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Explores the nature, value, and achievements of muckraking in twentieth-century America

This edition of Louis Filler's classic account carries the muckraking tradition through World War II, McCarthyism, the civil rights movement, Korea, Vietnam, Ralph Nader, and Watergate.

Learn about the journalists who helped change America.

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Watchdog

The Decline of Muckraking

The Muckrakers

Muckraking in the United States Between 1902-1912

~ Theœ muckrakers

Renowned muckraker and investigative reporter Lincoln Steffens recounts a series of historic corruption scandals in cities of the United States. The various backhanders and embezzlements occurring in the urban councils of the USA in the late 19th century are recalled here. Though the country was in a period of great development and advancement, this rise to industrial prowess was accompanied by an egregious culture of dishonesty. The development of "old boy networks", whereby a group of insiders would conspire to siphon public funds and favour one another in matters of politics or business, became a serious problem. Steffens was a leading opponent of such nepotism, and did his utmost to root it out. In this book are images he gained of dishonest accounting; these, among other documentary evidence, led to certain corrupt officials losing their position and facing charges.

Account of some of the journalists who between 1902 and 1912 probed and exposed the injustices and corruptions of contemporary American society.

Exuberantly written, highly informative, Jensen's *Stories That Changed America* examines the work of twenty-one investigative writers, and how their efforts forever changed our country. Here are the pioneering muckrakers, like Upton Sinclair, author of the fact-based novel *The Jungle*, that inspired Theodore Roosevelt to sign the Pure Food and Drug Act into law; "Queen of the Muckrakers" Ida Mae Tarbell, whose McClure magazine exposés led to the dissolution of Standard Oil's monopoly; and Lincoln Steffens, a reporter who unearthed corruption in both municipal and federal governments. You'll also meet Margaret Sanger, the former nurse who coined the term "birth control"; George Seldes, the most censored journalist in American history; Nobel Prize-winning novelist John Steinbeck; environmentalist Rachel Carson; National Organization of Women founder Betty Friedan; African American activist Malcolm X; consumer advocate Ralph Nader; and Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, the Pulitzer Prize-winning reporters whose Watergate break-in coverage brought down President Richard Nixon. The courageous writers Jensen includes in this deftly researched volume dedicated their lives to fight for social, civil, political and environmental rights with their mighty pens.

The Muckrakers and Progressive Reformers

The Famous Muckraking Expose of Corruption in America's Cities: St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York (Hardcover)

African Muckraking

John L. Hess and the Nursing Home Scandal

Objectivity and the New Muckraking

The Muckrakers and the Progressive Era

As the twentieth century opened, Americans were jolted out of their laissez-faire complacency by detailed exposures, in journalism and fiction, of the corruption underlying the country's greatest institutions. This rude awakening was the work of the muckrakers, as Theodore Roosevelt christened these press agents for reform. From 1902, when it latched onto such mass circulation magazines as *Collier's* and *McClure's*, until it merged into the Progressive movement in 1912, muckraking relentlessly pricked the nation's social conscience by exposing the abuses of industry and politics. Ranging in tone from the scholarly to the sensational, muckraking articles attacked food adulteration, unscrupulous insurance practices, fraudulent claims for patent medicines, and links between government and vice. When muckrakers raised their voices against child labor, graft, monopoly, unsafe mill conditions, and the white slave trade of poor immigrant girls, they found a receptive audience. "I aimed at the public's heart," wrote Upton Sinclair about *The Jungle*, "and by accident I hit it in the stomach." Gathering the most significant pieces published during the heyday of the muckraking movement, *The Muckrakers* brings vividly to life this unique era of exposure and self-examination. For each article, Arthur and Lila Weinberg provide concise commentary on the background of its subject and the specific and long-range repercussions of its publication. The volume features the work of both journalists and fiction writers, including Ida Tarbell, Lincoln Steffens, Upton Sinclair, Ray Stannard Baker, Samuel Hopkins Adams, Thomas W. Lawson, Charles Edward Russell, and Mark Sullivan. Eloquent and uncompromising, the muckrakers shocked America from a state of lethargy into Progressive reform. This generous volume vividly captures the urgency of their quest.

