# **Unveiling the Unsung Heroine: The Woman Behind the New Deal**

Meet Molly Dewson, the remarkable woman who played an instrumental role in shaping America's most transformative economic recovery plan: the New Deal. Her extraordinary story, meticulously chronicled in the illuminating book "The Woman Behind the New Deal," sheds new light on this unsung heroine and her profound impact on the nation.



### The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life of Frances Perkins, FDR'S Secretary of Labor and His Moral

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#### **Molly Dewson: The Woman Who Defied Conventions**

Born in 1874, Molly Dewson dared to defy societal norms. With a razor-sharp intellect and an unwavering determination, she pursued her education at Smith College, becoming one of the first women to earn a doctorate in economics. Her academic prowess propelled her into a world dominated by men, where she would leave an indelible mark.



#### A Brain Behind the New Deal

In the tumultuous years leading up to the Great Depression, Molly Dewson's expertise in economics proved invaluable. She worked tirelessly with President Franklin D. Roosevelt, providing insightful analysis and policy recommendations that would form the foundation of the New Deal.

Her groundbreaking research on unemployment and welfare programs laid the groundwork for social safety nets that would provide a lifeline to millions of Americans. From the Social Security Act to the National Recovery Administration, Molly's influence can be traced throughout the sweeping policies that transformed the nation.

#### A Voice for the Voiceless

Beyond her economic prowess, Molly Dewson was a tireless advocate for the disadvantaged. She championed labor rights, fought for fair wages, and pushed for measures that would alleviate poverty and inequality. Her compassion and unwavering belief in the power of government to create a more just society fueled her unwavering activism.

#### A Legacy of Impact

Molly Dewson's contributions to the New Deal were not fully recognized until decades later. Her work, long overshadowed by the towering figure of President Roosevelt, is now being celebrated and re-evaluated as a testament to her brilliance and unwavering commitment to social progress.

Her legacy extends beyond her time in Washington. Generations of policymakers, economists, and social advocates have been inspired by her groundbreaking ideas and advocacy for the common good.

"The Woman Behind the New Deal" is a captivating and inspiring account of an extraordinary woman whose influence shaped the course of American history. The life of Molly Dewson is a testament to the power of intellect, compassion, and the ability to defy conventions.

Her story is a reminder that even in the face of adversity, one person with a vision and determination can change the world for the better. Let us celebrate Molly Dewson's remarkable legacy and continue to be inspired by her unwavering commitment to creating a more equitable and just society.

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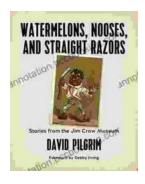
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