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Imagination. Over  
three days in  
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much of Chicago,  
Illinois, was  
destroyed by one of  
the most legendary  
urban fires in  
history. Incorporated  
as a city in 1837,  
Chicago had grown  
at a breathtaking  
pace in the  
intervening  
decades—and  
much of the hastily-

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built city was made  
of wood. Starting in  
Catherine and  
Patrick O'Leary's  
barn, the Fire  
quickly grew out of  
control, twice  
jumping branches of  
the Chicago River  
on its relentless  
path through the  
city's three  
divisions. While the

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death toll was  
miraculously low,  
nearly a third of

Chicago residents  
were left homeless  
and more were  
instantly

unemployed. This  
popular history of  
the Great Chicago  
Fire approaches the  
subject through the  
memories of those

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who experienced it.  
Chicago historian  
Carl Smith builds  
the story around  
memorable  
characters, both  
known to history  
and unknown,  
including the likes of  
General Philip  
Sheridan and  
Robert Todd  
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chronicles the city's rapid growth and its place in America's post-Civil War expansion. The dramatic story of the fire—revealing human nature in all its guises—became one of equally remarkable renewal, as Chicago quickly rose back up from

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the ashes thanks to local determination and the world's generosity. As we approach the fire's 150th anniversary, Carl Smith's compelling narrative at last gives this epic event its full and proper place in our national chronicle.



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In 1871, the city of Chicago was almost entirely destroyed by what became known as The Great Fire. Thirty-five years later, San Francisco lay in smoldering ruins after the catastrophic earthquake of 1906. Or consider the

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case of the  
Jerusalem, the  
greatest site of  
physical destruction  
and renewal in  
history, which, over  
three millennia, has  
suffered wars,  
earthquakes, fires,  
twenty sieges,  
eighteen  
reconstructions, and  
at least eleven

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transitions from one  
religious faith to  
another. Yet this

ancient city has  
regenerated itself  
time and again, and  
still endures.

Throughout history,  
cities have been  
sacked, burned,  
torched, bombed,  
flooded, besieged,  
and leveled. And yet

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they almost always  
rise from the ashes  
to rebuild. Viewing a  
wide array of urban  
disasters in global  
historical  
perspective, The  
Resilient City traces  
the aftermath of  
such cataclysms as:  
--the British invasion  
of Washington in  
1814 --the

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devastation wrought  
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on Berlin, Warsaw,  
and Tokyo during  
World War II --the  
late-20th century  
earthquakes that  
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consistently develop  
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the pragmatic  
process of urban  
recovery is always  
fueled by highly

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symbolic actions,  
The Resilient City  
offers a deeply  
informative and  
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tribute to the  
dogged persistence  
of the city, and  
indeed of the human  
spirit.

"An examination of  
how the work of the  
American painter

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John Singer Sargent  
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was displayed,  
collected, and  
influential in the  
civic and cultural  
development of  
Chicago, Illinois  
during the late  
nineteenth and early  
twentieth  
centuries"--

The Great Chicago  
Fire of 1871, the



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Haymarket bombing  
of 1886, and the  
making and  
unmaking of the  
model town of  
Pullman—these  
remarkable events  
in what many  
considered the  
quintessential  
American city forced  
people across the  
country to confront

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the disorder that seemed inevitably to accompany urban growth and social change. In *Urban Disorder and the Shape of Belief*, Carl Smith explores the imaginative dimensions of these events as he traces the evolution of interconnected

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another, but  
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understood, and  
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eschew a narrow  
focus on past  
presidents,  
intellectuals,



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military heroes,  
and other  
exhaustively  
studied and well-  
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instead examine  
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that fill much of  
the North  
American interior,  
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the land that  
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occupies enjoyed  
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advantages,  
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global connections  
over centuries,

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John Quincy  
Adams,  
regarded by  
most***

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greatest  
secretary of  
state. The  
treaty was the  
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1819, of which  
Adams was  
the architect.  
It acquired*

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***Florida for the  
young United  
States,  
secured a  
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and bolstered  
the nation's  
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***step in the***  
***creation of an***  
***American***  
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the course of  
the often  
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Adams  
wrested the  
treaty from a  
recalcitrant  
Spain. The  
task required***

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***all of Adams's  
skill in  
diplomacy, for  
he faced a  
tangled skein  
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when he  
became  
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**that paved the  
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**Doctrine of  
1823. Adams,  
the son of a  
president and  
later himself  
president, saw  
himself as  
destined to  
play a crucial**

