

Primary Sources

"4 CONTRACT BUYERS LET OUT OF JAIL." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Sep 15, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169877565?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article shows the conflicts that the Contract Buyers League was involved in. In this case, the CBL members were jailed for being uncooperative. It shows the negative side to resistance.

"Bob Cromie." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Jan 08, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169012308?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article showed the Jesuits and their backing of the Contract Buyers League. It also had some good content that cited those that worked on organizing the members on their motives, etc.

"BUYERS LEAGUE FOILS EVICTION OF 2 FAMILIES." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Jan 06, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169023359?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article was very important in showing the successes of the Contract Buyers League, especially because of the success in fighting two evictions.

"BUYERS LEAGUE MEMBER TOLD TO MOVE OUT." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Aug 11, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169846774?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article showed some of the conflicts and encounters that the CBL had with the police and with the homeowners

Cromie, Bob. "Contract Buyers are Angry." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Jan 07, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169002316?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article, titled "Contract Buyers are Angry" offered an insight into how the outside world viewed the actions of the CBL.

Enstad, Robert. "4 Years, Demonstrations, Evictions, then Compromise." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Jan 30, 1972,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/170217263?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article reports on the success of the Contract Buyers League cases in court. It was helpful in showing the compromises through legislation that were made.

"HOME BUYERS APPEAR." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Jul 18, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169868837?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This report showed the appearance of the CBL in the local and national news. It helped us understand the timeline and the relevance of the CBL.

Macnamara, John. Report no. Vol 1 Issue 4 Article 7. Review of Law and Social Action, Yale University. 1971. <http://digitalcommons.law.yale.edu/yrlsa/vol1/iss4/7> .

This is a report by John MacNamara, a Jesuit priest who helped organize the Contract Buyers League. It will offer insight into the inner workings of the Contract Buyers League, especially from a first-person source. John MacNamara was an important leader in the League, so he is in a good place to inform about the League and what it was. This will be a good first-person account and add great insight to the project.

Moser, Whet. "Photos: Chicago's Black Belt During the Great Migration." *Chicago magazine*. May 23, 2013. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagomag.com/Chicago-Magazine/The-312/May-2013/Photos-Chicagos-Black-Belt-1941/#/11>.

This photo series is from photographers Edwin Rosskam and Russell Lee who photographed the South Side during 1941. This was during the Great Migration and at time when the South Sides "blackbelt" was largely growing. It offers alternative to the textual information about this time and helps paint a portrait of life leading up to the contract buyers league.

Phillips, Richard. "Contract Buyers Lose Suit." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Apr 17, 1976,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169432350?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018).

This article demonstrated the failure of the Contract Buyers League in their first round of lawsuits. It helped us analyze the compromises through legislation.

Robert K. Nelson, LaDale Winling, Richard Marciano, Nathan Connolly, et al., "Mapping Inequality," *American Panorama*, ed. Robert K. Nelson and Edward L. Ayers, accessed February 12, 2018,

<https://dsl.richmond.edu/panorama/redlining/#loc=9/41.9435/-87.7050&opacity=0.8&sort=45,295&text=about&city=chicago-il>.

This is a map series with the goal of showing housing inequality under the New Deal in the 1930's and how that racism is still being felt today. This source is very good for getting background on racial segregation and housing policy in Chicago that led up to the Contract Buyers League. Contracts in the neighborhoods and redlining are closely connected and these maps shed light on the severity of the situation.

"Sheriff's Men Evict 4 Contract Buyers After Sealing Block." *Chicago Tribune (1963-Current File)*, Mar 31, 1970,

<http://gatekeeper.chipublib.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.gatekeeper.chipublib.org/docview/169032457?accountid=303> (accessed April 10, 2018)

This article showed the dangers that the contract buyers put themselves in, and it also helped us realize the negative sides of the conflicts that the CBL created.

Secondary Sources

Aaronson, Daniel. "The Effects of the 1930s HOLC "Redlining" Maps." Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. November 12, 2017. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagofed.org/publications/working-papers/2017/wp2017-12>

This is a study from three members of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, titled "The Effects of the 1930s HOLC 'Redlining' Maps". To summarize the paper, in the 1930's the Home Owners Loan Corporation (HOLC) tried to find the creditworthiness of properties in several American cities. The effects of these maps were traced out over the course of the 20th and 21st centuries.

Brotman, Barbara. "Decades later, black homebuyers' battle for justice back in spotlight." *Chicagotribune.com*. July 26, 2015. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/ct-contract-buyers-league-20150724-story.html>.

This video follows Clyde Ross through his experience with the Contract Buyers league and gives a generalization about the organization and the work it did through his eyes. It was very helpful for first person interviews and perspectives, and we used clips from the video throughout our project.

Burns, Rebecca. "The Chicago Reader." *Chicago Reader*. March 1, 2017. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagoreader.com/chicago/the-contract-buyers-league-strikes-back/Slideshow/25710831/25711726>.

This was a source for pictures of the Contract Buyers League. It offered some interesting insight into the protests that the CBL put on.

