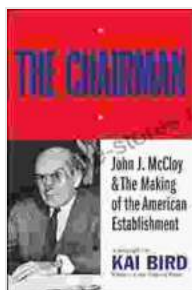


John McCloy: The Making of the American Establishment

John McCloy was a prominent American lawyer and public servant who played a key role in shaping the American establishment in the 20th century. He served as Assistant Secretary of War during World War II, High Commissioner for Germany after the war, and Chairman of the World Bank from 1947 to 1949. McCloy was also a close advisor to several US presidents, including Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, and Dwight D. Eisenhower.



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McCloy was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on March 31, 1895. He graduated from Harvard College in 1916 and Harvard Law School in 1921. After practicing law in New York City for several years, McCloy joined the US Army in 1941. He served in the Army during World War II, rising to the rank of brigadier general.

In 1945, McCloy was appointed Assistant Secretary of War by President Truman. In this role, he was responsible for overseeing the demobilization of the US military after the war. McCloy also played a key role in the development of the Marshall Plan, which provided economic aid to Europe after the war.

In 1949, McCloy was appointed High Commissioner for Germany by President Truman. In this role, he was responsible for overseeing the occupation of Germany after the war. McCloy also played a key role in the development of the Federal Republic of Germany.

In 1952, McCloy was appointed Chairman of the World Bank by President Eisenhower. In this role, he was responsible for overseeing the World Bank's lending activities. McCloy also played a key role in the development of the World Bank's policies.

McCloy retired from the World Bank in 1963. He remained active in public life, serving on the boards of several corporations and foundations. McCloy died in New York City on March 11, 1989.

McCloy was a complex and controversial figure. He was a brilliant lawyer and a skilled diplomat. He was also a close advisor to several US presidents. However, McCloy was also criticized for his support of the Vietnam War and his role in the development of the CIA's covert operations.

Despite the controversy surrounding him, McCloy was a major figure in the American establishment in the 20th century. He played a key role in shaping US foreign policy and economic policy. McCloy's legacy is still debated today.

McCloy and the American Establishment

The American establishment is a term used to describe a network of elite individuals who wield significant influence over American society. The establishment includes leaders from government, business, finance, academia, and the media.

McCloy was a central figure in the American establishment. He was a close advisor to several US presidents, and he served on the boards of several major corporations and foundations. McCloy also played a key role in the development of several key policies, including the Marshall Plan and the CIA's covert operations.

McCloy's influence on the American establishment was due to several factors. He was a brilliant lawyer and a skilled diplomat. He was also a close personal friend of several key figures in the establishment, including President Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

McCloy's role in the American establishment was not without its critics. Some critics accused McCloy of being too close to the military-industrial complex. Others criticized his support for the Vietnam War and his role in the development of the CIA's covert operations.

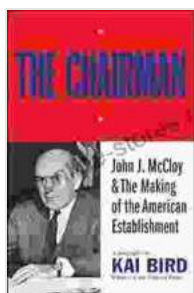
Despite the criticism, McCloy remained a major figure in the American establishment until his death in 1989. He was a key player in shaping US foreign policy and economic policy for over four decades.

McCloy's Legacy

McCloy's legacy is still debated today. Some historians view him as a brilliant statesman who played a key role in shaping the American

establishment. Others view him as a controversial figure who was too close to the military-industrial complex and who supported the Vietnam War.

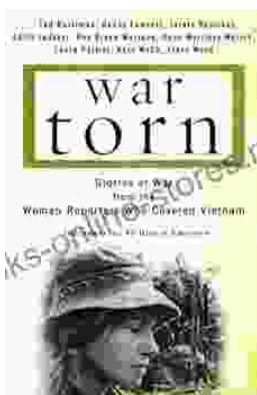
Regardless of one's view of McCloy, there is no doubt that he was a major figure in the American establishment in the 20th century. He played a key role in shaping US foreign policy and economic policy. His legacy will continue to be debated for years to come.



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