

Download Lincoln Steffens; A Biography

Lincoln Steffens wrote on corrupt city and state politics in *The Shame of the Cities* (1904). Brand Whitlock, who wrote *The Turn of the Balance* (1907), a novel opposing capital punishment, was also a reform mayor of Toledo, Ohio. Lincoln Joseph Steffens (April 6, 1866 – August 9, 1936) was an American investigative journalist and one of the leading muckrakers of the Progressive Era in the early 20th century. *The Shame of the Cities* is a book written by American author Lincoln Steffens. Published in 1904, it is a collection of articles which Steffens had written for McClure's Magazine. It reports on the workings of corrupt political machines in several major U.S. cities, along with a few efforts to combat them. Lincoln Steffens. New York Post reporter and managing editor of McClure's Magazine. Steffens wrote a series of articles that exposed corruption in the local governments of Chicago, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Philadelphia and New York City; later collected in the book *The Shame of the Cities* (1904).