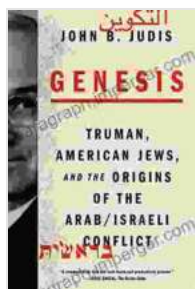


Truman: American Jews and the Origins of the Arab-Israeli Conflict

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This is an excerpt from the book *Truman: American Jews and the Origins of the Arab-Israeli Conflict* by David S. Wyman. The book is a detailed and well-researched account of the role that American Jews played in the lead-up to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Wyman argues that American Jews were a major force in shaping U.S. policy towards the Middle East, and that their influence was often decisive.

The book is divided into three parts. The first part provides a historical overview of the Arab-Israeli conflict, from its origins in the late 19th century to the outbreak of the first Arab-Israeli war in 1948. The second part

examines the role of American Jews in the conflict, from their efforts to promote the creation of a Jewish state to their lobbying for U.S. support for Israel. The third part analyzes the impact of the Arab-Israeli conflict on American Jewry, including the rise of anti-Semitism and the growth of the pro-Israel lobby.

Wyman's book is a valuable contribution to the literature on the Arab-Israeli conflict. It is a well-written and well-researched work that provides a detailed and nuanced account of the role that American Jews played in the lead-up to the conflict.

American Jews and the Creation of Israel

American Jews were among the most ardent supporters of the creation of a Jewish state in Palestine. In the early 20th century, a number of American Jewish organizations were founded to promote the Zionist cause. These organizations lobbied the U.S. government for support for a Jewish state, and they also raised funds to support Jewish settlement in Palestine.

After the Balfour Declaration of 1917, which pledged British support for the creation of a Jewish homeland in Palestine, American Jews became even more active in the Zionist movement. They lobbied the U.S. government to support the Mandate for Palestine, which was established by the League of Nations in 1922. The Mandate gave Britain the responsibility for administering Palestine and developing it as a Jewish homeland.

American Jews continued to support the Zionist movement throughout the 1930s and 1940s. They raised funds to support Jewish settlement in Palestine, and they lobbied the U.S. government to support the creation of

a Jewish state. After the Holocaust, American Jews became even more determined to see a Jewish state established in Palestine.

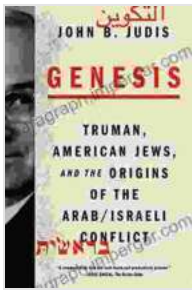
American Jews and the Outbreak of the Arab-Israeli Conflict

The outbreak of the Arab-Israeli conflict in 1948 was a major turning point in American Jewish history. The conflict led to a sharp increase in anti-Semitism in the United States, and it also prompted the creation of the pro-Israel lobby. The pro-Israel lobby has become one of the most powerful lobbies in Washington, and it has played a major role in shaping U.S. policy towards the Middle East.

The Arab-Israeli conflict has also had a major impact on American Jewry. The conflict has led to a rise in Jewish consciousness and a renewed interest in Jewish culture. It has also led to the growth of Jewish communal institutions, such as synagogues, schools, and community centers.

The Arab-Israeli conflict is a complex and multifaceted issue. It has its roots in a number of factors, including the rise of Zionism, the competing claims of Arabs and Jews to Palestine, and the Cold War. American Jews have played a major role in the conflict, both as supporters of Israel and as targets of anti-Semitism.

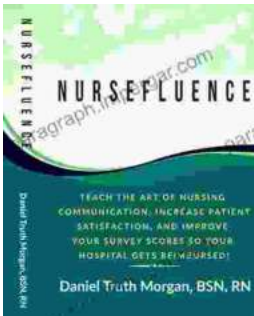
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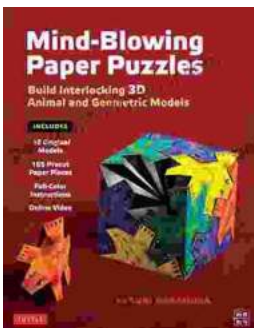
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