Burns, Rebecca. "The infamous practice of contract selling is back in Chicago." *Chicago Reader*. February 12, 2018. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagoreader.com/chicago/contract-selling-redlining-housing-discrimination/Content?oid=25705647>.

This is an article outlining how contract buying is making a comeback in some form or another. This article will be essential in determining the successfulness of the organization. In order to truly understand this topic, the past and future around it must also be examined, and this article is one way to look at the impact of the Contract Buyers League.

Coates, Ta-Nehisi. "The Case for Reparations." *The Atlantic*, August 17, 2017. Accessed February 10, 2017. www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/06/the-case-for-reparations/361631/.

This was another main secondary source that followed Clyde Ross and others from the Great Migration through the Contract Buyers League. It allowed a lot of insight into the Contract Buyers League from the great migration to Lawndale today.

"Contract Buyers League." CBL: Contract Buyers League. July 9, 2015.

contractbuyersleague.blogspot.com/search/label/Homeowners.

This article is from the exhibition that happened with the Contract Buyers League in Chicago.

The diagram from one exhibit explained contract buying in a very helpful manner.

Finley, Mary Lou. "Chicago Reporter » Black History Month." *Chicago Reporter*. December 31, 1969. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagoreporter.com/tag/black-history-month/>.

The general idea received from this article, was that this system of redlining had been continuing in Chicago many decades prior (and in fact, is the reason why Chicago is so segregated even to this day) and the Contract Buyers League was the first organization to stand up to this and give a voice to African American homeowners who had been wronged.

Friedman, Brandis. "Contract Buyers League." *Chicago Tonight | WTTW*. August 7, 2014.

Accessed February 12, 2018.

<https://chicagotonight.wttw.com/2014/08/07/contract-buyers-league?mini=2018-04>

This article is immensely helpful due to the fact that it talks more about the financial logistics. It explains what a contract buyer is, what contract sellers are, how speculators would manipulate families and explained why African Americans were so desperate to move out of their neighborhoods.

Hirsch, Arnold R. *Making the second ghetto: race and housing in Chicago, 1940-1960*. Chicago: Univ. of Chicago Press, 2000.

This book outlines racism and housing policies in Chicago and was very helpful in analyzing Chicago after the CBL.

"Home Owners Loan Corporation." Roosevelt Institute. October 23, 2015. Accessed February 12, 2018. <http://rooseveltinstitute.org/home-owners-loan-corporation/>

This article was about the HOLC or the Home Owners Loan Corporation, that helped many Americans but also reinforced racism with extensive redlining.

"Inside the Battle for Fair Housing in 1960s Chicago." The Atlantic. May 21, 2014. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.theatlantic.com/video/index/371360/the-story-of-clyde-ross-and-the-contract-buyers-league/>.

This is a video, produced by the Atlantic, bringing to light the issues of housing segregation and the Contract Buyers League in the 1960's. This video has very good primary interviews with some members of the Contract Buyers league and those who held bad contracts in Chicago's housing. The video also includes footage from various videos relating to the Contract Buyers league, pertaining mainly to news clips.

Moser, Whet. "How Redlining Segregated Chicago, and America." Chicago magazine. August 22, 2017. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagomag.com/city-life/August-2017/How-Redlining-Segregated-Chicago-and-America/>.

This was a source about redlining and it's long lasting effects. It provided some analysis of redlining maps created by the HOLC.

Satter, Beryl. *Family Properties: How the Struggle over Race and Real Estate Transformed Chicago and Urban America*. New York, NY: Henry Holt & Co., 2010.

This book thoroughly outlined the Contract Buyers League and was a main secondary source in this project. It offered some very specific details into the inner workings and decisions of the contract buyers league.

Schmich, Mary. "MLK's legacy in Lawndale a work in progress." Chicagotribune.com. January 28, 2016. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/columnists/schmich/ct-lawndale-martin-luther-king-mary-schmich-met-0126-20160126-column.html>

This was about the impact of MLK in Chicago through the freedom movement. It was particularly helpful because it talked about the freedom movement in Lawndale.

Seligman, Amanda. "North Lawndale." *Encyclopedia Chicago*. 2005.

<http://www.encyclopedia.chicagohistory.org/pages/901.html>

This article showed the history of North Lawndale, from its Jewish history to the current situation. It talks about the changing layout of the neighborhood.

Tribune, Chicago. "Contract selling: \$500 million "legally stolen" from Chicago's African-Americans." *Chicagotribune.com*. July 24, 2015. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/84071552-132.html>

This article contained some very good videos and interviews with original members of the Contract Buyers League. It also gave a good outline of the Contract Buyers League.

Wilkerson, Isabel. "The Long-Lasting Legacy of the Great Migration." *Smithsonian.com*. September 01, 2016. Accessed February 12, 2018.

<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/long-lasting-legacy-great-migration-180960118/>

This article by the Smithsonian explains how the Great Migration — the movement of millions of Southern, rural African Americans to Northern cities — remade the nation. The migration had profound effects on the city's culture, demographics, and landscape. It resulted in a competition for living space in major cities and led to the establishment of segregated neighborhoods, many of which still exist today. It is this establishment of segregated neighborhoods that thus leads us into our topic.