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Australia and Africa Nikola Pijović 2019-01-28 This book offers analysis of Australia's engagement with Africa, as well as the country's rather unique status as a 'new' actor and emerging country in Africa. With its empirical originality and comparative contribution, the book fills a gap in both the study of Africa's global engagement with emerging countries, and in connection with Australia's largely unknown engagement with African states. Australia has presented itself as Africa's 'friend from the south,' without any colonial baggage, and is interested in a long-term partnership for trade and development. In this context, Australia is only one of many 'new' players seeking more intensive engagement with Africa since the end of the Cold War. At its core, the book argues that because of its largely unacknowledged 'flawed' historical engagement with Africa, as well as the political partisanship driving its fickle and volatile contemporary engagement with the continent, Australia suffers from an inability to assess its strategic and long-term interests - i.e., it doesn't know what it wants in or from Africa. This makes Australia a rather unique emerging player in Africa: while other 'new' actors' engagement with Africa is generally strategic, and driven to a large extent by a desire to secure resources and counter the influence of geopolitical rivals, Australia's efforts with regard to Africa are more episodic and not about acquiring resources or countering its rivals. Hence, while immigration, globalization, trade, terrorism, and climate change continue to bring Africa and Australia closer together, Australia's failure to understand its own interests continues to hamper its engagement with Africa.

Australians Thomas Keneally 2016-10-26 Australians, Thomas Keneally's widely acclaimed three volume history of the Australian people from origins to Vietnam, gave us a robust, vibrant and page-turning narrative that brought to life the vast range of characters who have formed our national story. Australians: a short history brings these three volumes together and reintroduces us to the rich assortment of contradictory, inspiring and surprising characters who made a young and cocky Australia. It is the story of the original Australians and European occupation of their land through the convict era to pastoralists, bushrangers and gold seekers, working men, pioneering women, the rifts wrought by World War I, the rise of hard-nosed radicals from the Left and the Right, the social upheavals of the Great Crash and World War II, the Menzies era, the nation changing period of post-war migration and Australia's engagement with Asia. This is a truly masterly history of Australia and its people by an author of outstanding literary skill whose own humanity permeates every page. Praise for Australians, the three volume history '... giving us what Australian history has desperately needed for years.' Canberra Times 'Keneally evokes these distant lives with concrete detail and vivid sympathy ... his people inhabit the same world we do - we meet them without the hesitation of reaching across voids of space and time.' Sydney Morning Herald 'When it comes to writing page-turning narrative no one does it better than Thomas Keneally ... no doubt about it, Australians is a corker.' Weekend Australian 'Reading this book is like listening to a witty raconteur.' Adelaide Advertiser 'This new perspective on Australia's founding fathers is truly fascinating.' Courier Mail '... what this book does is populate the blankness of our collective memory with lots of characters from all parts of the continent and all walks of life.' Saturday Age

Nonalignment and Peace Versus Military Alignment and War Nihal Henry Kuruppu 2004 Articles on India-Australia bilateral relationship, 1947-1975.

Maralinga Frank Walker 2014-08-26 'The story reaches out and grabs you by the throat' - Dr Clare Wright, historian and author of The Forgotten Rebels of Eureka The facts are shocking. The treachery is chilling. The fallout ongoing. This edition contains a new author note with shocking new material that has come to light as a result of the groundbreaking original publication. Investigative journalist Frank Walker's Maralinga is a must-read true story of the abuse of our servicemen, scientists treating the Australian population as lab rats and politicians sacrificing their own people in the pursuit of power. During the Menzies era, with the blessing of the Prime Minister, the British government exploded twelve atomic bombs on Australian soil. RAAF pilots were ordered to fly into nuclear mushroom clouds, soldiers told to walk into radioactive ground zero, sailors retrieved highly contaminated debris - none of them aware of the dangers they faced. But the betrayal didn't end with these servicemen. Secret monitoring stations were set up around the country to measure radiation levels and a clandestine decades-long project stole bones from dead babies to see how much fallout had contaminated their bodies - their grieving parents were never told. This chilling exposé drawn from extensive research and interviews with surviving veterans reveals the betrayal of our troops and our country. 'An amazing tale ? utterly gripping, it reads like a thriller' - Jon Faine, ABC Radio Melbourne 'This book will contribute to a much greater awareness and perhaps much more action on this issue' - Fran Kelly, ABC Radio National 'Walker demonstrates powerfully why, regardless of the context in which the testing took place, the emotional legacy of Maralinga will linger in the Australian psyche, just as do Gallipoli, Bodyline and Singapore. The cost in terms of damage to health, the environment and public trust in government will remain with us for generations to come' - The Australian 'Shocking revelations?' - Margaret Throsby, Midday Interview, ABC Classic FM 'An extraordinary story ? there are things here that would make your hair stand on end' - Philip Clark, ABC Radio Canberra 'This book should be on the school syllabus' - Andrew O'Keefe, Weekend Sunrise

