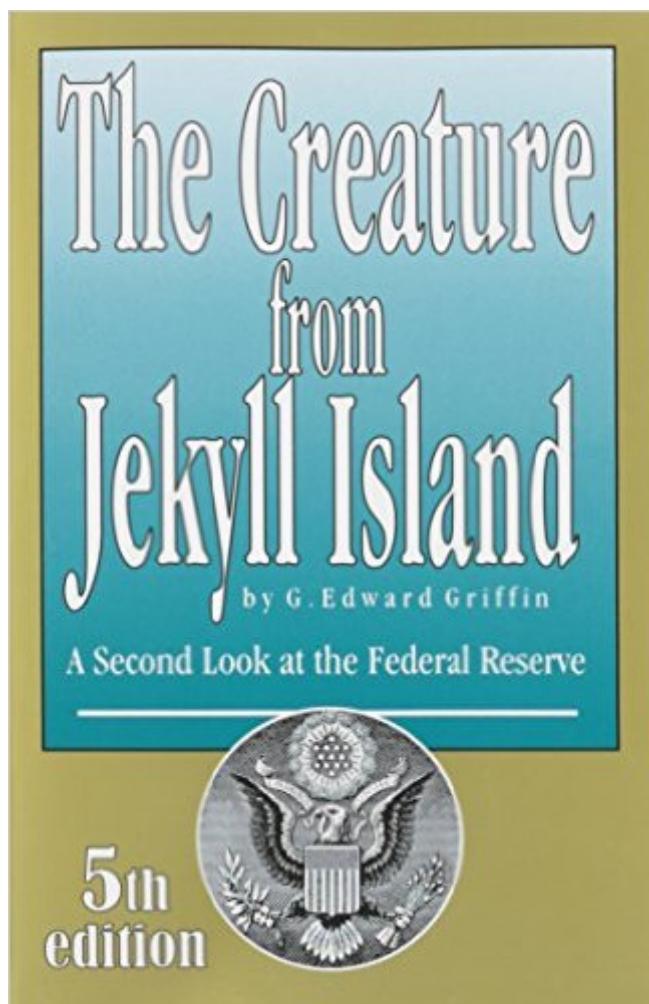


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The Creature From Jekyll Island: A Second Look At The Federal Reserve



Synopsis

Where does money come from? Where does it go? Who makes it? The money magicians' secrets are unveiled. We get a close look at their mirrors and smoke machines, their pulleys, cogs, and wheels that create the grand illusion called money. A dry and boring subject? Just wait! You'll be hooked in five minutes. Reads like a detective story - which it really is. But it's all true. This book is about the most blatant scam of all history. It's all here: the cause of wars, boom-bust cycles, inflation, depression, prosperity. Creature from Jekyll Island is a "must read." Your world view will definitely change. You'll never trust a politician again - or a banker.

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Customer Reviews

G. Edward Griffin is to be commended for this splendid work. At first glance The Creature from Jekyll Island is a huge book. While this may be daunting to some, once the book is actually started, it flows smoothly and reads quickly. There are so many fascinating tidbits of information here that the reader won't even be concerned about the size of the book. The title refers to the formation of the Federal Reserve System, which occurred at a secret meeting at Jekyll Island, Georgia in 1910. It was at this meeting, as Griffin relates, that the "Money Trust", composed of the richest and most powerful bankers in the world, along with a U.S. Senator, wrote the proposal to launch the Federal Reserve System (which Griffin calls a banking cartel) to control the financial system so that the bankers will always come out on top. The biggest problem in modern banking, according to Griffin, is and has always been the creation of fiat money. Fiat money is money that is "declared" money by

the government. It is not backed by anything but promises and deceit. All societies were sound financially when they used gold or silver to back their currency. When the bankers finally get their way and install fiat money, the result is inflation and boom and bust cycles. Griffin gives numerous examples of this, such as repeated failures by American colonies and European states in using fiat money. The purpose of fiat money is so that the government can spend more than they take in through taxes. Without writing reams on this book, it is sufficient to say that this is a must read for anyone who is interested in learning how the money system operates. Griffin gives comprehensive accounts of how the Fed creates money, and how this affects everyday life. I would have to say these sections are better than Murray Rothbard's book, *The Case Against the Fed*, because Griffin gives himself more room for explanation. Griffin does believe in the conspiratorial view of history, and he believes that the bankers are working in concert with such groups as the Council on Foreign Relations and the Trilateral Commission to bring about a socialist-world system in which an elite composed of intellectuals and bankers will rule over the entire planet. Griffin even spends a chapter outlining how this system could come about, and the consequent results of this socialist system. These chapters are a bit unsettling, but even if you aren't interested in this worldview, you can still learn much about the economy from this book. Recommended --By Jeffrey Leach on July 29, 2001

