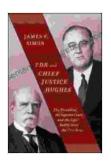
The President, The Supreme Court, and the Epic Battle Over the New Deal

The New Deal was a series of programs, public work projects, financial reforms, and regulations enacted by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in the United States between 1933 and 1939.

The main goal of the New Deal was to help the country recover from the Great Depression. The Great Depression was the worst economic downturn in the history of the United States, and it caused widespread unemployment, poverty, and homelessness.



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The New Deal had a significant impact on the United States. It helped to create jobs, stimulate the economy, and provide relief to those who were

suffering from the Great Depression. However, the New Deal was also controversial. Some people believed that it was too expensive and that it gave the government too much power.

One of the most controversial aspects of the New Deal was the National Recovery Administration (NRA). The NRA was a government agency that was created to help businesses recover from the Great Depression. The NRA set prices, regulated production, and established codes of fair competition.

The NRA was very unpopular with businesses. They believed that it was too restrictive and that it stifled competition. In 1935, the Supreme Court ruled that the NRA was unconstitutional. This decision was a major setback for the New Deal.

Despite the setbacks, the New Deal was ultimately successful in helping the United States recover from the Great Depression. By the end of the 1930s, the economy had improved significantly, and unemployment had declined. The New Deal also had a lasting impact on the role of the federal government in the economy.

The New Deal and the Supreme Court

The relationship between the New Deal and the Supreme Court was complex and contentious. The Court initially upheld many of the New Deal programs, but it later struck down several key provisions. This led to a bitter conflict between the President and the Court.

One of the most important Supreme Court cases involving the New Deal was Schechter Poultry Corp. v. United States. In this case, the Court ruled

that the National Recovery Administration was unconstitutional. The Court held that the NRA violated the commerce clause of the Constitution because it regulated intrastate activities.

The Schechter decision was a major setback for the New Deal. It showed that the Supreme Court was willing to strike down New Deal legislation that it believed was unconstitutional.

In response to the Schechter decision, President Roosevelt proposed a plan to "pack" the Supreme Court. Roosevelt's plan would have increased the number of justices on the Court from nine to fifteen. This would have allowed Roosevelt to appoint new justices who were more sympathetic to the New Deal.

Roosevelt's plan was met with strong opposition from the public and from Congress. In the end, Roosevelt was forced to withdraw his proposal.

The Legacy of the New Deal

The New Deal was a watershed moment in American history. It marked the end of the laissez-faire era and the beginning of a new era of government intervention in the economy.

The New Deal had a lasting impact on the United States. It helped to create a more active and interventionist role for the federal government in the economy. It also led to the establishment of a number of new social programs, including Social Security and unemployment insurance.

The New Deal is still a controversial topic today. Some people believe that it was a necessary and effective response to the Great Depression. Others

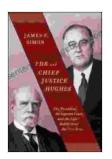
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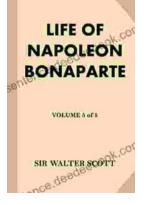


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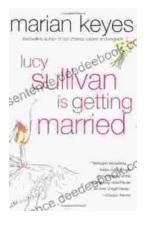
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