Political Parties in Transition? Ian Marsh 2006 Australian politics have been dominated for nearly a century by two more or less continuous political groupings, Labor and the Liberal- National Coalition. But in recent decades Australians have embraced a new range of issues: gender, the environment, indigenous rights while party membership has collapsed.

Australia and Human Rights Caroline Fleay 2020-05-22 The Howard government's term in office in Australia from 1996 to 2007 is often portrayed as one where Australia retreated from its international human rights obligations. Throughout this era a range of government policies attracted much criticism for downplaying or ignoring human rights. Less attention has been given to the human rights policies of previous Australian governments and the heritage they provided for the Howard government. Situating the policies of the Howard government within those of previous Australian governments provides a greater understanding of human rights in Australia. This book examines human rights policies in Australia in three key areas: human rights in Australia-China relations; responses to asylum seekers and refugees; and engagement with human rights at the United Nations. These areas highlight where the Howard government clearly deviated from some of the more positive human rights policies of its predecessors. The book also challenges the perception that Australia has a proud history of human rights policy by revealing where the Howard government continued or revived policies of earlier Australian governments that were not consistent with international human rights standards. Such an understanding of human rights in Australian policy is imperative for informed analysis and debate on current and future policy trends.

International Law in Public Debate Madelaine Chiam 2021-12-09 A history of international law in public debates and its resulting popular language of international law.

The Good, the Bad and the Unlikely Mungo MacCallum 2014-07-23 Good drinkers, bad swimmers and unlikely heroes. Since Australia's birth in 1901, twenty-seven politicians have run the national show. Their time at the top has ranged from eight days for Frank Forde to eighteen years for Bob Menzies. But whatever the length of their term, each Prime Minister has a story worth sharing. Edmund Barton united the bickering states in a federation; Billy Hughes forced US President Woodrow Wilson to take notice of Australia. The unlucky Jimmy Scullin took office days before Wall Street crashed into the Great Depression, while John Curtin faced the ultimate challenge of wartime leadership. John Gorton, Gough Whitlam and Paul Keating each shook up their parties' policies so vigorously that none lasted much longer than a single term in office. With characteristic wit and expert knowledge, Mungo MacCallum brings the nation's leaders to vivid life. The Good, the Bad and the Unlikely tells the tale of the many men and one woman who've had a crack at running the country. It is a wonderfully entertaining education. 'The most informative and entertaining book about Australian politics since Don Watson's Recollection of a Bleeding Heart.' The Sydney Morning Herald 'Vintage Mungo.' The Australian

Aborigines & Activism Jennifer Clark 2008 In a provocative reappraisal of the 1960s, Aborigines & Activism recontextualises the history of Aboriginal activism within wider international movements. Concurrent to anti-war protests, women's movements, burgeoning civil rights activism in the United States and the struggles of South Africa's anti-apartheid freedom fighters, dramatic political changes took place in 'assimilated' Australia that challenged its status quo. From the early days of grassroots resistance through to Charles Perkins' 1965 Freedom Ride, the 1967 Referendum, Canberra's Tent Embassy and beyond, this is the story of the Great

Southern Land's racial awakening - a time when Aborigines and their white supporters achieved paradigmatic shifts in the search for equality, justice and human dignity that still has powerful implications for 21st century Australia. This is an engaging study of the stories of racial awakening in Australia that marked the coming of the wind of change. Through rigorous research, the author shows how supporters of Indigenous Australians and their struggles for equality pushed Australia into the 60s literally and figuratively. The book also puts the Australian experience of the 60s into an international perspective, portrayed as unique but not in isolation.