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*role in the  
growth and  
development  
of the United  
States. In this  
he succeeded.  
Yet his  
legendary  
statecraft  
proved  
bittersweet.  
Adams came*

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***to repudiate  
the slave  
society whose  
interests he  
had served by  
acquiring  
Florida, he  
was disgusted  
by the  
rapacity of the  
Jacksonians,  
and he***

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***experienced  
profound guilt  
over his own  
moral  
transgressions  
while  
secretary of  
state. In the  
end, Adams  
understood  
that great  
virtue cannot***

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**America,**  
**rampant**  
**inequality**  
**gave rise to a**  
**new form of**  
**Christianity,**  
**one that**

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***sought to ease***

***the sufferings***

***of the poor not***

***simply by***

***saving their***

***souls, but by***

***transforming***

***society. In***

***Union Made,***

***Heath W.***

***Carter***

***advances a***



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***historians***  
***have often***  
***attributed the***  
***rise of the***  
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reformers, this  
book places  
working  
people at the  
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*major characters--blacksmiths,*

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*makers,*

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*the thick of lat*  
*e-19th-century*  
*Chicago's*  
*tumultuous*  
*history, Carter*  
*shows that*  
*countless*  
*working-class*  
*believers*  
*participated in*  
*the heated*

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***debates over  
the  
implications of  
Christianity  
for  
industrializing  
society, often  
with as much  
fervor as they  
did in other  
contests over  
wages and the***

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***length of the  
workday. The  
city's trade  
unionists,  
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capitalism and  
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**ministers" who  
cozied up to  
the business  
elite. Their  
criticisms  
compounded  
church  
leaders'  
anxieties  
about losing  
the poor, such**



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Chicagoans And  
***that by the tur  
n-of-the-  
century many  
leading  
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were arguing  
that the only  
way to salvage  
hopes of a  
Christian  
America was  
for the***

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**churches to  
soften their  
position on  
"the labor  
question." As  
denomination  
after  
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did just that, it  
became  
apparent that  
the Social**

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***Gospel was,  
indeed, ascen  
dant--from  
below. At a  
time when the  
fate of the  
labor  
movement and  
rising  
economic  
inequality are  
once more***

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***pressing social  
concerns,  
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hell for the***

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*living." A*  
*century ago,*  
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*Mother Jones*  
*was a*  
*celebrated*  
*organizer and*  
*agitator, the*  
*very soul of*  
*the modern*  
*American*  
*labor*  
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**coal strikes,  
steel strikes,  
railroad,  
textile, and  
brewery  
strikes,  
Mother Jones  
was always  
there, stirring  
the workers to  
action and  
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proves why, in  
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**Jones "has  
won her way  
into the hearts  
of the nation's  
toilers, and . .  
. will be  
lovingly  
remembered  
by their  
children and  
their  
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10 o'clock on the  
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combined to turn  
Chicago into a "vast  
ocean of flame". The  
rift between the

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her husband, the  
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been called by  
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declared it a  
"City on the  
Make." Carl  
Sandburg  
dubbed it the  
"City of Big  
Shoulders."

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christened it  
"The Jungle,"  
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while New

Yorkers,  
naturally,  
pronounced it  
"the Second  
City." At last  
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for all of us,  
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Chicago. In this  
magisterial  
biography,  
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Pacygatraces  
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of his  
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1673 to the new wave of urban pioneers today.

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this book, from  
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Al Capone and  
Jane Addams to  
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Daley and  
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Obama. But  
what  
distinguishes  
this book from  
the many others  
on the subject is

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its author's  
uncommon  
ability to  
illuminate the  
lives of  
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ordinary people.  
Raised on the  
city's South Side  
and employed  
for a time in the  
stockyards,

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Pacyga gives voice to the city's steelyard workers and kill floor operators, and maps the neighborhoods distinguished not by Louis Sullivan masterworks, but by

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bungalows and  
corner taverns.  
Filled with the  
city's one-of-a-  
kind characters  
and all of its  
defining  
moments,  
Chicago: A  
Biography is as  
big and  
boisterous as its



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namesake—and  
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as ambitious as  
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the men and  
women who  
built it.

