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C. David Gross : A Justice for All the People: Louis D. Brandeis (Jewish Biography) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Justice for All the People: Louis D. Brandeis (Jewish Biography):

A biography of the lawyer, judge, popularizer of Zionist causes, and first Jew to serve on the Supreme Court, who helped end child labor in America, introduced the concepts of social security, minimum wage laws, and unemployment compensation, and, in short, devoted his life to social justice.

From School Library JournalGrade 5-8 Gross relates the details of Brandeis' life, showing early influences on his later commitment to Judaism and the creation of a Jewish state. That he was a brilliant attorney, a powerful political force, and a liberal justice with a strong conviction that the constitution and laws are to serve the good of the people is clearly shown. Through the details of his involvement with Zionism, Gross gives a good picture of the history of the movement. He includes accolades that people heaped upon Brandeis, yet he also discloses Brandeis' secret financial arrangement with Felix Frankfurter to pursue his liberal goals. Each chapter begins with a quote from Brandeis, which is a nice touch. A few black-and-white photographs are scattered throughout. While the writing is often marred by oversimplification, this book will meet curriculum needs. Micki S. Nevett, Temple Beth Emeth Library, Albany,

