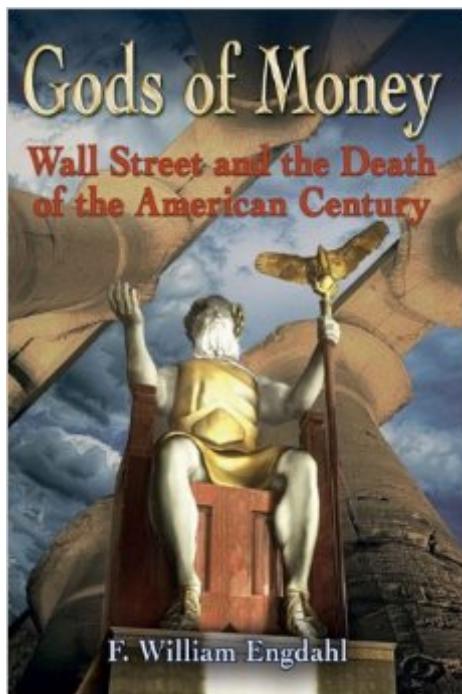


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# Gods Of Money: Wall Street And The Death Of The American Century



## **Synopsis**

This is a book about power and about an extraordinarily wealthy elite that has wielded unprecedented power, not for the good, but rather for the enhancement of their own private position. The book tracks the evolution of the power amassed by a tiny group of men who have regarded themselves, quite literally, as gods -- the Gods of Money. Their agenda has included assassinations of two of America's most popular presidents; involvement of the United States against the public will in two world wars; and detonation of the world's most destructive weapon, the atomic bomb, on Japanese civilians. It has included scores of regional wars, political assassinations, coups, and systematic corruption of the body politic. The book reveals in an unusual and surprising manner how this powerful elite has systematically set out to literally control the entire world, backed by the most powerful military force the world has ever seen.

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This book deserves a much more detailed review that illuminates the author's early connection of Wall Street fraud and Washington neo-conservative lust for looting the world....a bi-partisan (never mind the 63 parties that don't get to play, or the 43% of the US voters who are independent). Liar's Poker by Mark Lewis blew the cover of Wall Street's practice of "exploding the customer" and Griftopia: A Story of Bankers, Politicians, and the Most Audacious Power Grab in American History later followed on John Bogle's The Battle for the Soul of Capitalism and William Greider's The Soul of Capitalism: Opening Paths to a Moral Economy, but William Engdahl is the one who nailed down

the Trilateral Commission and Wall Street cabal focus on looting the world way beyond what John Perkin's discusses in Confessions of an Economic Hit Man. Now the world is noticing.

"Gods of Money" traces the pernicious quest of international bankers to dominate the United States of America and, in turn, contextualizes how they came to exert so much control over countries the world-over in this era of 'free markets'. Its author, F. William Engdahl, explores the power relations that have deepened between key insiders from Wall Street's banks, US industrial corporations and the United States government since the 'American Civil War'. It is a history of an American oligarchy, its secret alliances, and the economic and military warfare, covert acts of terror and propaganda they have manufactured to augment their extreme wealth and outsized power. Through his well-weaved narrative, Engdahl shows how an imperial worldview binds the logic of the American plutocracy to their British counterparts, who play a subordinate role. He argues that the British plutocracy conspired to make war against Germany, in what became World War I, because Germany's industrial strength threatened the waning British Empire. Their American peers saw the opportunity for world domination by financing and supplying the 'Allied Powers'. "Gods of Money" draws on excellent scholarly work to disclose that the Wall Street banking cartel also deliberately financed the Nazis. Furthermore, Engdahl argues that some of America's leading industrial corporations supplied the fascist regime with patents, technologies and materials in order to ultimately gain from the destruction of the Third Reich's war machine. The book's subtitle, "Wall Street and the Death of the American Century", suggests that the oligarchs behind the name 'Wall Street' have over-reached in their imperial quest to expand the American Empire's 'free markets'.

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