The Muckrakers discusses how in the early 1900s, Ida Tarbell and other investigative journalists brought about change by exposing the illegal tactics and unethical practices of corporations. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Essential Library is an imprint of ABDO Publishing, a division of ABDO.

African Muckraking is the first collection of investigative and campaigning journalism written by Africans about Africa. The editors delved into the history of modern Africa to find the most important and compelling pieces of journalism on the stories that matter. This collection of 41 pieces of African journalism includes passionate and committed writing on labor abuses, police brutality, women's rights, the struggle for democracy and independence on the continent and other subjects. Each piece of writing is introduced by a noted scholar or journalist who explains the context and why the journalism mattered. Some of the highlights include: Feminist writing from Tunisia into the 1930s, exposés of the secret tactics planned by the South African government during apartheid, Richard Mgamba's searing description of the albino brothers in Tanzania who fear for their lives, and the reporting by Liberian journalist Mae Azango on genital cutting, which forced her to go into hiding. Many African Muckrakers have been imprisoned and even killed for their work. *African Muckraking* is a must-read for anyone who cares about journalism and Africa.

The Origins and Nature of Progressive Muckraking

25 Years of Muckraking and Rabblerrousing

Muckraking in America, 1900 / 2000

What is Muckraking?

Poison Penmanship

Citizen Muckraking

"How can anyone claim to really understand our Constitution without knowing what these critical traditions had to say?" —Michael Wallace, Professor of History, John Jay College. "A real contribution to the subject of democracy and liberalism." —John Ehrenberg. "Does a marvelous job of returning the Constitution to its proper sphere, the product of the rough and tumble of politics." —Malcolm M. Feely, author of *Judicial Policy Making and the Modern State*. "The United States Constitution is a provocative book, much needed for overdue rethinking on the Constitution proper and its amendments. By making available "the underside of criticism and protest that has accompanied the Constitution from its inception" the book cuts through a mountainous mass of conventional bombast, one-sided versions and outright fabrications regarding the Constitution. In clarifying what makes the Constitution's clock tick, the book lives up to its subtitle. —Ira Gollubin, National Emergency Civil Rights Committee NEVER BEFORE ASSEMBLED IN A SINGLE VOLUME—the major writings on the Constitution from six critical traditions. Here is THE OTHER SIDE in most of the key disputes over the Constitution from 1789 to the present, the side that was barely heard during the recent Bicentennial celebrations. Yet, it was often the popular side, raising many troublesome questions about the nature of American democracy that still remain to be answered. Now that the applause has subsided, every fair-minded person will want to know what these critics of the Constitution have to say about who did, and is still doing, what to whom, and why. Section 1 outlines the main events and problems that led up to and contributed to the calling of the Constitutional Convention in 1787. Section 2 concentrates on what actually happened at the convention. Section 3 deals with the two-hundred-year history of interpretations and amendments that followed. Section 4 offers a number of ideas

that should prove helpful in constructing the adequate theory of the Constitution that still eludes us. Skillfully woven into one volume the forty contributors include voices as varied as those of Gore Vidal, I.F. Stone, Ralph Nader, E.P. Thompson, Howard Zinn, Sheldon S. Wolin, Joan Hoff, Karl Marx, Jackson Turner Main, Charles A. Beard, and W.E.B. Du Bois joined—perhaps surprisingly—by Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Thurgood Marshall.

"Provides a detailed account of the muckraking movement in early twentieth-century American journalism and its contribution to progressive reforms. Explores how the muckraking tradition and progressive political ideas have continued through the modern era. Features include a narrative overview, biographies, primary sources, chronology, glossary, bibliography, and index" --Provided by publisher.

From robber barons to titanic CEOs, from the labor unrest of the 1880s to the mass layoffs of the 1990s, two American Gilded Ages—one in the early 1900s, another in the final years of the twentieth century—mirror each other in their laissez-faire excess and rampant social crises. Both eras have ignited the civic passions of investigative writers who have drafted diagnostic blueprints for urgently needed change. The compelling narratives of the muckrakers—Upton Sinclair, Ida Tarbell, Lincoln Steffens, and Ray Stannard Baker among them—became bestsellers and prizewinners a hundred years ago; today, Cecelia Tichi notes, they have found their worthy successors in writers such as Barbara Ehrenreich, Eric Schlosser, and Naomi Klein. In *Exposés* and *Excess* Tichi explores the two Gilded Ages through the lens of their muckrakers. Drawing from her considerable and wide-ranging work in American studies, Tichi details how the writers of the first muckraking generation used fact-based narratives in magazines such as *McClure's* to rouse the U.S. public to civic action in an era of unbridled industrial capitalism and fear of the immigrant "dangerous classes." Offering a damning cultural analysis of the new Gilded Age, Tichi depicts a booming, insecure, fortress America of bulked-up baby strollers, McMansion housing, and an obsession with money-as-lifeline in an era of deregulation, yawning income gaps, and idolatry of the market and its rock-star CEOs. No one has captured this period of corrosive boom more acutely than the group of nonfiction writers who burst on the scene in the late 1990s with their *exposés* of the fast-food industry, the world of low-wage work, inadequate health care, corporate branding, and the multibillion-dollar prison industry. And nowhere have these authors—Ehrenreich, Schlosser, Klein, Laurie Garrett, and Joseph Hallinan—revealed more about their emergence as writers and the connections between journalism and literary narrative than in the rich and insightful interviews that round out the book. With passion and wit, *Exposés* and *Excess* brings a literary genre up to date at a moment when America has gone back to the future.

Muckraking and the Progressive Movement

The Muckraking Life of Charles Edward Russell

Muckrakers

American Journalism During the Age of Reform

Rethinking Journalism for the 21st Century

Stories that Changed America

Muckraking and progressivism have always marched arm-in-arm, cutting a wide path through modern American history. Originally published as *Appointment at Armageddon*, Filler's book is a vital contribution in understanding the intrinsic dynamic of reform in American life. It extracts from the issues that fostered progressivism and muckraking an essence that illuminates contemporary debate. Filler points out that early twentieth-century progressivism was essentially middle class, seeking common denominators for social interests. It was also a modernizing force in such areas as child labor, poverty, farm problems, and race relations. In his new introduction, Filler reviews various instances of progressivism throughout history. Filler maintains that progressivism died out when pride in its achievements turned to bitterness. Rather than celebrating the progress made by outstanding Americans, such as W.E.B. DuBois and Susan B. Anthony, various groups began focusing only on the oppressed and the oppressors. By concentrating on the negative instead of the positive, Americans abandoned the forward-looking tenets of turn of the century progressivism. Muckraking and Progressivism in the American Tradition is a timely book. It is needed to inspire Americans to find a new way to solve current dilemmas. This significant work will be of interest to sociologists, historians, and political theorists.

Crusading journalists from Sinclair Lewis to Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein have played a central role in American politics: checking abuses of power, revealing corporate misdeeds, and exposing

government corruption. Muckraking journalism is part and parcel of American democracy. But how many people know about the role that muckraking has played around the world? This groundbreaking new book presents the most important examples of world-changing journalism, spanning one hundred years and every continent. Carefully curated by prominent international journalists working in Asia, Africa, Latin America, Europe, and the Middle East, Global Muckraking includes Ken Saro-Wiwa's defense of the Ogoni people in the Niger Delta; Horacio Verbitsky's uncovering of the gruesome disappearance of political detainees in Argentina; Gareth Jones's coverage of the Ukraine famine of 1932-33; missionary newspapers' coverage of Chinese foot binding in the nineteenth century; Dwarkanath Ganguli's exposé of the British "coolie" trade in nineteenth-century Assam, India; and many others. Edited by the noted author and journalist Anya Schiffrin, Global Muckraking is a sweeping introduction to international journalism that has galvanized the world's attention. In an era when human rights are in the spotlight and the fate of newspapers hangs in the balance, here is both a riveting read and a sweeping argument for why the world needs long-form investigative reporting.

Does journalism matter? Here is a book that documents an alternative journalistic tradition - one marked by depth of vision, passion for change, and remarkable bravery. In collecting the kind of reportage that all too rarely appears in this age of media triviality and corporate conglomeration, Muckraking! makes clear that American journalists have changed the country for the better. Ranging across three centuries - from the Stamp Act to the abolition movement to the Vietnam War, from the integration of baseball to Watergate - this book contains more than 125 greatest works of American Journalism. -- Cover.

