

# The Ghosts of 1898

**WILMINGTON'S RACE RIOT AND THE RISE OF WHITE SUPREMACY**



Destruction of The Daily Record of Wilmington, said to be the only black-owned daily newspaper in the United States at the time, by white supremacists.

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**O**n Nov. 10, 1898, armed white men marched through the black sections of Wilmington, murdering all who dared to challenge them. As violence filled the streets, others snatched control of the government. After installing themselves in power, they banished at least 21 successful blacks and their white allies. Although it is one of the most significant chapters in state history, it is a story many have never heard. In this special report, historian Timothy B. Tyson describes the carefully orchestrated campaign that spread white supremacy across North Carolina and the South. He explains how many of the region's leading figures and institutions seized power, altering the state's history and creating a legacy that haunts us still.

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