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The detention of American citizens is a complex and controversial issue with a long and troubled history. From the early days of the republic, the government has asserted the power to detain its citizens in times of war or national emergency. However, the scope of this power has been the subject of ongoing debate, and the government's use of detention has often been challenged in the courts.

This book provides a comprehensive overview of the history of the detention of American citizens, from the early days of the republic to the present day. It examines the legal, political, and social factors that have shaped the government's power to detain its citizens, and the impact that detention has had on American society.

The book begins by examining the early history of detention in the United States. During the American Revolution, the Continental Army detained British prisoners of war. In the years after the war, the government established a system of prisons to hold criminals and debtors. However, it was not until the Civil War that the government began to detain its own citizens on a large scale.

During the Civil War, the Union Army detained thousands of Confederate soldiers and civilians. The government also established a system of concentration camps to hold Native Americans who were forcibly removed from their land. After the war, the government continued to detain Native Americans on reservations.

In the early 20th century, the government began to detain immigrants and other non-citizens who were suspected of being security risks. During World War I, the government detained thousands of German-Americans and other suspected enemy aliens. After the war, the government continued to detain immigrants who were deemed to be undesirable or dangerous.

During World War II, the government detained over 100,000 Japanese-Americans in concentration camps. The government justified this action by claiming that Japanese-Americans were a security risk. However, there was no evidence to support this claim. The detention of Japanese-Americans was a violation of their civil rights, and it has been widely condemned as one of the darkest chapters in American history.

After World War II, the government continued to detain immigrants and other non-citizens who were suspected of being security risks. In the 1950s

and 1960s, the government detained thousands of communists and other suspected radicals. During the Vietnam War, the government detained thousands of anti-war protesters.

In the years since the Vietnam War, the government has continued to detain immigrants and other non-citizens who are suspected of being security risks. In the wake of the September 11, 2001 attacks, the government established a system of detention camps to hold suspected terrorists. These camps have been criticized for their harsh conditions and lack of due process.

The detention of American citizens is a complex and controversial issue. There are no easy answers to the questions of when and under what circumstances the government can detain its citizens. However, it is important to remember that detention is a serious deprivation of liberty, and that it should only be used as a last resort.

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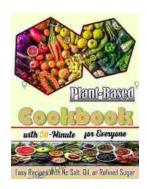


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