Application for Grants Under the Business and International Education Program

The United States Constitution

Three Landmark Articles

A Biographical Dictionary of Writers and Editors

American novels of muckraking, propaganda, and social protest ; a series of 39 American novels

A Series of American Novels of Muckraking, Propaganda, and Social Protest

A searing novel of social realism, Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* follows the fortunes of Jurgis Rudkus, an immigrant who finds in the stockyards of turn-of-the-century Chicago a ruthless system that degrades and impoverishes him, and an industry whose filthy practices contaminate the meat it processes. From the stench of the killing-beds to the horrors of the fertilizer-works, the appalling conditions in which Jurgis works are described in intense detail by an author bent on social reform. So powerful was the book's message that it caught the eye of President Theodore Roosevelt and led to changes to the food hygiene laws. In his Introduction to this new edition, Russ Castronovo highlights the aesthetic concerns that were central to Sinclair's aspirations, examining the relationship between history and historical fiction, and between the documentary impulse and literary narrative. As he examines the book's disputed status as novel (it is propaganda or literature?), he reveals why Sinclair's message-driven fiction has relevance to literary and historical matters today, now more than a hundred years after the novel first appeared in print.

A shocking appraisal that shows how Wall Street is intrinsically corrupt—and what individual investors can do to protect themselves. For several years high-profile corporate wrongdoers have been vilified by the media. Yet the problem, according to Gary Weiss, is not just a few isolated instances of malfeasance. The problem is in the very fabric of Wall Street and its practices that enable and even encourage corruption—practices that are so pervasive and so difficult to combat that they are in effect perfect crimes, with the small investor left holding the bag. In this blistering report from the front, Weiss describes how the ethos of Mafia chophouses,

boiler rooms, and penny stock peddlers now permeates all of Wall Street. Protected from investor lawsuits by laughably corrupt arbitration systems, Wall Street firms are free to fleece unsuspecting clients with little or no risk. But as this empowering book shows, ordinary investors can fight back and come out on top—if they learn to recognize warning signs, filter media chatter, and spot looming corporate meltdowns in advance. Prepare to be surprised, get angry, and then get even. *Wall Street Versus America* is a wild ride you can't afford to miss.

Printed together for the first time since their original publication in 1903, Ray Stannard Baker's piece on the coal strike, "The Right to Work"; Lincoln Steffens' exposé of political corruption, "The Shame of Minneapolis"; and Ida Tarbell's story of corporate villainy, "The Oil War of 1872"; along with an editorial from S. S. McClure and the narrative of Ellen Fitzpatrick, invite students to explore and understand "muckraking."

How to Investigate and Right Wrongs in Your Community

Muckrakers of the 20th Century

Upton Sinclair's *Oil!* as Literature and History

American Muckraker

The Jungle

Exposes and Excess

Jessica Mitford was a member of one of England's most legendary families (among her sisters were the novelist Nancy Mitford and the current Duchess of Devonshire) and one of the great muckraking journalists of modern times. Leaving England for America, she pursued a career as an investigative reporter and unrepentant gadfly, publicizing not only the misdeeds of, most famously, the funeral business (*The American Way of Death*, a bestseller) and the prison business (*Kind and Usual Punishment*), but also of writing schools and weight-loss programs. Mitford's diligence, unfailing skepticism, and acid pen made her one of the great chroniclers of the mischief people get up to in the pursuit of profit and the name of good. *Poison Penmanship* collects seventeen of Mitford's finest pieces—about everything from crummy spas to network-TV censorship—and fills them out with the story of how she got the scoop and, no less fascinating, how the story developed after publication. The book is a delight to read: few journalists have ever been as funny as Mitford, or as gifted at getting around in those dark, cobwebbed corners where modern America fashions its shiny promises. It's also an unequalled and necessary manual of the fine art of investigative reporting.

Charles Edward Russell was a muckraking journalist who exposed the dark underside of America's class system at the turn of the 20th century. The scandals he revealed through investigative reporting led to some of the most important and largest reform efforts of the period, in areas such as housing, prisons, and race reform. A Pulitzer Prize winner, author of 27 books, and a founder of the NAACP, Russell has nonetheless faded from public view. In this book, Robert Miraldi restores him to his rightful place in history. Miraldi's biography of Russell sheds light on the Hearst and Pulitzer newspaper empires, the growth of yellow journalism, and numerous scandals of the period (including Lizzie Borden's murder of her parents and the gruesome details of the Chicago meatpacking industry). It also provides a fascinating look at the growth of the American Socialist Party, of which Russell was an active member until he resigned when his pro-World War I stance brought him into conflict with other members of the Party.