A Sense of Balance John Howard 2022-08-17 On how our sense of balance has defined us as a nation and will safeguard our future. In the years that John Howard served in the national parliament he came to understand the special character of Australia; to appreciate its strengths and weaknesses; and most importantly to respect the sense of balance in the formulation of public policy that has long defined us as a people and made Australia an attractive destination for people from across the world. In this book he explores this balance, its foundations and its future. Written against the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as some of the more contested political events of recent years - the election of Donald Trump, the Brexit vote, the rise of China, and, within our own country, a carousel of six prime ministers in eleven years - these reflections touch on how Australia has responded to pressure over the last decade or so. Commentary on these subjects from politicians, opinion writers and social media can sometimes seem shrill and divisive. Australia's 25th and second longest serving prime minister has faith that no matter what challenges and extremes threaten to upset our sense of balance, the country's institutions and people will remain robust into the foreseeable future.

God and Menzies The Faith that Shaped a Prime Minister and His Nation David Furse-Roberts 2021-09-25 Sir Robert Menzies was driven by a passionate belief in individual freedom, personal responsibility and human dignity. In God & Menzies, David Furse-Roberts reveals the Judeo-Christian origins of Menzies' empowering Liberal philosophy that became embedded in Australia's cultural DNA. God & Menzies is essential reading for everybody who seeks a deeper understanding of Australian liberalism and the place of religion in a secular society. 'David Furse-Roberts has established himself as one of Australia's leading Menzies experts with this spiritual-intellectual biography of Australia's longest-serving Prime Minister. The depth of the research and scope of the themes makes this book the benchmark for future religious biographies of Australian statespeople...' - Dr Stephen Chavura, Lecturer at Campion College. 'God & Menzies is a scholarly study of how Robert Menzies' deeply considered Christian faith informed his commitment to the principles of secular liberalism and served as the lodestar that guided his consequential career. Furse-Roberts has written a timely reminder that Christianity has long been an integral component of Australia's vibrant secular democracy.' - Rev Peter Kurti, Centre for Independent Studies. 'In an era when religion in an overt sense is essentially marginal to political life, this important study is deeply revealing of its significance in the Australian nation throughout the middle decades of the twentieth century. Moreover, it makes a major contribution in demonstrating Sir Robert Menzies' leadership in ridding Australia of the curse of sectarianism.' - Adjunct Professor J. R. Nethercote, Australian Catholic University. 'David Furse-Roberts' God & Menzies is a welcome addition to the burgeoning literature on the beliefs and values of Australia's longest serving Prime Minister. This well researched and clearly written book contributes what few professional historians in Australia are now capable of, namely, an educated and serious engagement with the theological and moral positions that informed Robert Menzies' public life. - Dr Geoff Treloar, Australian College of Theology.

The Australian Government Muscling in on School Education Grant Rodwell 2020-06-04 Despite the Australian Constitution implying school education to be a state responsibility, the Commonwealth has increasingly interfered with state school education. The Australian Government Muscling in on School Education therefore offers a historical account of this government involvement in Australian education, from federation to the present day, providing a much-needed, fully updated and relevant overview of the topic. Arguing that education has become an arena for competing political forces, this book examines the powerful influence of the Commonwealth over education and the political motives behind it, exploring how politics influences aspects of the curriculum, teaching standards, assessment and reporting, funding, teacher selection and policy more broadly. Ultimately questioning whether this influence is in the interests of the members of the community who depend on education, the book holds government engagement in education to account. Taking the major epochs of federalism as an organizing framework, the book's chapters include explorations of: The efficiency dynamic and the progressive years (1919-39) Postwar imperatives and the Menzies years (1949-72) Coordinative federalism and treading softly: the Whitlam years (1972-5) and Fraser years (1975-83) Corporate federalism: the Hawke/Keating years (1983-96) Supply-side federalism and globalization: the Howard years (1996-2007) National control and the Rudd, Gillard, Abbott, Turnbull and Morrison years (2007-15) A thorough and significant examination of the historical engagement of the Australian government in education, this book is essential reading for student teachers and postgraduate students in education studies and politics.