This book, while slightly marred by the occasional conspiracy theory, is a great account of one of the most important real life conspiracies of our time. It is well researched with plenty of footnotes for anyone who wants to look more deeply. It tells the real story of how bankers have lured politicians with easy money and ended up in control of most of the world. Whether or not they can keep up our (or rather, their) sleight-of-hand monetary system forever, the important thing is the power these bankers wield that should not be theirs. This book should be required reading. And by all means do your own research. Topics covered: founding of the Federal Reserve, war mongering, bail-outs, boom-bust cycles, the J.P.Morgans and Rothschilds of the world, the history of central banking in the United States, and most fascinating: how the money system really works in this country. Despite its lack of perfection, this book is by far the most relevant and interesting thing I have read about economics in a long time. It is written in terms that anyone can understand, which will immediately rule out the kind of reader who is impressed by a lot of technical jargon that supposedly demonstrates an author's mastery of the subject while only serving to confuse laymen (and experts too). --By A Customer on October 30, 1999

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As a former ex-USSR citizen, I always wondered why wars were fought. Every molecule of my brain refused to believe that people did it for pure altruistic and patriotic reasons. This book puts it right:^{*} Why America fought in WW1^{*} Why Russian revolutions occurred and who benefited from those^{*} Why people in other countries are so gullible when receiving foreign aid.^{*} How the large bankers took advantage of those countries by legalizing smuggling, just for them, not the common folkAnd most importantly:^{*} How the common US folk is paying for all of it out of its own pocket through the hidden tax of inflation.A true eye opener. Gotta love America for letting a writer publish such an indispensable journey into history political deceit. Other countries like Russia would have probably made the author disappear, the way it has always been done.A word of caution:This book may make you angry. However please do understand that everything it talks about happened, happens, and will continue to happen so long as the earth is populated. Just accept it and find a way to be prepared for the future, as the past always repeats itself.

Well worth reading to understand the why and who of the Federal Reserve. I will not elaborate

further but it is a MUST for all citizens to understand how we pile up debt.

I'm still in the process of reading this book and so far I will say that I have a new found perspective on the economic system in America. It's been like a classroom-type lesson that I've embarked on with reading this book. In my opinion u have to be subjective and objective in order to absorb this text. There are a lot of conspiracy theories within the chapters that u have to form your own conclusions, but as u read and measure and gauge the current state of the American society and cultural norms it really brings validity and makes a lot of sense... this is all the opinion of one person. Read and discern at your own risk and lesuire. Still reading it but it has been a true enlightenment so far

This book provides detailed explanations of those involved in creating the Federal Reserve and what a mess we now have due to its creation in early 1900's...all for the benefit of bankers. Wars have been started to create money and keep it growing and moving, again to benefit who...bankers of course. Lots of history and details...and details about the Council of Foreign Relations (and Presidents who served in/on this council) and their role in creating a world of socialism, again benefiting them. When looking back on history, their goal is gradually taking place unbeknowst to most of the citizens of the US let alone the world. Became very angry when reading this book - of course, others may experience entirely different emotions.

Please don't let the size of this book deter you from reading it. As another reviewer observed, it goes fast. You will probably have some trouble putting it down once you've begun. Griffin covers some immensely important topics, the creation of the federal reserve system, the history of money, the conspirational theory of history, and the future of global socialism toward which we are being propelled in a manner which is enlightening, scholarly, and entertaining. The Bible says, "The truth shall set you free." There is great truth within this book. The main question is if enough public spirited leaders can come together to understand these important truths such that we can know justice and love mercy while yet there is time. As a necessary criticism, I believe what could have been a great book is made less so by the weakness of the overall conslusion. Certainly things need to change, or we are on the road to serfdom. But I had hoped that Griffin's awesome scholarship would have come up with a more practicable solution than what is described in the conclusion. Perhaps this is unfair. At any rate, I urge all who are rightly concerned with the future of Western civilization to read carefully this excellent book and to draw their own conclusions.

Great book. Should be part of high school required reading. Got it for grandson.

This volume contains a vast reservoir of relevant information that everyone needs to know. It should be required reading of every elected official as a foundation so that they might wisely represent their constituents. To the layman or average citizen it would serve to rip the veil of ignorance and allow the light of truth to enter into the conversation about why our economic life is as it is. Unfortunately Americans don't read and due to the vast dumbing down that has occurred in the last century we seemingly prefer to be entertained rather than to be informed. The lack of personal responsibility to be informed has allowed our political environment to remain foreign to our citizens. Due to the atmosphere of misrepresentations we have allowed ourselves to be played and preyed upon by the political parties who fail to live up to their constitutional duties in service to these unseen special interests that overshadow the system. This volume is but one of the many stepping stones that would cut like a knife through the veil of darkness if only there were more who cared to know. For once knowledge has had its perfect season then the mischief and misdirection that has thwarted the realization of the greater public good could be removed and perhaps the Republic could be rescued.

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