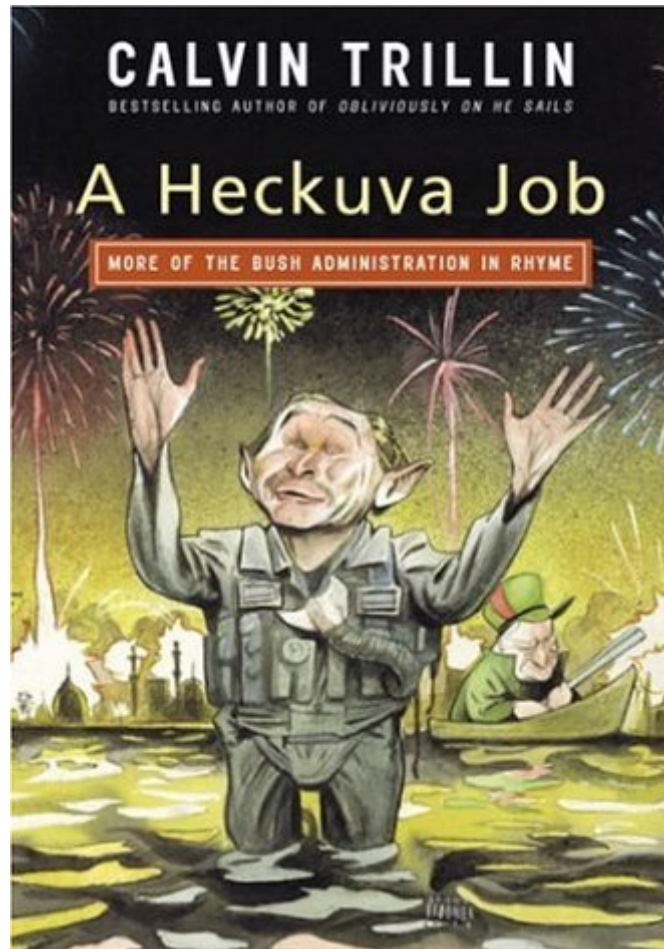


The book was found

A Heckuva Job: More Of The Bush Administration In Rhyme



Synopsis

BONUS: This edition contains an excerpt from Calvin Trillin's *Quite Enough of Calvin Trillin*. Somehow, despite everything Calvin Trillin wrote about the Bush Administration in *Obliviously On He Sails*, his 2004 bestseller in verse, George W. Bush is still in the White House. Taking a philosophical view, Trillin has said, "We weren't going to know whether you could bring down a presidency with iambic pentameter until somebody tried it." • Now Trillin is trying again, back at his pithy and hilarious best to comment on the President's decision to go to war in Iraq ("Then terrorists could count on what we'd do: / Attack us, we'll strike back, though not at you"), his religiosity ("He treats his critics in the press / As if they're yapping Pekineses. / Reporters deal in mundane facts; / This man has got the word from Jesus"), and whether he was wearing a transmitting device in the first presidential debate ("Could this explain his odd expressions? Is there proof he / Was being told, 'If you can hear me now, look goofy?'") Trillin deals with the people around Bush, such as Nanny Dick Cheney and Mushroom Cloud Rice and Orange John Ashcroft and Orange John's successor, Alberto Gonzales ("The A.G. to be one Alberto Gonzales" / Dependable, actually loyal *Ä ber alles*), and whether he was wearing a transmitting device in the first presidential debate ("Could this explain his odd expressions? Is there proof he / Was being told, 'If you can hear me now, look goofy?'") He tries to predict the behavior of the famously intemperate John Bolton as ambassador to the United Nations in poems with titles like "Bolton Chases French Ambassador Up Tree" and "White House Says Bolton Can Do Job Even While in Straitjacket." • Finally, in dealing with whether the entire Bush Administration, like the unfortunate Brownie, has done a heckuva job, he composes a small-government sea chantey for the Republicans: "Cause government's the problem, lads, Americans would all do well to shun it. Yes, government's the problem, lads. At least it is when we're the ones who run it."