The Airport Economist Flies Again! Tim Harcourt 2021-04-15 How does an economist meet Borat in London and Tony Blair in Kazakhstan? Or meet Sachin Tendulkar in the morning and Miss Universe in the afternoon in Mumbai? Or ride camels in Abu Dhabi and Alpaca in Peru? The Airport Economist Tim Harcourt has done all this and many more in his travels and discoveries on what makes the global economy tick. With a clever turn of phrase, witty observations and links to a wealth of supporting data, The Airport Economist Flies Again! proves that there is an export dimension to everything and that not all economics writing has to leave you high and dry! This book demystifies the global economy to make economics and international trade both accessible and entertaining to the general reader. In addition to providing some general lessons and insights on economics and international trade, it offers practical business tips for travellers doing business from Mongolia to Mexico and South Korea to Kazakhstan.

The Story of Australia Louise C Johnson 2021-09-03 The Story of Australia provides a fresh, engaging and comprehensive introduction to Australia's history and geography. An island continent with distinct physical features, Australia is home to the most enduring Indigenous cultures on the planet. In the late eighteenth century newcomers from distant worlds brought great change. Since that time, Australia has been shaped by many peoples with competing visions of what the future might hold. This new history of Australia integrates a rich body of scholarship from many disciplines, drawing upon maps, novels, poetry, art, music, diaries and letters, government and scientific reports, newspapers, architecture and the land itself, engaging with Australia in its historical, geographical, national and global contexts. It pays particular attention to women and Indigenous Australians, as well as exploring key themes including invasion/colonisation, land use, urbanisation, war, migration, suburbia and social movements for change. Elegantly written, readers will enjoy Australia's story from its origins to the present as the nation seeks to resolve tensions between Indigenous dispossession, British tradition and multicultural diversity while finding its place in an Asian region and dealing with global challenges like climate change. It is an ideal text for students, academics and general readers with an interest in Australian history, geography, politics and culture.

Mr Big of Bankstown Andrew Moore 2011 "When an article printed in a local newspaper in 1955 resulted in the goaling of rough-hewn Bankstown businessman Ray Fitzpatrick and trouble-making journalist Frank Browne, one of the most extraordinary legal cases in Australia's history unfolded. Mr Big of Bankstown mixes bribery, corruption, violence and power-wrangling, to reveal the Underbelly of 1950s Australia. Fitzpatrick's penchant for rorting the system and Browne's reputation for fiery verbal attacks got the pair in trouble when they used Fitzpatrick's newspaper to teach MP Charles Morgan a lesson. In an unprecedented use of parliamentary privilege, Fitzpatrick and Browne were imprisoned solely on a vote of the House of Representatives -- without charge, trial or legal representation for making unsubstantiated and erroneous claims. Amongst the business rivalries and factional politics of post-war Bankstown, the Fitzpatrick and Browne affair pitted the right to free speech against parliamentary privilege."--Publisher's website.

Man of the Century John Ramsden 2002 Man of the Century is the often surprising story of how Winston Churchill, in the last years of his life, carefully crafted his reputation for posterity, revealing him to be perhaps the twentieth century's first, and most gifted, "spin doctor." Ramsden draws on fresh material and extensive research on three continents to argue that the statesman's force of personality and romantic, imperial notion of Britain has contributed directly to many of the political debates of the last decades --

including American involvement in Vietnam and the role of the Anglo-American alliance in promoting and protecting a certain vision of world order.

Stepping Up to the Plate Graham Maddox 2016-10-17 Americans call themselves a democracy, but they are not. America has redefined democracy to make it conform to the capitalist economy and rule by wealth elites. When American leaders say they wish to make the world safe for democracy, they really mean that they want the world, including Australia, to subsume itself into this US project. Any process resulting in Australia absorbing more of the United States' corporatist political culture will result in the serious erosion of our own democratic ideals. Australia should resist this, especially at a time when such corporatist politics is losing its legitimacy. We are better served by our own robust system of democracy.

