

## Marcus Garvey August 17, 1887 - June 10, 1940

Marcus Garvey was a businessman and supporter of the Buy Black movement who started many companies during the early 1900s.

- Marcus was a Jamaican who founded a group called the Universal Negro Improvement Association (U.N.I.A.) to help Black people all over the world improve their lives.
- His business grew and there were chapters in over 40 countries, it became the largest Black organization in history.
- He ran many other businesses, including: newspapers, shipping and trucking companies, and a factory.
- Through his companies Marcus was able to provide jobs for thousands of people in New York.
- Through his tours, speeches, and parades Marcus helped Black people all over the world understand the importance of being unified and independent.