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the conduct and outcome of the Nuremberg Trials from the defendant's point of view is undoubtedly biased, but is extremely enlightening to say the least, and should certainly be food for thought for international policy makers of the future. This book is considered to be excellent reference material for matters which pertain to German naval strategy and doctrine from World War I through World War II.

GOUBB, John Bagot. *Britain and the Arabs.* London, Hodder & Stoughton, 1959. 496 p.

This honest evaluation of the relationships existing between the British and Arabian countries over the time period 1908-1958 was written by Lieutenant General Sir John Bagot Glubb. The history of the Arabian corridor is briefly covered, and the author digresses to a discussion of the strategic value of the area. The meat of the book is a straightforward look at British policy during the period in question. Sir John admits to a policy of vacillation, lack of vision and the absence of a clear-cut objective, but points out that these omissions are not the sins of "unscrupulous imperialism." The author's intention is obviously to dispose of the charges that such vacillations and lack of objectiveness were carefully planned deceptions to exploit the Arab people and/or their resources, and to show that, in fact, they were merely the shortcomings of a popular democracy. The writer has lived in and served the area for some thirty-six years of the fifty under consideration, and has developed a deep affection and understanding of the peoples of the Arab nations. This keen insight does much to bury forever the propaganda that British policy has been deliberate domination.

Veale, Frederick J. P. *War Crimes Discreetly Veiled.* New York, Devin-Adair, 1959. 237 p.

This is a sensationalist, expose'-style British writing in which the "truth" is published for the first time on seven incidents of World War II. Stemming primarily from the political need