Education Policy and the Political Right Grant Rodwell 2021-12-29 This work attempts a comparative description and analysis, focusing on the US, the UK, and Australia on the topic of the Right, educational policy, and schooling. It adopts as its underlying theme the burning fuse in tracing the topic back to Joseph de Maistre a Rightist who fled revolutionary France to seek safety in the company of Tsar Alexander I's Russian Empire. Here, he had much to say about school education, not for all, but rather the "deserving" social elite. During the past three or four decades in the US, the UK, and Australia, the Right has been remarkably successful in amassing political power. And in doing so, the right of politics in these countries has reshaped school educational policy and practice, a necessary step in securing the future of the Right as a political force. Moreover, even during the years the Right has been on the opposition benches in these countries, such has been the strength of their political force that governments of the Left have acquiesced to much of their school educational policy. A pioneering effort, this book asserts that to understand school educational policy in the third decade of the 21st century, we need to comprehend the politics of the Right. This book will be of interest to researchers and postgraduate students interested in Education Studies, Theory and Policy, and International and Comparative Education.

The Menzies Era John Howard 2014-10-01 An assessment of Australia's longest-serving Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, by John Howard, Australia's second-longest serving Prime Minister, this is a significant, unique and fascinating history of the Menzies era - a time that laid the foundations for modern Australia. 'Engaging and revealing ... like a torchlight shone from an unexpected angle' Geoffrey Blainey, Weekend Australian Fresh from the success of his phenomenal bestselling memoir, LAZARUS RISING, which has sold over 100,000 copies, John Howard now turns his attention to one of the most extraordinary periods in Australian history, the Menzies era, canvassing the longest unbroken period of government for one side of politics in Australia's history. The monumental Sir Robert Menzies held power for a total of over 18 years, making him the longest-serving Australian Prime Minister. During his second term as Prime Minister, a term of over sixteen years - by far the longest unbroken tenure in that office - Menzies dominated Australian politics like no one else has ever done before or since, and these years laid the foundations for modern Australia. The Menzies era saw huge economic growth, social change and considerable political turmoil. Covering the impact of the great Labor split of 1955 as well as the recovery of the Labor Party under Whitlam's leadership in the late 1960s and the impact of the Vietnam War on Australian politics, this magisterial book offers a comprehensive assessment of the importance of the Menzies era in Australian life, history and politics. John Howard, only ten when Menzies rose to power, and in young adulthood when the Menzies era came to an end, saw Menzies as an inspiration and a role model. His unique insights and thoughtful analysis into Menzies the man, the politician, and his legacy make this a fascinating, highly significant book. 'This important book' Clive James, Times Literary Supplement

Alan the Red Fox Reid Ross Fitzgerald 2010 Arguably Australia's most influential political journalist, Alan 'The Red Fox' Reid covered Australian politics from the 1930s to the 1980s. During his career he was both a chronicler of, and a player in, Australian politics. In this book Ross Fitzgerald and Stephen Holt take us into a Machiavellian behind-the-scenes world of recurrent plots, crises and leadership challenges, and show how it was possible for a skilled journalist to help shape both public perceptions and actual outcomes of political power plays.

The 20th Century Go-N Frank N. Magill 2014-03-05 Each volume of the Dictionary of World Biography contains 250 entries on the lives of the individuals who shaped their times and left their mark on world history. This is not a who's who. Instead, each entry provides an in-depth essay on the life and career of the individual concerned. Essays commence with a quick reference section that provides basic facts on the individual's life and achievements. The extended biography places the life and works of the individual within an historical context, and the summary at the end of each essay provides a synopsis of the individual's place in history. All entries conclude with a fully annotated bibliography.

Hybrid Public Policy Innovations Mark Fabian 2018-03-12 Political discourse in much of the world remains mired in simplistic ideological dichotomies of market fundamentalism for efficiency versus substantial socialism for equity. Contemporary public policy design is far more sophisticated. It blends market, government and community tools to simultaneously achieve both equity and efficiency. Unlike in the twentieth century, this design is increasingly grounded in a deep evidence base derived by way of rigorous empirical techniques. A new paradigm is emerging: hybrid policies. This volume provides a thorough introduction to this technical side of public policy analysis and development. It demonstrates that it is possible to go beyond ideology, and find there some powerful answers to our most pressing problems. An international team of experts, many of whom have experience with the design or implementation of hybrid policies, helps cover the behavioural, institutional and regulatory theories that inform the choice of policy objectives and lead the initial conception of solutions. They explain the reasons why we need evidence-based public policy and the state-of-the-art empirical techniques involved in its development. And they analyse a range of in-depth case studies from industrial relations to health care to illustrate how hybrids can intermingle the strengths of governments, markets and the community to combat the weaknesses of each and arrive at bipartisan outcomes. Hybrid Public Policy Innovations is geared to scholars and practitioners of public policy administration and management who desire to understand the analytical reasons why policies are designed the way they are, and the purpose of evidence-gathering frameworks attached to policies at implementation.