Book Information

File Size: 207 KB

Print Length: 132 pages

Publisher: Random House (December 18, 2007)

Publication Date: December 18, 2007

Sold by:Ä Random House LLC

Language: English

ASIN: B000XU4USU

Text-to-Speech: Enabled

X-Ray: Not Enabled

Word Wise: Enabled

Lending: Not Enabled

Enhanced Typesetting: Enabled

Best Sellers Rank: #1,108,932 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #411 in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Humor & Entertainment > Humor > Political #445 in Books > Humor & Entertainment > Humor > Limericks & Humorous Verse #1280 in Books > Humor & Entertainment > Humor > Political

Customer Reviews

In A HECKUVA JOB Calvin Trillin continues his rhymed assessments of the current Bush administration that he began in OBLIVIOUSLY ON HE SAILS. His title is obvious to anyone who owned a radio or television set during the Katrina debacle. For the two Americans who missed Bush's comment, he informed FEMA Chief Michael Brown that he was doing a "heckuva job" as some New Orleans citizens were stranded on housetops as they held signs begging for help while others lay floating in the waters caused by Katrina. All the usual suspects are back; actually most of them never went away although the country did lose Paul Wolfowitz to the World Bank and John Ashcroft and a couple of others resigned as Mr. Bush began the second four years of his reign. Mr. Trillin takes aim at Mushroom Cloud Rice and Five Deferrals Dick-- or if you prefer-- Nanny Dick-- as well as a host of other Bush accomplices. Here are some of Mr Trillin's gems: About Cheney's statements of Iraq's role in 9/11; "If you say it enough, then it's true." About Bush's current abysmal approval rating: "But those pols don't have Jesus on their side." Condoleezza Rice is described as "cold as ice," but "precise with her advice." George Bush may be remembered by historians as "the Great Conflater." And Trillin on Colin Powell: "It's sad to see, as we remember when/Some thought he was the president-elect to be,/How easily is done a Colinectomy." The most devastating "poem" by far has to be "A Short History Of Someone Who Failed To Get Into The Champagne Unit of The Texas Air National Guard In 1958." Historians may not recall My name, now chiseled on that wall.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Rose Bush: Learn How To Grow A Rose Bush From A Bud, Bloom or Beyond (: Rose bush, rose bush growing, rose bush ready to plant, rose bush cover, rose ... seeds, rose bush seeds, rose bush gloves) A Heckuva Job: More of the Bush Administration in Rhyme The Crown Affair (Nursery-Rhyme Mysteries) Words to Rhyme with: A Rhyming Dictionary (Facts on File Writer's Library) Conducting the Programmer Job Interview: The IT Manager Guide with Java, J2EE, C, C++, UNIX, PHP and Oracle interview questions! (IT Job Interview series) My American Job: The

Foreign Worker's Ultimate Guide to Finding a Job and a Visa Sponsor in the United States Creative
Job Superbook #7 Book 2. Sex Industry Job-Business Guide State of War: The Secret History of
the CIA and the Bush Administration The Terror Presidency: Law and Judgment Inside the Bush
Administration Law of Attraction: Unleash The Secret Power Within and Learn How To Manifest
More Money, More Love, More Success, More Abundance In No Time: (Special Bonus: ... Money,
Success, Happiness & Love,) Hollywood Babylon Strikes Again!: More Exhibitions! More Sex! More
Sin! More Scandals Unfit to Print (Blood Moon's Babylon) Essential System Administration: Tools
and Techniques for Linux and Unix Administration Solaris 10 System Administration Essentials
(Oracle Solaris System Administration Series) Essential System Administration: Tools and
Techniques for Linux and Unix Administration, 3rd Edition Public Administration: An Action
Orientation, (with CourseReader 0-30: Public Administration Printed Access Card) Is Your Job
Making You Fat?: How to Lose the Office 15 . . . and More! No. 1 Price Guide to M.I.Hummel
Figurines, Plates, Miniatures, & More (Mi Hummel Figurines, Plates, Miniatures & More 10th Ed. (Mi
Hummel Figurines, ... to M. I. Hummel Figurines, Plates, More...) Gullah Home Cooking the
Daufuskie Way: Smokin' Joe Butter Beans, Ol' 'Fuskie Fried Crab Rice, Sticky-Bush Blackberry
Dumpling, and Other Sea Island Favorites Rabbit Hawker's Dogs: Dogs for the Bush (The
Falconer's Apprentice Series Book 4) The Last Bush Pilots

[Dmca](#)