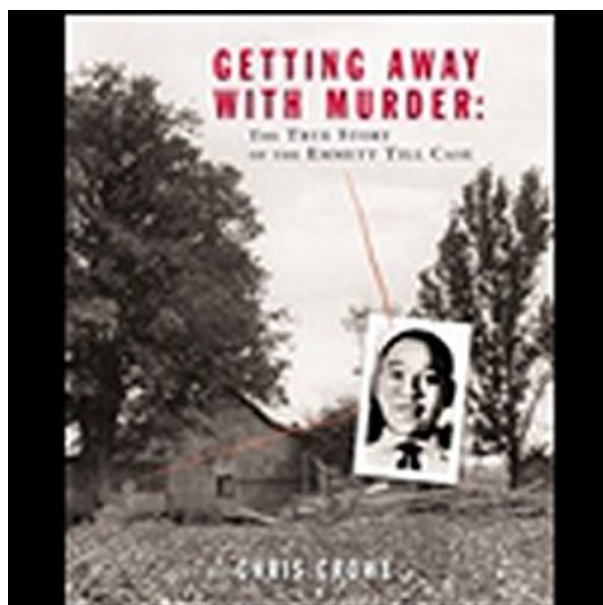


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Synopsis

Revised and updated with new information, this Jane Adams award winner is an in-depth examination of the Emmett Till murder case, a catalyst of the Civil Rights Movement. The kidnapping and violent murder of fourteen-year-old Emmett Till in 1955 was and is a uniquely American tragedy. Till, a black teenager from Chicago, was visiting family in a small town in Mississippi, when he allegedly whistled at a white woman. Three days later, his brutally beaten body was found floating in the Tallahatchie River. In clear, vivid detail Chris Crowe investigates the before-and-aftermath of Till's murder, as well as the dramatic trial and speedy acquittal of his white murderers, situating both in the context of the nascent Civil Rights Movement. Newly reissued with a new chapter of additional material--including recently uncovered details about Till's accuser's testimony--this book grants eye-opening insight to the legacy of Emmett Till. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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A good, albeit relatively brief, summary of this horrible incident in American history, including the sham trial and following fallout. I consider this a good reference book for one only wanting a quick reference without too much detail, while the book "Emmett Till" contains many more details and gives the reader a greater in-depth understanding of many factors relating to this incident, thus assuring greater objectivity. Still, I am glad I bought it and now have it.

Back in 1955, a young boy was tortured and murdered for something silly he did...most people today have forgotten about this incident or never knew about it at all. Although this book was written for young people, everyone should read this and reflect on how far we've come...we still can do much better however.

If you were approached on the street, by a stranger and asked, what did Emmett Till do to shape the world today? What would you respond. Most people would not know how to answer it due to they don't know who he is in the first place. But it would be a different story if you were asked what Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr. did. Your answer would most likely and should be around help gain equality for all races. But little do people know that what sparked that fire was Emmett Till. In the summer of 1955 two white males, Milam and Bryant demanded to be let into a shack occupied by Emmett Till and his Uncle's family. They then kidnapped Emmett, a fourteen year old African American boy from Chicago, tortured and eventually killed him. Several weeks later a fisherman found his body reported it. During the trial Milam and Bryant plead guilty to kidnapping but not to murder. Then from a jury of 12 white males they were found not guilty and let go of the murder of Emmett Till. "This is not a trial of racism or equality, this is trial or the murder of a boy" this was said by Milam and Bryant's Attorney. This was supposed to be the views of everyone in the courtroom for the trial of Emmett Till. But as you read in the book you'll see that this was nearly the case, Due to Emmett African background they didn't consider his murder as severe as of the murder of a white boy. This book won't be for all readers such as those that read for fun or just to pass the time. It's more targeted for those who like know what caused the civil equality and times views have changed over time due to the author being somewhat of a omniscient narrator, over viewing the whole case but from a bit of a bias stand point leaning to the unjust side. The views shift from the white Americans, to African Americans point of view but stays most on the injustice of the judicial system of the white America in the mid 1900's. But overall it add knowledge to the reason of how America came to be America.

A tragic and horrendous story, and all true. Happened here in the USA. Very sad commentary on that era in our country's history. It is a famous incident in the civil rights story...very much one to read. The book is in excellent condition, the price was great. I would recommend this seller to others for sure.

There was so much that I didn't know about this case that I learned from this book. I recommend it

to everyone.

Tragic and Compelling Story - a sad reminder for us all.

Had to purchase for school. Interesting story.

I've studied the history of the Till case for many years. This book provided a different perspective of what happened; more graphic, more realistic, and it brought everything to light. Such a simple innocent thing as whistling at a woman changed the world forever.

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