Dear Prime Minister Martyn Lyons 2021-10-01 'I am sir [sure] you will act as human bean', wrote one distressed pensioner to Prime Minister Robert Menzies in 1953, pleading for assistance. Robert Menzies received 22,000 letters during his record-breaking 1949-1966 second term as Australian Prime Minister. From war veterans, widows and political leaders to school students and homespun philosophers. Ordinary citizens sent their congratulations and grievances and commented on speeches they had heard on radio. They lectured him, quoted Shakespeare and the Bible at him and sent advice on how to eliminate the rabbit problem. In Dear Prime Minister, Menzies' fabled 'Forgotten People' write back. Revealed here for the first time, the letters respond to the royal visit of 1954, Communism, Australia's British connection and the dire poverty of aged pensioners. For many writers, these were not post-war boom years, but a time of anxiety and conflict, punctuated by fears of war, another Great Depression, or a nuclear Armageddon. Dear Prime Minister is a fascinating insight into the concerns, assumptions and political beliefs of 1950s and 1960s Australians. 'An elegantly wry testament to a lost era of letter-writing, as Menzies' 'Forgotten People' lay bare their assorted fears, gripes, hopes, sycophancy, paranoia, generosity, smugness, ingrained racism, sectarian prejudices, sometimes desperate poverty - and often atrocious spelling.' - Richard White

In Between Countries Andrew Fenton Cooper 1997 With increased interest in Canada and Australia over the last decade, students of foreign policy have produced an increasingly diverse range of scholarly material concerning the role and issue-orientation of these two countries. But until now there has been no study that bridges the mode of analysis found in the distinctive sets of comparative and international relations literature. In Between Countries fills this gap by providing a detailed study of the similarities and differences between Australia and Canada relating to agricultural trade negotiations.

Politics is People Edgar George Holt 1969

Aberdeen Before 1800 E. Patricia Dennison 2002 This volume, the earlier of the two-volume official History of Aberdeen, provides a comprehensive picture of the development of the two historic burghs of Old Aberdeen and New Aberdeen over their first seven centuries, from 1100 to 1800. As early as the 14th century, Aberdeen was recognized as one of the 'four great towns of Scotland'. Early settlement, the growing townscape and social change over the centuries are all traced. Aberdeen's contacts with the sea and other towns overseas and its economy and politics, both local and national, are assessed. And Aberdonians themselves, the vital forces behind the history of the two burghs, are highlighted: their faith and culture, homes and health, and their education and pastimes are all rediscovered.

Cold War and Decolonisation Andrea Benvenuti 2017-05-12 Australia's policy towards Britain's end of empire in Southeast Asia influenced the course of this decolonization in the region. In this book, Andrea Benvenuti discusses the development of Australia's foreign and defence policies towards Malaya and Singapore in light of the redefinition of Britain's imperial role in Southeast Asia and the formation of new post-colonial states. Placed within the emerging literature on the global impact of the Cold War, the book sheds new light on the choices made - by Australia, by Britain and the new emerging states - in these crucial years.

Breaking the Sheep's Back Charles Massy 2016-07-01 The 10-billion-dollar collapse of the wool industry is

considered one of Australia's biggest business disasters, and for the first time, the shocking true story behind this colossal collapse is revealed. Spanning 170 years from the birth of the industry in 1840 and its boom during the 1950s through its unraveling from 1980 to 1991, this is a searing account of greed, political corruption, and heavy-handed protectionism. As it uncovers the never-before-seen archival sources, government and board papers, and private correspondence and shares exclusive interviews with key whistle blowers, this narrative unveils the gripping true story of government corruption in a seemingly untouchable industry.

