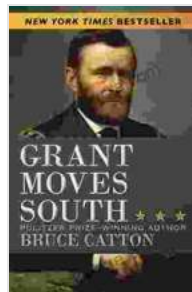


Grant Moves South: A Pivotal Campaign in the Civil War

In the spring of 1863, the Union Army under Ulysses S. Grant launched a bold campaign to move south into Confederate territory. This campaign, known as the Vicksburg Campaign, was a pivotal moment in the Civil War and helped to shape the course of the conflict.

Grant's decision to move south was a risky one. The Confederate Army was well-entrenched in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and the Union Army would have to cross the Mississippi River in order to attack. However, Grant believed that a victory at Vicksburg would be a major turning point in the war. He knew that Vicksburg was a key Confederate stronghold and that its capture would cut off the Confederacy's access to the Mississippi River.



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The Vicksburg Campaign began in April 1863. Grant's army crossed the Mississippi River and marched south towards Vicksburg. The Confederate

Army, under the command of General John Pemberton, met Grant's army at the Battle of Champion Hill. The Union Army won a decisive victory at Champion Hill, and the Confederates were forced to retreat into Vicksburg.

Grant's army then laid siege to Vicksburg. The siege lasted for seven weeks, and the Union Army slowly tightened its grip on the city. The Confederates were outnumbered and outgunned, and they eventually surrendered on July 4, 1863.

The Vicksburg Campaign was a major victory for the Union Army. It gave the Union control of the Mississippi River and split the Confederacy in two. The victory also boosted the morale of the Union Army and helped to turn the tide of the war in favor of the Union.

The Battle of Champion Hill

The Battle of Champion Hill was a key engagement in the Vicksburg Campaign. The battle was fought on May 16, 1863, and the Union Army won a decisive victory.

The Confederate Army, under the command of General John Pemberton, had taken up a strong defensive position on Champion Hill. Pemberton's army was well-entrenched and outnumbered the Union Army. However, Grant was determined to attack and he ordered his army to advance.

The Union Army attacked the Confederate positions from three directions. The fighting was fierce, but the Union Army slowly gained ground. The Confederates were eventually forced to retreat and the Union Army won the battle.

The Battle of Champion Hill was a major turning point in the Vicksburg Campaign. The Union Army's victory gave them control of the high ground around Vicksburg and allowed them to begin the siege of the city.

The Siege of Vicksburg

The Siege of Vicksburg lasted for seven weeks, from May 18 to July 4, 1863. The Union Army slowly tightened its grip on the city, and the Confederates were eventually forced to surrender.

The Confederates were outnumbered and outgunned during the siege. They also suffered from a lack of food and supplies. The Union Army, on the other hand, was well-supplied and had a strong artillery force.

The Union Army bombarded Vicksburg for weeks, and the city was eventually reduced to ruins. The Confederates were forced to surrender on July 4, 1863.

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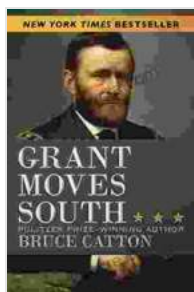
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