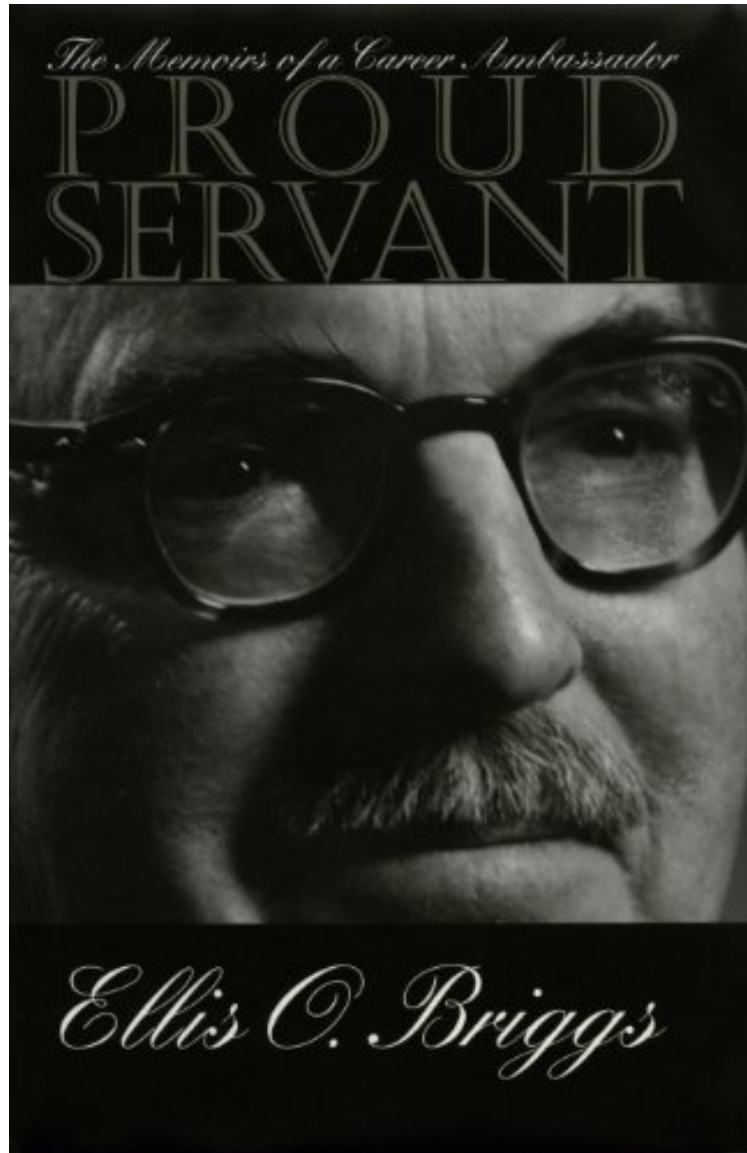


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Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Life as an Ambassador Von Nicole Lloyd This book is brimming with facts that although sometimes aren't necessary, but all in good standards. What I enjoyed most about this book was the road he took in order to become an ambassador. It is one of the more detailed journeys of this type that is written in a book. Some of the parts in this book that deal with his

diplomatic policy are hard to understand, but for the most part i was able to understand somewhat what he was trying to convey. This book did lag in a few parts, it is less entertaining and more informative...it did take me a while to finish reading the book. I would recommend it because it seems to give a true heart felt perspective on what life is like to be a career ambassador.

Kurzbeschreibung Ellis O. Briggs (1899-1976) entered the Foreign Service of the United States in 1925. During the next 37 years he was ambassador to seven countries; the Dominican Republic, Uruguay, Czechoslovakia, Korea, Peru, Brazil, and Greece. An eighth appointment, to Spain, was cancelled when he retired due to illness. He also served in Cuba, Chile, Liberia, and China. His memoirs are an exuberant record of a gifted diplomat. Briggs reached the highest rank attainable in the Foreign Service Career Ambassador and received the Medal of Freedom from President Eisenhower for his service in wartime Korea. He gained a reputation for successfully handling large diplomatic missions and dealing with difficult situations. But his greatest virtue was his honesty, his passion to report things just as he saw them and make policy recommendations regardless of conventional wisdom in Washington. He employed high sense of humor, often to devastating effect, on bureaucrats at home as well as adversaries abroad. His strong views about policy sometimes placed him in conflict with others; fellow Dartmouth graduate Nelson Rockefeller had him fired from the Foreign Service because of disagreements (Briggs soon returned to the Service). A down-to-earth New Englander with an abiding love of the outdoors, Briggs was devoted to his wife and family as well as to his country. Proud Servant is full of insights about the practice of diplomacy in this century and provides a fascinating account of the modern Foreign Service.

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