

A Concise History Of The New Deal

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the first book to globalize the history of the new deal this is an amazing tour de force with fresh insights on virtually every page akira iriye harvard university co winner of the world history association jerry bentley book prize the new deal a global history provides a radically new interpretation of a pivotal period in us history the first comprehensive study of the new deal in a global context the book compares american responses to the international crisis of capitalism and democracy during the 1930s to responses by other countries around the globe not just in europe but also in latin america asia and other parts of the world work creation agricultural intervention state planning immigration policy the role of mass media forms of political leadership and new ways of ruling america s colonies all had parallels elsewhere and unfolded against a backdrop of intense global debates by avoiding the distortions of american exceptionalism kiran klaus patel shows how america s reaction to the great depression connected it to the wider world among much else the book explains why the new deal had enormous repercussions on china why franklin d roosevelt studied the welfare schemes of nazi germany and why the new dealers were fascinated by cooperatives in sweden but ignored similar schemes in japan ultimately patel argues the new deal provided the institutional scaffolding for the construction of

american global hegemony in the postwar era making this history essential for understanding both the new deal and america's rise to global leadership a compelling argument that is profoundly relevant to the twenty first century glenn c altschuler huffington post

the new deal was a radical attempt on the part of the roosevelt administration to restore full employment and growth to the us economy it consisted of i the national industrial recovery act of 1933 and ii the national labor relations act of 1936 these two pieces of legislation have been decried and dismissed by the economics profession with the most vociferous critic being milton friedman this book provides a more accurate account of the causes of its failure one that while favorable to the underlying motives is critical of its actual implementation in short while its intentions were laudable its implementation was doomed from the start the argument presented differs from the standard run of the mill critique by revisiting the underlying causes of the great depression it is shown that it was the result of a massive technological shock in the form of electric unit drive which increased productivity by more than it increased income and expenditure the wage and price policies of the new deal sought to close this gap however the actual measures put in place did more harm than good owing in large measure to the heterogeneous nature of the technology shock and the dearth of information

2008 marks the 75th anniversary of the new deal the series of programs initiated by president franklin delano roosevelt to help americans recover during the great depression programs such as the civilian conservation corps the civil works administration and the works progress administration gave hope support and encouragement to millions of americans several new deal programs including social security continue to help americans today

from first to last the new deal was a work in progress a patchwork of often contradictory ideas

how the civilian conservation corps constructed rejuvenated and protected american forests and parks at the height of the great depression propelled by the unprecedented poverty of the great depression president franklin d roosevelt established an array of massive public works programs designed to provide direct relief to america's poor and unemployed the new deal's most tangible legacy may be the civilian conservation corps's network of parks national forests scenic roadways and picnic shelters that still mark the country's landscape ccc enrollees most of them unmarried young men lived in camps run by the army and worked hard for wages most of which they had to send home to their families to preserve america's natural treasures in the new deal's forest army benjamin f alexander chronicles how the corps came about the process applicants went through to get in and what jobs they actually did he also explains how the camps and the work sites were run how enrollees spent their leisure time and how world war ii brought the ccc to its end connecting the story of the ccc with the roosevelt administration's larger initiatives alexander describes how fdr's policies constituted a mixed blessing for african americans who even while singled out for harsh treatment benefited enough from the new deal to become an increasingly strong part of the electorate behind the democratic party the ccc was the only large scale employment program whose existence fdr foreshadowed in speeches during the 1932 campaign and the dearest to his heart throughout the decade that it lasted alexander reveals how the work itself left a lasting imprint on the country's terrain as the enrollees planted trees fought forest fires landscaped public parks restored historic battlegrounds and constructed dams and terraces to prevent floods a uniquely detailed exploration of life in the ccc the new deal's forest army compellingly demonstrates how one new deal program changed america and gave birth to both contemporary forestry

and the modern environmental movement

in tackling america s worst depression the new deal brought the federal government into unprecedented contact with most americans and shaped the political economy of the contemporary united states this major new study incorporates the results of many recent case studies of the new deal and provides a detailed assessment of the impact of the depression and new deal programmes on businessmen industrial workers farmers and the unemployed in his thematic analysis of the implementation of particular programmes rather than in a narrative of policymaking dr badger explains the political and ideological constraints which limited the changes wrought by the new deal

