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America's Strategy in World Politics Nicholas John Spykman, Less than a year after the United States entered the Second World War Nicholas Spykman wrote a book that placed the war effort in the broader context of the 1940s global balance of power In America's Strategy in World Politics Spykman examined world politics from a realist geopolitical perspective The United States he explained was fighting for its very survival as an independent country because the conquests of Germany and Japan raised the specter of our geopolitical encirclement by hostile forces controlling the power centers of Europe the Middle East and East Asia Spykman warned that the United States could not safely retreat to a defensive position in the Western Hemisphere Spykman looked beyond the immediate strategic requirements of the Second World War envisioning a postwar world in which the United States would help shape the global balance of power to meet its security needs Even though Soviet Russia was our wartime ally Spykman recognized that a geopolitically unbalanced Soviet Union could threaten to upset the postwar balance of power and thereby endanger U S security Spykman also foresaw the rise of China in postwar

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Harry H. Woodring Keith D. McFarland, 2021-10-08 The names of most of President Franklin D Roosevelt's cabinet members are well known Anyone familiar with FDR s administration will remember Henry Morgenthau Jr Cordell Hull Harold Ickes Frances Perkins Henry Wallace and James Farley One member of that circle however has remained a virtual unknown Harry H Woodring the recalcitrant Secretary of War who was forced by Roosevelt to resign from the cabinet It is doubtful that the story of any of Roosevelt's cabinet members is more interesting than that of Woodring With the breakdown of world peace in the 1930s the matter of national defense became a major concern and the United States military establishment became increasingly important Woodring's role in Washington during this time was a critical one his dealings with Roosevelt were extensive and on many key issues his influence was considerable Why then his lack of notoriety The simple fact is that until now almost nothing has been written of Woodring's service as Secretary of War He was one of the few individuals closely associated with Roosevelt who did not write an autobiography memoirs or some other personal account of what took place during those years Keith D McFarland is the first scholar to have had access to Woodring's personal papers Drawing from this new material as well as from Woodring's official correspondence and from personal interviews with the members of Woodring's immediate family and dozens of Woodring's associates he provides in this volume the careful study that has long been needed McFarland first traces Woodring s early political career in Kansas As a Democratic Governor from 1931 to 1933 Woodring worked successfully with the Republican dominated legislature to alleviate many of the physical and economic hardships facing residents of the state during the Depression Nevertheless he lost his bid for re election to Alf M Landon When Roosevelt won the presidency that same year he appointed Woodring as Assistant Secretary of War Woodring served the country well on the national level He was influential to expanding the Army Air Corps and in making practical the Army s industrial and military mobilization plans After the death of George Dern in 1936 Roosevelt demonstrated his confidence in Woodring by appointing him Secretary of War The conflict between Woodring and the President arose over the sending of American military supplies and equipment to foreign nations It was Woodring's job as secretary of War to see that the War Department adhered to the neutrality legislation of the 1930s Roosevelt believed that the United States should aid the enemies of Hitler even if such action did not adhere to the spirit of the neutrality legislation Upon the outbreak of war in Europe in 1939 FDR did everything he could to supply Britain and France with American arms and munitions Woodring was

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