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beginning with woodrow wilson and u s entry into world war i and closing with the great depression the perils of prosperity traces the transformation of america from an agrarian moralistic isolationist nation into a liberal industrialized power involved in foreign affairs in spite of itself william e leuchtenburg s lively yet balanced account of this hotly debated era in american history has been a standard text for many years this substantial revision gives greater weight to the roles of women and minorities in the great changes of the era and adds new insights into literature the arts and technology in daily life he has also updated the lists of important dates and resources for further reading this book gives us a rare opportunity to enjoy the matured interpretation of an american historian who has returned to the story and seen how recent decades have added meaning and vividness to this epoch of our history daniel j boorstin from the preface

explains how the american middle class ballooned at mid century until it dominated the nation showing who benefited and what brought the expansion to an end

in this stimulating volume stephen m krason considers whether the founding fathers vision of the american democratic republic has been transformed and if so in what ways he looks to the basic principles of the founding fathers then discusses the changes that resulted from evolving contemporary expectations about government referencing philosophical principles and the work of great western thinkers krason then explores a variety of proposals that could forge a foundation for restoration acknowledging that any attempt to revive the founders views on a democratic republic must start in the public sphere krason focuses on concerned citizens who are aware of the extent to which our current political structures deviate from the founders vision and want to take action ultimately a democratic republic can exist be sustained and flourish only when there is a deep commitment to it in the minds and norms of its people written by a foremost authority in the field of us constitutional law this book will appeal to those interested in american history society and politics

this is the first book to offer a comprehensive look at american life in the 1920s as framed by the aspirations scandals and attitudes of the wilson harding coolidge and hoover presidencies in fascinating detail goldberg examines how victorian values were transformed into the freewheeling lifestyle of the jazz age and explores the effects of such far reaching issues as isolationism vs internationalism massive immigration labor management relations and the prevalence of big business even as he pierces the era s claim to being a time of wonderful nonsense goldberg balances its giddy fads and foibles with a stinging critique of darker and or significant social issues from the rise of the ku klux klan to black protests to the scopes monkey trial from bootlegging and prohibition to the red scare goldberg shows how the temper of the 1920s shaped the nation s future finally he poses provocative questions about how mistakes might have been avoided and what consequences ensued

fdr s republicans illuminates the debate over foreign policy that took place in the united states prior to world war ii robert e jenner

approaches this issue from the perspective of republican members of the house and senate who eventually came to support the interventionist position of a democratic president unlike other diplomatic histories of this period fdr's republicans focuses on domestic components of the foreign policy debate combining historical analysis and political theory jennett recounts the republican party's internationalist roots under mckinley the split of 1912 and the defeat of the league of nations in deference to its agrarian progressive wing taking both a local and national approach he provides in depth analysis of the party's reaction to the fdr landslides of 1932 and 1936 the party's resurgence in 1938 fdr's aggressive defense of the new deal and the decline of the party's agrarian progressive faction the result is a broader explanation of the battle that raged between isolationists and interventionists as well as the failure of policy makers to deter fascism at an earlier date

in 1916 philadelphia department store magnate john wanamaker launched plans for a sesqui centennial international exposition in 1926 it would be a magnificent world's fair to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the declaration of independence the sesqui would also transform sooty industrial philadelphia into a beautiful beaux arts city however when the sesqui opened on may 31 1926 in the remote muddy swamps of south philadelphia the fair was unfinished with a few shabbily built and mostly empty structures crowds stayed away in droves fewer than five million paying customers attended costing the city millions of dollars philadelphia became a national scandal a city so corrupt that one political boss could kidnap an entire world's fair in his fascinating history sesqui noted historian thomas keels situates this ill fated celebration a personal boondoggle by the all powerful congressman william s vane against the transformations taking place in america during the 1920s keels provides a comprehensive account of the sesqui as a meeting ground for cultural changes sweeping the country women's and african american rights anti semitism eugenics prohibition and technological advances

while americans still profess to be one of the most religious people in the industrialized world many aspects of american culture have long been secular and materialistic that is just one of the many paradoxes contradictions and surprises in the relationship between christianity and american culture in this book george marsden a leading historian of american christianity and award winning author tells the story of that relationship in a concise and thought provoking way surveying the history of religion and american culture from the days of the earliest european settlers right up through the elections of 2016 marsden offers the kind of historically and religiously informed scholarship that has made him one of the nation s most respected and decorated historians students in the classroom and history readers of all ages will benefit from engaging with the story marsden tells