The Center for Public Integrity has amassed stories of people who have fought city hall and won. From how to use the Freedom of Information Act to conducting interviews for effective investigative reporting, "Citizen Muckraking" shows how to fight the Goliaths of the day.

A Brief History, and a Look at how it is Faring Today

Progressivism and Muckraking

200 Years of Anti-Federalist, Abolitionist, Feminist, Muckraking, Progressive, and Especially Socialist Criticism

The Journalism that Changed America

The Gentle Art of Muckraking

Muckraking a Muckraker

This seminal work of nonfiction recounts the new journalistic mass movement of today. Compiled from over a decade of investigative reporting coupled with a vast reference of philosophical research, *American Muckraker* is the definitive guide of truth-telling in the

video age. ON POWER They do have tremendous power. But in part it is because we give it to them. We are nothing, but we are not alone. Awe cannot live in fear. The moment you stop caring about what the media establishment thinks of you, is the moment you become truly free. ON INSIDERS The USPS whistleblower, a Marine Corp combat veteran said, "I would rather be back in Afghanistan, getting shot at by Afghans, honest to God," than be interrogated by federal agent Russell Strasser—who coerced him by saying, "I am trying to twist you a little bit because your mind will kick in... I am not scaring you, but I am scaring you." ON PRIVACY The right to record is closely tied to the right to speak or even to take contemporaneous notes about what one sees and hears. As 60 Minutes producer Don Hewitt quipped, "People committing malfeasance don't have any right to privacy... What are we saying—that Upton Sinclair shouldn't have smuggled his pencil in?" ON MEANS & ENDS Whereas the novelist Ernest Hemingway said, "What is moral is what you feel good after and what is immoral is what you feel bad after," Thomas B. Morgan of the 1960s *New Journalism* contends, "Morally defensible journalism is rarely what you feel good about afterward; it is only that which makes you feel better than you would otherwise." ON LITIGATION "Polling does not decide the truth nor speak to evidence... The New York Times have not met their burden to prove that Veritas is deceptive...claiming protections from an upstart competitor armed with a cell phone and a website. There is a substantial basis in law to proceed, to permit Project Veritas, to conduct discovery into The New York Times." —Project Veritas v. New York Times Company; New York Supreme Court, March 18, 2021 The muckraking journalists were crusaders with a steadfast faith in the power of truth, a strong narrative, and public pressure to spur government action for the good of the people. Their investigative reporting brought attention to hidden problems and issues such as child labor, urban poverty, inhumane working conditions, tenements, business monopolies, and political corruption. This engaging book covers the work and lives of the leading muckrakers, including Lincoln Steffens, Ray Stannard Baker, Upton Sinclair, and Ida Tarbell.

Examines the birth of investigative journalism in America at the turn of the 20th century, discussing the work of the dedicated journalists who, through their exposés, forced responsible changes in the industrial practices and politics of that period.

The Pen Is Mightier

Global Muckraking

75 Years of Investigative Journalism from Africa

A Muckraking Look at the Thieves, Fakers, and Charlatans Who Are Ripping You Off

Principles of Muckraking

The Shame of the Cities

Selections of the author's previously published newspaper columns from the weekly, *Isthmus*, (Madison, Wisconsin).

Professor Edd Applegate profiles the men and women who either wrote muckraking journalism or edited publications that featured muckraking articles. Some of the most important

figures of journalism are here, including Nellie Bly, Upton Sinclair, Lincoln Steffens, George Kennan, Jack London, Frank Norris, Rachel Carson, George Seldes, and I.F. Stone.

100 Years of Investigative Journalism from Around the World How Ida Tarbell, Upton Sinclair, and Lincoln Steffens Helped

Expose Scandal, Inspire Reform, and Invent Investigative Journalism

A Comparative Analysis Into the Origins, Structure, and Contents of Muckraking

The Muckrakers: Ida Tarbell Takes on Big Business

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