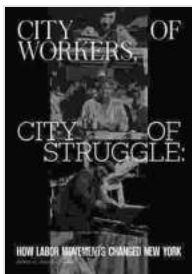


How Labor Movements Changed New York

In the 19th and early 20th centuries, New York City was a hotbed of labor activism. Workers from all over the world flocked to the city in search of opportunity, and they often found themselves exploited by employers. In response, they organized labor unions to fight for better wages, working conditions, and benefits.



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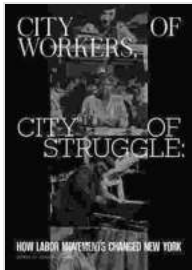
The Labor Movement Today

Today, New York City is a major center of labor activism. The city's labor unions continue to fight for the rights of workers. They have won a number of important victories in recent years, including the passage of a \$15 minimum wage, the expansion of paid sick leave, and the creation of a new paid family leave program.

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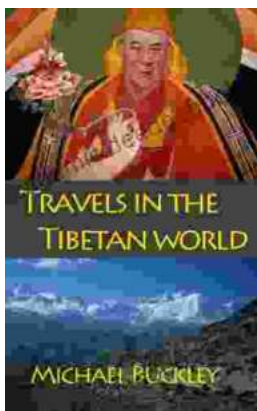
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