Lazarus Rising John Howard 2013 Revised and updated version of the bestselling political biography of 2010. This edition contains some completely new content from Mr Howard, including his thoughts on the 2013 election campaigns. John Howard's autobiography, Lazarus Rising, is the biggest-selling political memoir Australia has seen. In it he talks about his love for his family, his rollercoaster ride to the Lodge and how - as prime minister - he managed a strongly growing Australian economy and led Australia's war on terrorism. Drawing on his deep interest in history, he paints a fascinating picture of a changing Australia. In this edition, fully updated to take into account the return of the Liberal National Party to government after the 2013 election, Howard analyses the crucial years between the 2010 election which gave rise to the minority government of Julia Gillard, and the consequent unprecedented and destabilising leadership struggles within the Labor party. He discusses the significance of Tony Abbott's achievements in defeating the Labor Government in 2013, and provides a masterful summary of legacy of the Rudd/Gillard years for Australia. Lazarus Rising is essential reading for all followers of politics. PRAISE FOR LAZARUS RISING: 'John Howard has written a magisterial autobiography, compulsively readable in its way' The Weekend Australian 'Underneath Howard's plain political style lies an excellent communicator. His capacity to express his thoughts clearly, calmly and simply shines through' Sydney Morning Herald

So Many Firsts Margaret FitzHerbert 2009 Inspiring and informative, So Many Firsts examines the political lives of women in the Liberal Party from Enid Lyons to today. Annabelle Rankin, Margaret Guilfoyle, Helen Coonan and Julie Bishop are among the pioneering women who achieved so many firsts in their achievements as women, and for women. They had many hurdles to overcome - including the long fight to extend child endowment, the battle to remove the legislative barriers to married women working in the public service, equal work, equal opportunity and equal pay - along with the notion that they could do more than only represent women's issues. In 1948, The Mail helpfully declared of Senator Annabelle Rankin: "She tackles men's problem's too". In the Turnbull era, women are occupying many of Party's key positions, and continue to applying their spirit and talent to achieving even more firsts for the nation.

The Menzies Era Scott Prasser 1995 This analysis of former prime minister Robert Menzies and his era is based on new research. Reviews the workings and achievements of the Menzies government and presents a framework for assessing its historical importance and impact. The eight contributors are well qualified in various fields such as political science, history and international relations, and have published widely. *The Times Will Suit Them* Geoff Boucher 2020-07-23 John Howard said, 'The times will suit me,' and they did. For over a decade John Howard took advantage of international crises and local anxieties to not only stay in government, but to radically reshape Australian public life. The Times Will Suit Them digs behind the headlines to explain the success of Howard's radical new conservatism. It shows how the Howard government and its small legion of culture warriors responded to deep changes engendered by two decades of economic reform by importing moral agendas from the US. The result was a brand of deeply postmodern conservatism which undermined much that traditional conservatives hold dear. From Hansonism to children overboard to the Intervention in the Northern Territory and beyond, The Times Will Suit Them offers a fresh and provocative analysis from two Young Turks. It is compelling reading for anyone seeking to understand the drivers in contemporary Australian politics.

Nugget Coombs Tim Rowse 2005-09-27 A 2002 biography of H. C. 'Nugget' Coombs, one of the most influential Australians of the twentieth century.

