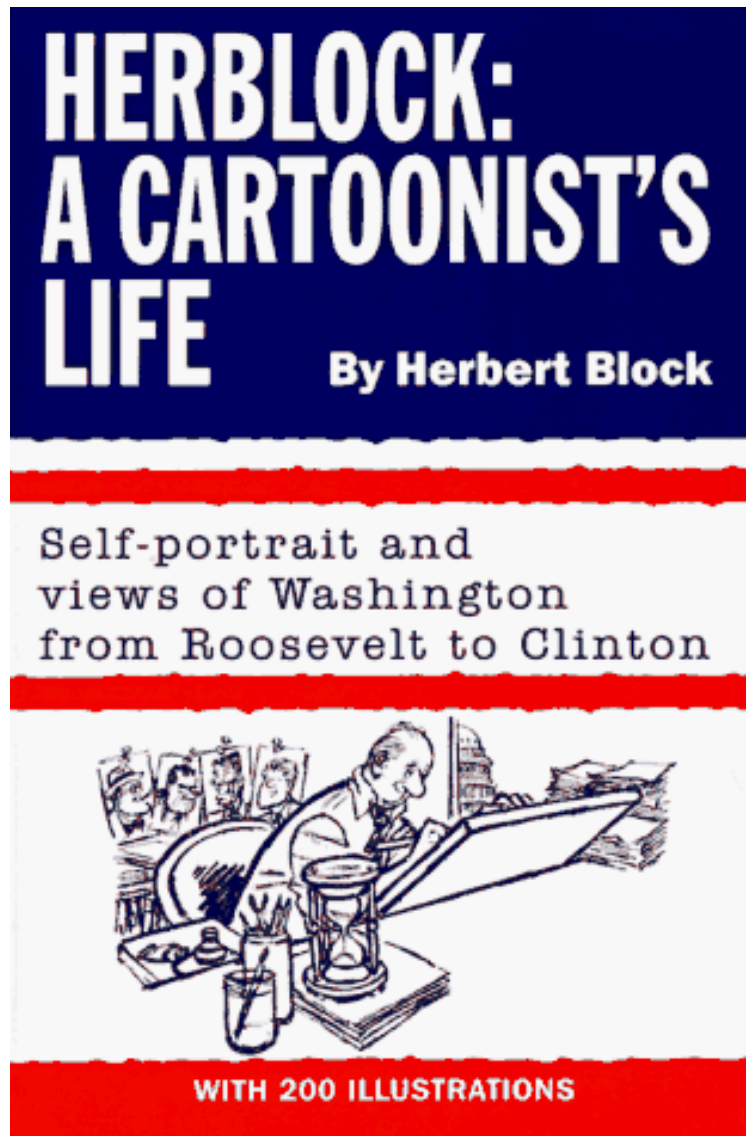


## Herblock: A Cartoonist's Life

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powerful. President Lyndon Johnson said of him, "Oh, he'll come over and eat your cookies, but then he'll go back and draw a cartoon giving you hell the next day." It was a distinction to catch hell from Herblock; his victims sometimes even requested the original cartoons. His cartoons present a liberal point of view, but no prominent politician was safe from Herblock's pen. He had no sacred cows. He knew lots of celebrities. The reader will enjoy his anecdotes about fellow cartoonists, authors, journalists, even movie stars. Political cartooning is hard work and Herblock did it well for forty-seven years. This book suggests that he enjoyed every minute of it! A fun read, especially for history buffs and political junkies. Lavishly illustrated with you know what. There is also a photo section. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Good Bio and Historic Political Cartoons By Stan Foster Good easy to read bio of cartoonist Herblock. As usual great historic and sometime biting political cartoons. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. For political junkies By Jeri Schatz This Is a great book and so much fun to see the cartoons. It brings to life earlier political stories in the best way possible.

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.com Herbert Block, or Herblock, as he is more commonly known, has been an editorial cartoonist for the Washington Post since 1945. A Cartoonist's Life reproduces 250 of his best cartoons from those years (along with some from his earlier stints in Chicago and Cleveland), skewering politicians from Hoover and FDR to Clinton and Gingrich. Herblock also offers his candid reflections on life in the newspaper trade, rubbing shoulders with the people he drew, including the evaluation offered by Lyndon Johnson at a White House reception: "Oh, he'll come over and eat your cookies, but then he'll go back and draw a cartoon giving you hell the next day." Herblock's always been willing to choose giving the objects of his criticism hell over the easy laugh, as many of the grimmer cartoons on subjects like antigun control lobbyists and the Bosnian conflict attest. The paperback edition includes added material going up to July 1998 addressing campaign finance reform, the unfinished war in Iraq, and the political showdown between President Clinton and independent prosecutor Kenneth Starr. From Publishers Weekly The prize-winning Washington Post editorial cartoonist Herblock is feared by erring politicians and admired by others for his humorous and pointed drawings on issues of the day. Along with 200 examples of his graphic style and ingenious ideas (Nixon holding the GOP elephant hostage, Carter viewing his own "Fuzzy" TV image, Ollie North turning shredded evidence into lucrative contracts), the artist here engagingly recalls a baseball-and-trolley-car Chicago boyhood followed by his start as a poorly paid cartoonist, a career which ultimately won him nation-wide recognition. Block includes hard-hitting capsule histories of Nixon, Reagan and Bush administration scandals he chronicled. His quietly told press corps anecdotes, such as helping a colleague authenticate a letter from President Truman, his insider bits on the famous and descriptions of correspondence he has received from people he has criticized are all pure delight. Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Library Journal In an era when small-time actors, minor sports figures, and a succession of shady characters distinguished only by appearances on talk shows feel entitled to tell us their life stories, it is refreshing to read the autobiography of a man whose life and work have counted for something. Block, a.k.a. Herblock, has clearly enjoyed every minute of his last 47 years as a syndicated political cartoonist for the Washington Post. "What could be a more enviable or satisfying job," he writes, "than drawing a picture every day and getting in your two cents worth on whatever is going on in the world." And plenty has gone on during his tenure at the Post : the Cold War; McCarthyism (Herblock coined the term in one of his cartoons); the Civil Rights Movement; the Kennedy assassination; the Vietnam War; Watergate; and the Reagan/Bush years. All were fodder for his acerbic pen. Accompanied by over 200 of these cartoons, the text is an easy mixture of anecdotes about famous personalities he has known, together with his political philosophy--a philosophy grounded in respect for human rights and high ethical values. Highly recommended for all collections.- Janice Zlendich, California State Univ. Lib., Fullerton Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc.