Depictions of Life in the North
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Apartment building in a black section of Chicago.
April 1941, Credit: Russell Lee

Corner of kitchen of apartment rented to Negroes.
1941. Credit: Russell Lee

Front room of apartment rented by Negroes. Ida B. Wells Housing Project can be seen through the window. 1941. Credit: Russell Lee
Frank Williams, working on the car repair tracks at an Illinois Central Railroad yard. Mr. Williams came to Chicago from Pocahontas, Mississippi. November 1942, Credit: Jack Delano

The bar at the Palm Tavern, Negro restaurant on 47th Street. Chicago. April 1941, Credit: Russell Lee

Negro carrying sign in front of milk company. Chicago. 1941 July. Credit: John Vachon