Me 'n' Pete: Recalling a Fifties' Childhood Gerard Charles Wilson 2021-06-12 A social history of Australia, not of the famous and heroic, but of the small people, the anonymous people who were the heartbeat of a growing nation What did kids do in the 1950s when there were no smartphones, tablets, and computers? They roamed the neighbourhood on scooters and bikes. They went on bush hikes. They went to Saturday matinees where the theatres were packed to the rafters, and kids yelled at hero-action and booped kissing. Most of their pleasures were self-made. Besides roaming the streets free of risk, kids enjoyed trips to the beach and zoo. They took a double-decker bus town to see the Christmas displays. Christmas in the city was a wonderland of toys and amusements. The decade of the 1950s now seems idyllic to many now in their seventies and eighties. It was so different from the first decades of the 21st century that those years now seem like another world, an impossible world of social and moral values. In today's atmosphere, it seems hard to imagine it possessed any legitimate social and moral coherence. The author looks back on those years, telling the story as much about the world he grew up in as about himself. He starts from his birth in July 1946 and goes to the end of his second year at primary school, 1953, when he turned six and learnt to read. It was also the year that Princess Elizabeth was crowned Queen of England, a super-nova event for Australia. The author's story involves his lifelong friend, Pete, a rubella baby, a condition which tragically took his already poor sight in his teenage years. Pete's story, told as an adult without sight, is fascinating. The year 1946 was the year after the Second World War had ended. Despite an optimistic outlook, Australia was full of talk of the war - of the threat of war, of the suffering, of the shocking cruelty of the Japanese army, and of lost loved ones. The author's upbeat father, just discharged from the navy with the rank of Chief Petty Officer, put it all behind him and began building the family's first house in Lane Cove, a suburb on the north side of Sydney Harbour, and the scene of his childhood. Their new three-bedroom, double-brick home was like a palace. For a boy, who according to his mother had ants in his pants, the author remembers much about the social and political events that provoked his father into long and loud comment. He has clear memories of the Korean War, the activities of the communist-controlled unions, Prime Minister Menzies' measures against them, and so much more. The local convent under the regime of the Mercy Sisters is an unmissable part of his story. He recalls with affection the sisters' teaching methods and their strict regimentation of their pupils. He thinks some of their disciplinary methods, now condemned by many, are rather amusing to look back on. He regards that class of 1953 as the end of a phase in his development when he learnt to read. The following year, 1954, was rich in social and political events and will start the fourth book in the family history series, COMMUNISTS, BILLYCARTS AND TWO WHEELERS.

Australia's Prime Ministers Brian Carroll 2004 Tells the story of each of Australia's 25 Prime Ministers. *The 'Whig' View of Australian History and Other Essays* Allan William Martin 2007 Includes essays on topics such as federation and nationalism, the middle class in the 1950s, the first Vietnamese refugees, as well as all the essays on Robert Menzies that Martin wrote while writing Menzies' biography.

When London Calls Stephen Alomes 1999-10-11 For thousands of young Australians the tearful dockside farewell was a rite of passage as they boarded ships bound for London. For some the journey was an extended holiday, but for many actors, painters, musicians, writers and journalists, leaving Australia seemed to be the only path to personal and professional fulfilment. This book, first published in 2000, is a collective biography of those people who found themselves categorised as expatriates - people such as Leo McKern, Dame Joan Sutherland, Barry Tuckwell, Don Banks, Phillip Knightley, John Pilger, Peter Porter, Richard Neville, Jill Neville and 'megastars' Barry Humphries, Germaine Greer and Clive James. The book tells of choices they made about career and country, yet it is also a cultural history that traces shifts in the complex relationship between Australia and Britain, as the supposed colonial backwater began to develop its own cultural identity. *Menzies at War* Anne Henderson 2014-07-01 In the months following his resignation as PM in late August 1941, Menzies swayed between relief at his release from the burdens of office as PM and despair that his life at the top had come to so little. Many followers of Australian political history, including Liberal party supporters, forget that Robert Menzies had many years in the political wilderness not knowing he would end up being Australia's longest-serving prime minister. This book focuses on the period between 1941, when Menzies lost the prime-ministership, to 1949, when he regained it. In the interim he travelled around the world, spending an extended time in Britain during World War II, set up the Liberal Party and, the author argues, developed the leadership qualities that made him so successful. Anne Henderson refers to this time as his real political bleeding.

The Menzies Era and After, 1949-1970 Don Whittington 1971-01-01

Error Australis Ben Pobjie 2016-06-01 We're engrossed with reality TV these days, yet we so often neglect the greatest reality of all: the reality of our nation and how it came to be. In Error Australis, TV columnist, comedian and history buff Ben Pobjie recaps the history of Australia from its humble beginnings as a small patch of rapidly cooling rock to its modern-day status as one of the major powers of the sub-Asian super-Antarctic next-to-Africa region. As thrilling as it is to see Delta Goodrem's chair turn around, there's an argument that World War Two was even more exciting and, like any good recapper, Pobjie provides an immediate, visceral sense of what it was like to be there in the moment at our nation's defining events. It is only by looking at where we have been that we can understand who we are, what we stand for and why nothing seems to work. Error Australis is a scholarly and hilarious account of a young nation that has spent

many years seeking its place in the world, and almost as many years not liking what it has found.