A little over a  
century ago,  
bubonic  
plague--the  
same Black  
Death that  
decimated

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medieval  
Europe--arrived  
on the shores of  
Hawaii just as  
the islands were  
about to  
become a U.S.  
territory. In this  
absorbing  
narrative, James  
Mohr tells the  
story of that

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fearful visitation  
and its fiery

climax--a vast  
conflagration

that engulfed  
Honolulu's

Chinatown. Mohr  
tells this

gripping tale

largely through  
the eyes of the

people caught

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up in the  
disaster, from  
members of the  
white elite to  
Chinese doctors,  
Japanese  
businessmen,  
and Hawaiian  
reporters. At the  
heart of the  
narrative are  
three American

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physicians--the Honolulu Board of Health--who became virtual dictators when the government granted them absolute control over the armed forces and the treasury. The doctors soon

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quarantined  
Chinatown,  
where the  
plague was  
killing one or  
two people a  
day and clearly  
spreading. They  
resisted intense  
pressure from  
the white  
community to

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burn down all of  
Chinatown at  
once and  
instead ordered  
a careful,  
controlled  
burning of  
buildings where  
plague victims  
had died. But a  
freak wind  
whipped one of

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those small fires  
into a roaring  
inferno that  
destroyed  
everything in its  
path, consuming  
roughly thirty-  
eight acres of  
densely packed  
wooden  
structures in a  
single afternoon.



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Some 5000  
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people lost their  
homes and all  
their

possessions and  
were marched in  
shock to  
detention  
camps, where  
they were  
confined under  
armed guard for

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weeks. Next to the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, the Chinatown fire is the worst civic disaster in Hawaiian history. A dramatic account of people

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struggling in the  
face of mounting  
catastrophe,

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management of

public housing is

often seen as a

signal failure of

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**poor.” In the**  
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1930s, two  
iconic American  
cities, Atlanta  
and Chicago,  
demolished their  
slums and  
established  
some of this  
country's first  
public housing.

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later, these  
same cities also  
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housing itself.

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detail about the  
development,  
decline, and  
redevelopment  
of two of  
America's most  
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projects:  
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Cabrini-Green  
and Atlanta's

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the American  
city is, in many  
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also left their  
impact on the  
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First  
established 150  
years ago,

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one of America's  
oldest Reform  
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were upwardly  
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civically  
committed men  
and women,  
founders and  
partners of  
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landmark

businesses like

Hart Schaffner &

Marx, Sears &

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explicitly

modern Jews,

Sinai's members

supported and

led civic

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of the people  
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the city—from

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colorful and  
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world's largest  
and most

sophisticated  
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the bomb in  
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collar hometown  
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Chicago is  
quintessentially  
American.

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city one of the  
best places in  
the world.

On May 4, 1886,  
a bomb exploded  
at a Chicago  
labor rally,  
wounding dozens  
of policemen,  
seven of whom  
eventually died.  
A wave of mass  
hysteria swept  
the country,

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leading to a sensational trial, that culminated in four controversial executions, and dealt a blow to the labor movement from which it would take decades to recover.

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Green recounts  
the rise of the  
first great  
labor movement  
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twenty-year  
struggle for the  
eight-hour  
workday.  
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gripping

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outsized

characters and a

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portrait of a

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movement, Death

in the Haymarket

is an important

addition to the

history of

American

capitalism and a

moving story



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about the class  
tensions at the  
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Chicago,  
Chicago ' s public

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Park, and the  
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Black Belt to  
consider how  
community  
leaders looked to  
the physical  
design of the city  
to shape its  
culture and  
promote civic  
interaction.

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In the process,  
universities, parks  
and playgrounds,  
and commercial  
entertainment  
districts emerged  
as alternative  
arenas of civic  
engagement.

“ Bachin incisively  
charts the  
development of

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helped constitute  
the messy vitality  
of Chicago ' s late  
nineteenth- and  
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realm. ” —Daniel  
Bluestone, Journal  
of American

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ambitious book  
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important insights  
about issues of  
public space and  
its use by urban  
residents. . . . It is  
thoughtful, very  
well written, and  
should be read  
and appreciated



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by anyone  
interested in  
Chicago or cities  
generally. It is also  
a gentle reminder  
that people are as  
important as  
structures and  
spaces in trying to  
understand urban  
development."

—Maureen A.

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A hundred years  
and more ago, a  
walk down a  
Chicago street  
invited an assault  
on the senses.  
Untiring hawkers  
shouted from  
every corner. The

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manure from  
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thousands of  
horses lay on  
streets pooled  
with molasses and  
puddled with  
kitchen grease.  
Odors from a river  
gelatinous and  
lumpy with all  
manner of  
foulness mingled

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with the all-  
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provided both  
workers and  
soldiers for the  
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ensuing decades  
that saw the rise  
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of a stratified class  
structure and  
growth in  
employment,  
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culture. Just as the  
city was  
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