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Sommario/riassunto	During the Great Depression, black intellectuals, labor organizers, and artists formed the National Negro Congress (NNC) to demand a ""second emancipation"" in America. Over the next decade, the NNC and its offshoot, the Southern Negro Youth Congress, sought to coordinate and catalyze local antiracist activism into a national movement to undermine the Jim Crow system of racial and economic

exploitation. In this pioneering study, Erik S. Gellman shows how the NNC agitated for the first-class citizenship of African Americans and all members of the working class, establishing civil rights as nece