the 10 essays in this book probe the underlying economic social and cultural dynamics of the roosevelt revolution analyze the durability of the new deal coalition through the mid 1960s and uncover the racial class and cultural fissures that led to its disintegration the contributors answer such questions as how did the democratic party accommodate both poor workers and wealthy capitalists why did the labor question lose its importance in american politics as soon as the movement achieved political power why did economic abundance generate political and cultural conservatism in the 1950s but radicalism in the 1960s isbn 0 691 04761 8 25 00

in this concise and lively volume ronald edsforth presents a fresh synthesis of the most critical years in twentieth century american history the book describes the collapse of american capitalism in the early 1930s and the subsequent remaking of the us economy during franklin d roosevelt s presidency it is written for a new generation of readers for whom the great depression is a distant historical event

when the stability of american life was threatened by the great depression the decisive and visionary policy contained in fdr s new deal offered america a way forward in this groundbreaking work william e leuchtenburg traces the evolution of what was both the most controversial and effective socioeconomic initiative ever undertaken in the united states and explains how the social fabric of american life was forever altered it offers illuminating lessons on the challenges of economic transformation for our time and for all time

no group of american minority voters shifted allegiance more dramatically in the 1930s than black americans did up until the new deal era blacks had shown their traditional loyalty to the party of lincoln by voting overwhelmingly the republican ticket by the end of f d roosevelt s first administration however they tremendously voted the democratic ticket the decades long wholesale attachment of blacks to the party of lincoln with its laudable efforts to support blacks emancipation proclamation and reconstruction was understandable and inevitable enough the anomaly was the massive shift by blacks to the democratic party traditionally identified with its long list of constant anti black and premeditated opposition to black liberation opposition to emancipation and reconstruction and with an ongoing record of all forms of racial discrimination segregation disfranchisement exclusion white primaries and white supremacy the transformation of the black vote from solidly republican to solidly democratic did not happen instantaneously but rather it developed over decades of maturing as a result of the amalgamated efforts of presidents and black leaders the move of black voters toward the democratic party was part of a nationwide

trend that had occurred with the creation of the roosevelt coalition of 1936 this national shift would make the democrats the majority party for the next several decades including a very decisive margin of black voters in the balance of power

the new deal shaped our nation's politics for decades and was seen by many as tantamount to the american way itself now in this superb compact history eric rauchway offers an informed account of the new deal and the great depression illuminating its successes and failures

tara mitchell mielnik fills a significant gap in the history of the new deal south by examining the lives of the men of south carolina's civilian conservation corps ccc who from 1933 to 1942 built sixteen state parks all of which still exist today enhanced with revealing interviews with former state ccc members mielnik's illustrated account provides a unique exploration into the great depression in the palmetto state and the role that south carolina's state parks continue to play as architectural legacies of a monumental new deal program in 1933 thousands of unemployed young men and world war i veterans were given the opportunity to work when emergency conservation work ecw one of franklin delano roosevelt's new deal programs came to south carolina renamed the civilian conservation corps in 1937 the program was responsible for planting millions of trees in reforestation projects augmenting firefighting activities stringing much needed telephone lines for fire prevention throughout the state and terracing farmland and other soil conservation projects the most visible legacies of the ccc in south carolina are many of the state's national forests recreational areas and parks prior to the work of the ccc south carolina had no state parks but from 1933 to 1942 the ccc built sixteen mielnik's briskly paced and informative study gives voice to the young men who labored in the south carolina ccc and honors the legacy of the parks they built and the conservation and public recreation values these sites fostered for modern south carolina

at a time when liberalism is in disarray this vastly illuminating book locates the origins of its crisis those origins says alan brinkley are paradoxically situated during the second term of franklin delano roosevelt whose new deal had made liberalism a fixture of american politics and society the end of reform shows how the liberalism of the early new deal which set out to repair and if necessary restructure america's economy gave way to its contemporary counterpart which is less hostile to corporate capitalism and more solicitous of individual rights clearly and dramatically brinkley identifies the personalities and events responsible for this transformation while pointing to the broader trends in american society that made the politics of reform increasingly popular it is both a major reinterpretation of the new deal and a crucial map of the road to today's political landscape