this book provides a history of presbyterians in american culture from the early eighteenth to the late twentieth century longfield assesses both the theological and cultural development of american presbyterianism with particular focus on the mainline tradition that is expressed most prominently in the presbyterian church u s a he explores how presbyterian churches and individuals rooted in those churches influenced and were influenced by the values attitudes perspectives beliefs and ideals assumed by americans in the course of american history the book will serve as an important introduction to presbyterian history that will interest historians students and church leaders alike

born in rural western pennsylvania harold leclair ickes 1874 1952 son of a gambler womanizer drunk father and of a strictly reared presbyterian mother grew up desperately poor and desperately ambitious he became a chicago newsman during its gilded era a key figure in the progressive party and in fdr s cabinet became america s longest serving and most influential interior secretary as interior secretary he helped change the face of america forging that department into the most powerful tool for the protection of our lands he was also a major force in reshaping the character and quality of american society often seeming to

speaking ex cathedra as the conscience of FDR's administration, opinionated, vigorously outspoken, as impassioned defending minorities, as defending our wild places. Ickes, who happily styled himself the old curmudgeon, was arguably the most controversial and most beloved figure in the New Deal. When Ickes wrote his first column in the *New Republic*, the editors of the magazine introduced him on May 2, 1949, as old enough to be called an elder statesman but he is too salty for that label. He himself has cheerfully accepted the epithet of curmudgeon, which likewise is insufficient to his case. A more accurate description would be that he is America's most venerable progressive and one of the stoutest fighters at any age for justice and good government. *Righteous Pilgrim* was a non-fiction National Book Award finalist in 1990 and received the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize for biography in 1991 and was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. An outstanding biography that is also a major work of social history spanning the first half of the 20th century, Ickes was a courageous public servant who in *Righteous Pilgrim* receives long overdue recognition. Herbert Mitgang, *The New York Times*, highly successful, written in a delightful conversational style that disguises the impressive scholarly research that went into its preparation. This is an appreciative biography of a man who was so temperamental, thin-skinned, and bluntly outspoken that he acknowledged these traits himself. This thoughtful, readable, and yet gripping book is so persuasive it may well force a more positive reassessment of the New Deal. *Righteous Pilgrim* is likely to be one of the most significant histories of the progressive and New Deal reform impulse to appear in a decade. Howard R. Lamar, *Washington Post*, an elegant and exhaustive new biography of Ickes using primary sources such as the diary Ickes religiously maintained through most of his life. With great sensitivity, Watkins provides an astonishingly intimate portrait of a public man. Watkins, editor of the *Wilderness Society Magazine*, *Wilderness* is a wonderfully skillful writer as Watkins powerfully demonstrates in this rewarding and illuminating work. Ickes had no shortage of ego, but his real fuel was conviction, burning at an octane hardly ever seen in Washington. Any more. Ronald Brownstein, *Los Angeles Times*, an engaging, monumental biography. *Publishers Weekly*.

researched with amazing thoroughness and organized with a sure hand this will undoubtedly prove to be the definitive work on harold l ickes watkins portrays the currents of political maneuvering that swirled and eddied about ickes with admirable clarity a complex fascinating and convincing portrait kirkus reviews a worthy well written biography clayton r koppes reviews in american history harold ickes was one of the most interesting political figures of the first half of the twentieth century and t h watkins vividly sets forth both the complexities of his personality and personal life and the remarkable scope of his achievements frank freidel a superbly written story of the preeminent progressive of this century i couldn t put it down stewart l udall righteous pilgrim is one of those rare and wonderful biographies that are at once incisive portraiture and important social history wallace stegner harold ickes stomps across the pages of t h watkins s biography as one of the most arresting and essential figures of the american twentieth century frederick turner at last a biography worthy of its extraordinary subject vivid impassioned larger than life geoffrey c ward

in the right to rule american exceptionalism and the coming multipolar world order hugh de santis explores the evolution of american exceptionalism and its effect on the nation s relations with the external world de santis argues that the self image of an exceptional providentially blessed society unlike any other is a myth that pays too little heed to the history that shaped america s emergence including its core beliefs and values which are inheritances from seventeenth century england from the republic s founding to its rise as the world s preeminent power american exceptionalism has underpinned the nation s foreign policy but it has become an anachronism in the twenty first century de santis argues that in the emerging multipolar world order the united states will be one of several powers that determine the structure and rules of international politics rather than the sole arbiter

