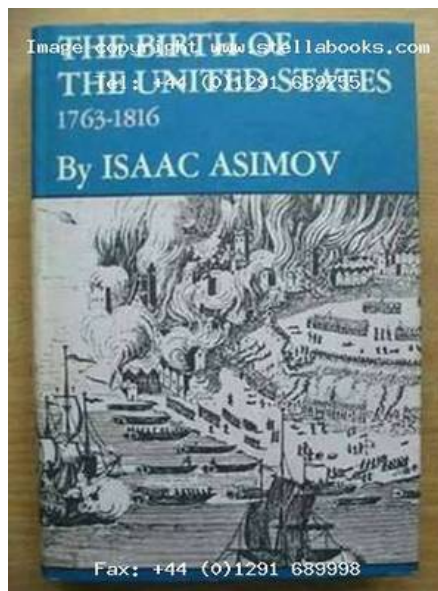




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Omar Monoperro says

"We burned this tight-arsed city to the ground in 1814. And I'm all for doing it again, starting with you, you frat fuck. " - Malcolm Tucker on Washington, D.C.

Curtiss says

The Good Doctor presents the history of The United States, from the coronation of George III on October 26th 1760, to Stephen Decatur's toast on the conclusion of the War of 1812 following his return from the Mediterranean in 1816; delivered it with Asimov's usual inimitably lucid and witty style. This is another one of the Good Doctor's many enjoyable and informative narratives covering the history of civilization.

Decatur's toast: "Our Country! In her intercourse with foreign nations, may she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong."

Chuck Leonard says

Easy and smooth read. Good overview of the topic with enough detail to keep it interesting.

Manuel Sotomayor says

Avanzando con Asimov Historia, ahora el segundo tomo de El Nacimiento de los EEUU de 1763 hasta 1816. Te brinda un panorama muy claro al proceso del primer proceso de independencia a la democracia de grandes magnitudes. Los retos, la falta de referentes, y también las coincidencias y los accidentes que han permitido que existan de la manera que existen los EEUU.

Un historia muy interesante. Vamos por el tercer tomo, la Guerra Civil.

Manuel.

David Alonso vargas says

Una de las mejores síntesis sobre el proceso de independencia de EEUU. Para refrescar la memoria lo releo a menudo.

Su says

A pesar de batallas y tantos personajes, Issac Asimov hace su magia y logra un texto ameno y entretenido. No es un texto definitivo (muy poco sobre la tensión entre indios y blancos, p. ej) pero buenísimo como punto de partida.

Elias Tsoukatos says

Siempre he tenido una relación amor y odio con los EEUU. A veces los amo, a veces los odio. Libros como este me hace amarlos.

Esagui says

¡Excelente continuación de lo ya hecho por Asimov! Ahora tengo como objetivo poder reunir la colección completa de esta estupenda obra histórica.

Sí, los gringos sin cabrones pero corrieron con mucha suerte, aunque sin demeritar su habilidad y la gente tan capaz que estuvo en sus inicios. Es un genial libro para entender a esa gran nación que, en lo personal, admiro y odio a iguales proporciones.

Liedzeit says

Like the other two books in his history of America this is nicely written but not as good as one has reason to hope. Asimov concentrates on heroes and villains and the book is mostly a military history. We learn how many people lived at any given year but apart from this it is mostly battles. Even though he is aware that a lot of the history that is taught to school children is mythical. But he cannot resist telling all the great quotes (and thank you for this). So we have the white in their eyes, my country right or wrong.

I wish he had written a straight biography of Benedict Arnold. He was the unsung hero and then finally he becomes a traitor. Very interesting. But most of the time I would like to know how Asimov is able to paint black and white. A general is either able of an utter fool. Well.

D F says

One of the easier and best history books I have read. Enjoyable to read and hard to put down at times.

Franco Olcese says

Como siempre con los libros de no ficción de Asimov, una maravilla. Asimov relata de una manera excepcional la historia, o lo que sea que escriba. Es una suerte que un escritor de tanto nivel haya dedicado

parte de su tiempo a la divulgación científica e histórica. Recomendando no sólo éste, si no toda la serie de Historia Universal.

Xabier says

La parte inicial, en la que se describen los hechos que llevaron a la guerra de independencia, está muy bien pero la parte que describe la guerra en si se me hizo un tanto pesada. Muy interesante la parte en la que explica cómo se diseñó el sistema de gobierno y los motivos por los que se hizo así. De nuevo, la parte que describe la segunda guerra contra los británicos pierde ritmo, al menos para mi gusto.

Avi says

I rarely learn very many new facts from Asimov's non-fiction books. They tend to cover basic areas of study with which I'm passingly familiar, and so it's mostly recovering old material for me. The thing is that Asimov's writing is so brilliantly clear and he puts all of these facts and incidents together so well that I gain a much better understanding of them in relation to one another.

I knew that Washington crossed the Delaware on Christmas Day in order to surprise a hung-over war camp, but I had always thought it was part of the culmination of the Revolutionary War; but it really happened at the beginning. I knew that Benedict Arnold was a traitor (who doesn't?), but I never knew what he did that was traitorous or who he was before he became a traitor (I also learned that there are two war memorials to Benedict Arnold, but neither mentions his name.)

Basically what I am saying is that it's a very good book.
