Businessmen and Reform: A Study of the Progressive Movement (Paperback)

By Robert H. Wiebe

Ivan R Dee, Inc, United States, 1989. Paperback. Condition: New. Revised ed.. Language: English . Brand New Book. In this perceptive, influential book, Robert Wiebe shows how businessmen helped to shape-and were shaped by-social reform in the early years of the 20th century. The Progressive Era served as a way station between agrarian and urban America: into it came men and women, institutions, and values born on the farms and in the towns; out of it emerged the first practical experiments in social reorganization for an industrial era. Although this exciting, noisy, and hopeful period contained much lost motion, beneath the tumult it contributed lasting changes in American life. In particular, demands came largely from a wide range of middle-income Americans whose arrival as organized, articulate, and demanding citizens reordered the social structure. Privileges of leadership were redistributed to accommodate these challengers. In the process, as Mr. Wiebe shows, businessmen took the lead in demanding reforms-but divided into bitterly hostile factions and shied away from movements to extend democracy and public welfare. Gracefully written, thoroughly researched, and imaginative.Wiebe s approach to progressivism, through content rather than through personality, and through the organized group rather than through the individual, incontrovertibly has...

READ ONLINE
[6.68 MB]

Reviews

Extensive information! Its this sort of great read through. It is amongst the most incredible book i have go through. I realized this publication from my i and dad suggested this book to understand.
-- Prof. Devon Bernhard PhD

Comprehensive manual! Its this sort of excellent read through. We have read through and i also am certain that i will going to read through once more again later on. You wont sense monotony at at any time of your time (that's what catalogs are for regarding in the event you question me).
-- Prof. Geraldine Monahan