debates about poverty and inequality in the united states frequently invoke the early twentieth century as a time when new social

legislation helped moderate corporate power but as historian daniel amsterdam shows the relationship between business interests and the development of american government was hardly so simple roaring metropolis reconstructs the ideas and activism of urban capitalists roughly a century ago far from antigovernment stalwarts business leaders in cities across the country often advocated extensive government spending on an array of social programs they championed public schooling public health the construction of libraries museums parks and playgrounds and decentralized cities filled with freestanding homes a set of initiatives that they believed would foster political stability and economic growth during an era of explosive often chaotic urban expansion the efforts of businessmen on this front had deep historical roots but bore the most fruit during the 1920s an era often misconstrued as an antigovernment moment as daniel amsterdam illustrates public spending soared across urban america during the decade due in part to businessmen s political activism with a focus on three different cities detroit philadelphia and atlanta and a host of political groups organized labor machine politicians african american and immigrant activists middle class women s groups and the ku klux klan roaring metropolis traces businessmen s quest to build cities and nurture an urban citizenry friendly to capitalism and the will of urban capitalists

from 1922 to 1936 the presbyterian church in the u s a was torn by conflict fundamentalists led by clarence e macartney william jennings bryan and j gresham machen modernists guided by henry sloane coffin and moderates directed by charles r erdman and robert e speer struggled over theological questions and their implications for such issues as ordination requirements the role of princeton theological seminary and foreign missions the church managed to maintain its institutional unity at the height of the conflict in the mid 1920s but the struggle resulted in a loosening of the church s doctrinal standards the reorganization of princeton seminary the founding of westminster theological seminary and the eventual birth of the presbyterian church of america weaving together the history of this ecclesiastical conflict with biographies of the six leaders longfield shows that theological

concerns though primary were not the only issues in the struggle he demonstrates that social and cultural considerations profoundly contributed to the roles of the leaders and to the outcome of the conflict finally longfield traces the current decline of the presbyterian church and other mainline denominations back to this period arguing that by embracing doctrinal pluralism they undermined the very foundations of their mission to the world he concludes that renewal can only be based on a biblical and creedal faith distinct from the values and norms of the surrounding culture

from the new york times bestselling author of democracy awakening the most comprehensive account of the gop and its competing impulses los angeles times when abraham lincoln helped create the republican party on the eve of the civil war his goal was to promote economic opportunity for all americans not just the slaveholding southern planters who steered national politics yet despite the egalitarian dream at the heart of its founding the republican party quickly became mired in a fundamental identity crisis would it be the party of democratic ideals or would it be the party of moneyed interests in the century and a half since republicans have vacillated between these two poles with dire economic political and moral repercussions for the entire nation in to make men free celebrated historian heather cox richardson traces the shifting ideology of the grand old party from the antebellum era to the great recession revealing the insidious cycle of boom and bust that has characterized the party since its inception while in office progressive republicans like teddy roosevelt and dwight eisenhower revived lincoln s vision of economic freedom and expanded the government attacking the concentration of wealth and nurturing upward mobility but they and others like them have been continually thwarted by powerful business interests in the party their opponents appealed to americans latent racism and xenophobia to regain political power linking taxation and regulation to redistribution and socialism the results of the party s wholesale embrace of big business are all too familiar financial collapses like the panic of 1893 the great depression in 1929 and the great recession in 2008 with each passing decade with each missed opportunity and political misstep the schism

within the republican party has grown wider pulling the gop ever further from its founding principles expansive and authoritative to make men free is a sweeping history of the party that was once america s greatest political hope and time and time again has proved its greatest disappointment

the state of new york is virtually a nation unto itself long one of the most populous states and home of the country s most dynamic city new york is geographically strategic economically prominent socially diverse culturally innovative and politically influential these characteristics have made new york distinctive in our nation s history in new york state peoples places and priorities joanne reitano brings the history of this great state alive for readers clear and accessible the book features primary documents and illustrations in each chapter encouraging engagement with historical sources and issues timelines for every chapter along with lists of recommended reading and websites themes of labor liberty lifestyles land and leadership running throughout the text coverage from the colonial period up through the present day including the great recession and andrew cuomo s governorship highly readable and up to date new york state peoples places and priorities is a vital resource for anyone studying teaching or just interested in the history of the empire state

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