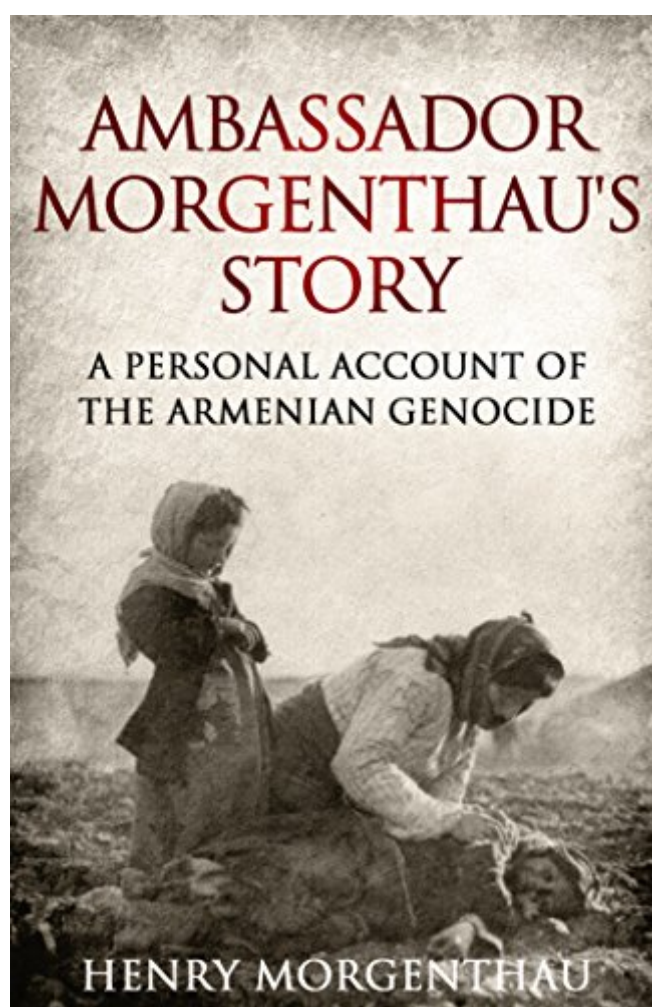


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Ambassador Morgenthau's Story: A Personal Account Of The Armenian Genocide



Synopsis

From 1915 to 1923, the Ottoman Empire ordered the systematic massacre and mass deportation of over 1.5 million its subjects. Ambassador Morgenthau's Story is an insightful, unique and, often, painful first-hand account of the Armenian genocide as seen from his role as American ambassador to the Ottoman Empire. Henry Morgenthau assesses the tense political atmosphere in the strategically important Ottoman Empire at the beginning of WWI and examines Germany's influence on Turkish actions. Morgenthau's position as an American representative to the Ottoman government allowed him a fascinating and disturbing insight into the policies and the lawmakers of the period. His memoir includes account of many high-level meeting with important heads of state, both in Turkey and on a wider international scale. From 1915 onward, Morgenthau attempted to use his power to stop the genocide and on many occasions tried to reason with the Ottoman government. He was constantly ignored and dismissed. Morgenthau brought the Armenians' case to the U.S. government, appealing for intervention but Washington ignored his pleas for help. Frustrated at his powerlessness to stop this mass genocide, Morgenthau renounced his position as U.S. Ambassador and used all his influence to bring attention to the oft-ignored plight of the Armenian people. He raised huge sums of money and awareness, leading to the first publication of this book in 1918. Ambassador Morgenthau's Story is regarded as one of the preeminent sources of information on the Armenian genocide. "The power of Morgenthau's book to move and instruct us eighty years after its publication, intimately connected with its truthfulness about the atrocities and the men behind them, but also about the capacities of humans to commit enormous evil with a light heart." – Roger Smith, historian. Henry Morgenthau, born April 26, 1856 was an American lawyer, businessman and United States ambassador, most famous as the American ambassador to the Ottoman Empire during the First World War. As ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, Morgenthau has come to be identified as the most prominent American to speak about the Armenian Genocide. He wrote this book in 1918 and spent his life campaigning for acknowledgement of the genocide. He died on November 25, 1946.

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I was very disappointed that the version of this book had no drawings or pictures available in the Kindle version. All of the drawings referenced were not visible...a real shame!

Item arrived on time and in excellent condition.

A very interesting background for similar events taking place in the same area today. It left me sad, considering all his efforts and temporary successes- it shows that even with all his efforts not much changed. A lesson, perhaps we need to learn today. The differences between Western & Eastern mentality are huge.

A wonderful and personal chronicle of his period as ambassador of the USA in Turkey, before and during the First World War. A way to understand the Balkans history and the Armenian genocide

The book was exciting and eye opening. It makes so much of what is happening today much clearer by understanding the make up of the character of the leaders of that time in that part of the world. Beautifully written.

It was wonderful to get access to an out of print book like this. I do wish the original photographs were included. But, enjoyed the fabulous tale of this great, great man.

First person account of the Armenian Genocide. Very well written. Has illustrations as well. Makes

one wonder how this event can be denied.

A unique insight into the events surrounding WWI and the Armenian Massacres from the very top levels. While worth reading for that alone, it also provides a unique insight the casual racism that was completely normal at that time, as well as the condescension with which Westerners viewed Turks, as well as some of the views Turks had of the West, (albeit as reported by a Westerner.)

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