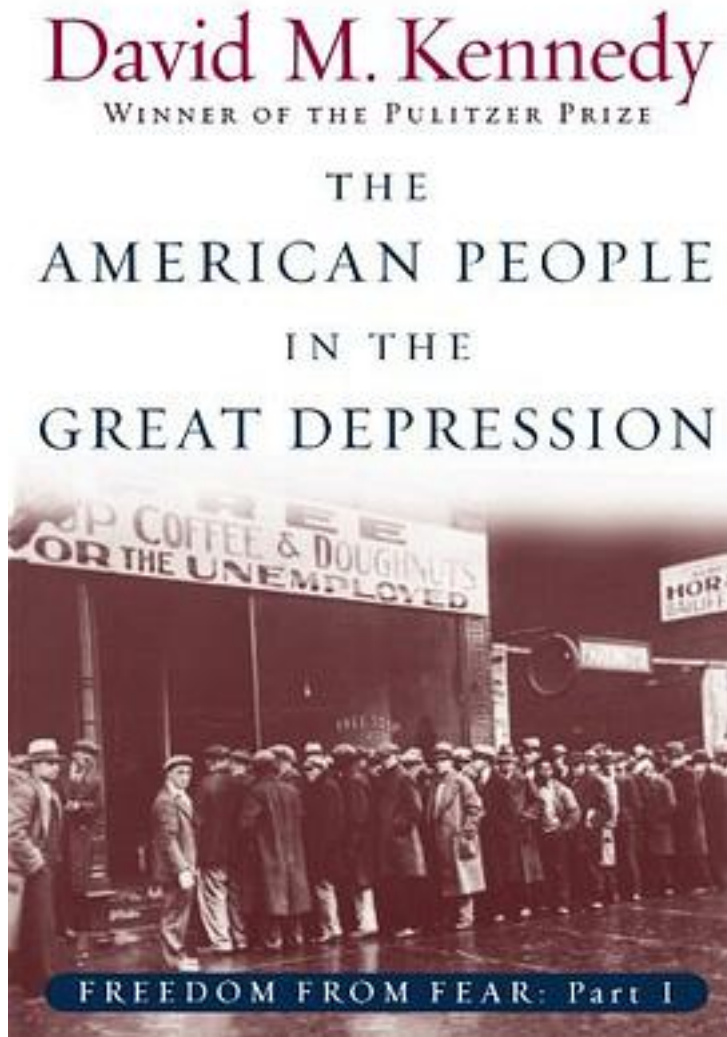


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On October 24, 1929, America met the greatest economic devastation it had ever known. In this first instalment of his Pulitzer Prize-winning *Freedom from Fear*, Kennedy tells how America endured, and eventually prevailed, in the face of that unprecedented calamity. Kennedy vividly demonstrates that the economic crisis of the 1930s was more than a reaction to the excesses of the 1920s. For more than a century before the Crash, America's unbridled industrial revolution had gyrated through repeated boom and bust cycles, consuming capital and inflicting misery on city and countryside alike. Nor was the alleged prosperity of the 1920s as uniformly shared as legend portrays. Countless Americans eked out threadbare lives on the margins of national life. Roosevelt's New Deal wrenched opportunity from the trauma of the 1930s and created a lasting legacy of economic and social reform, but it was afflicted with shortcomings and contradictions as well. With an even hand Kennedy details the New Deal's problems and defeats, as well as its achievements. He also sheds fresh light on its incandescent but enigmatic author, Franklin D. Roosevelt. Marshalling unforgettable narratives that feature prominent leaders as well as lesser-known citizens, *The American People in the Great Depression* tells the story of a resilient nation finding courage in an unrelenting storm.

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最近一段时间以来，“牛市”或者“经济回暖”的说法开始甚嚣尘上。迄今为止，各国政府普遍采取的是凯恩斯式的政府扩大支出的办法刺激经济，流动性正在全球泛滥，我们究竟会用多久的时间走出这次自大萧条以来最严重的经济衰退？用什么样的方式可以更快地走出？像罗斯福新政（N...

1929-1945, David M. Kennedy —
关于美国大萧条的又一部巨著，作者是普利策奖获得者，将美国在大萧条时期的生活描述得栩栩如生。虽然是在讲历史，书很厚，但语言很优美，非常容易阅读。

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