pulitzer prize winning biographer joseph lash's last work is an account of the men and women who helped roosevelt pull the country out of the great depression when fdr took office in 1933 he set into motion the promise he made when he was first nominated the new deal also called the roosevelt revolution charged the energies and imaginations of some of the most brilliant minds in the country lash draws heavily on the private and unpublished papers of thomas corcoran and benjamin cohen the two most influential brain trusters of the time whose policies invigorated the nation and who independently and together were driven to promote the social and economic transformations of the thirties this new look at the new deal as the book is subtitled is a history of new deal legislation from the banking bill that recast the federal reserve system on through the public utility holding company act the wagner labor relations act the social security bill and the creation of the alphabetocracy that as mr lash believes helped to shift control of the american economy from wall street to

washington a dual biography of two young new deal lawyers benjamin v cohen and thomas g corcoran a roster of new deal players adolph a berle william o douglas marriner eccles jerome frank leon henderson alger hiss harry hopkins harold ickes hugh s johnson james landis max lowenthal isador lubin raymond moley frances perkins joseph rauh samuel i rosenman and rexford g tugwell and harvard law professor and later supreme court justice felix frankfurter the ideological struggle that went on between people like tugwell who wanted to plan the economy and those like frankfurter and supreme court justice louis d brandeis who wanted to break up the trusts and restore freedom to the marketplace dealers and dreamers will be valuable to any reader with certain specific questions about the new deal in mind christopher lemann haupt new york times dealers and dreamers is a fascinating informative book indispensable for students of the roosevelt presidency arthur schlesinger jr the new york review of books the story of how our present day institutions were created lash s excellent exploitation of the papers of both cohen and corcoran plus judicious use of interviews makes this a valuable work warren f kimball los angeles times joseph p lash s last book is a fitting capstone to a noble career dealers and dreamers is a vivid evocation of an era and a fascinating portrait written with the skill of a master of some of the most wonderfully engaging figures of a glorious age in american history but more than that it is like all of joe lash s books and like joe lash s life itself a work of the most rare sincerity and integrity what shines forth from every page as it shines forth from mr lash s life is his unshakable determination to be truthful honest and scrupulously fair joe has always been the standard of integrity to which i tried to hold fast and this book is a final triumphant example of the fact that he held that standard high to the last robert caro i found dealers and dreamers a veritable treasure trove of historical information about roosevelt s washington for that reason alone it is an important book thomas fleming dealers and dreamers not only reports the achievements and operations of the new deal but also the spirit of the participants a spirit which i think was very much like that which must have existed among the persons who drafted the u s constitution and put it in force in each case reflecting the excitement and satisfaction of participating in a successful revolution not against government but for government eugene mccarthy by the pulitzer prize winning author of eleanor and franklin this is a fresh and admiring look at the original brain trusters raymond moley rexford tugwell adolf berle and others crucial to the legislated social transformation presided over by franklin d roosevelt during the depression years among the others lash pays particular attention to are thomas g corcoran the unofficial whip of the new deal and benjamin v cohen principal draftsman of several ground breaking bills sent to congress the author describes cohen as the intellectual coordinator of the new deal and the keeper of its conscience working from corcoran and cohen s private papers he sheds light on the significance of the securities exchange act fdr s court packing attempt the 1936 presidential campaign the effect of the new deal on black americans and other issues throughout the decade before pearl harbor publishers weekly lash focuses on two talented technocrats benjamin v cohen and thomas c corcoran protégés of felix frankfurter then a professor at harvard law school though neither had held high office both played important frequently pivotal roles in drafting and ensuring passage of vital new deal measures like the securities exchange act of 1934 pragmatists as well as idealists cohen and corcoran viewed politics as the art of the possible with revolution a decided possibility they opted for trial and error reform as the best means to the end of preserving any vestige of a free enterprise constitutional system kirkus reviews lash has written an absorbing narrative that captures the spirit of those yeasty times when a heady generation of young intellectuals was ready to roll up its sleeves to rescue america r frank saunders jr the georgia historical quarterly dealers and dreamers conveys an unmistakable sense that there was something special about the experience of the generation of lawyers who entered public service in the 1930 s g edward white harvard law review

explores the background of the new deal including the events leading up to it its effects on the u s economy and the key people involved

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