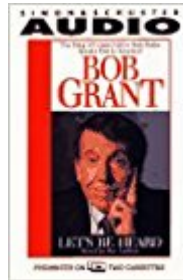




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Synopsis

The controversial, conservative radio talk-show host shares his candid opinions on such topics as race, abortion, women's rights, welfare and healthcare reform, religion, and other current issues.

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Customer Reviews

The danger of using labels in politics is thrown into relief in this collection of 50-plus essays delivered on radio by talk-show host Grant, who labels himself a conservative. Although he espouses the right-wing positions on big government (bad), taxes (bad), immigration (bad), career welfare clients (bad), the death penalty (good) and affirmative action (bad), he deviates from it by backing abortion rights and euthanasia and opposing term limits on officeholders. On a few issues his positions are more complex: while he backs gun ownership, he supports gun control, and on the subject of racism he avows that he is no more prejudiced than most American whites. He offers several lists, one of black heroes (e.g., Clarence Thomas), one of American heroines (e.g., Phyllis Schlafly) and one of conservatives he dislikes (e.g., Oliver North). A page titled "Ten Liberals Worth Keeping Around" is left otherwise blank. The book is likely to arouse as much controversy as Grant does on the air. Copyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

Before Rush Limbaugh, there was Bob Grant, king of talk radio in New York. At this writing, Grant's show has been flushed from the airwaves after derogatory comments about late Commerce Department head Ron Brown set off a major media brouhaha. The various offensive remarks that

have been attributed to Grant notwithstanding, he comes off quite personably on the page--especially in contrast to Rush. While Rush hunkers down in his apartment, Grant goes to places real people go, like the Reo Diner in New Jersey. Whereas Rush often sounds like a Republican Party flack, Grant, though he says vote GOP, is genuinely skeptical of politicians, whom he says (from experience) will be your friends only until you're no longer an "asset." Grant gets steamed by the same things Limbaugh harps on but reads like your loudmouth uncle, the one you don't agree with but know you can count on in a pinch. More libertarian than conservative, far more commonsensical than ideological, and the kind of free speech devotee who realizes that if you hate political correctness, you have to tolerate pornography and Howard Stern, Grant is fun to read, whatever he's like on the air. Ray Olson --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

Great gift

It is admirable that this Originator did not fall into the compromising merchandising mode of his proteges, like Limbaugh, Hannity, O'Reilly, Beck, et.al. For those who listened 5 days per week to Grant in New York, this is quite a nostalgic ride. Unfortunately, that trip back to the '80s-'90s, involves some serious bumps in the road: Grant's dreadful commentary on Martin Luther King, Jesse Jackson, and other African-American leaders. His constant use of the phrase "protective pigmentation" when referring to racial issues, which he feels are spun to the far Left. Of course, the Ron Brown situation, in which he (basically) said "Just my luck..he'll survive [the plane crash]. He tries to smooth that over in this book. Grant is also off balance on the issues of Affirmative Action and Welfare: A.A. was never conceived to allow and encourage "quotas" - that, ironically, came around 1971, with the Nixon Administration. Re. Welfare: "Slick Willie" *did* enforce Reform, wiping away that generational guarantee; no longer allowing able-bodied individuals to sit around the house; establishing limits. Bob shows a lack of insight when he says that Professional Basketball is the true level playing field. But that cultural area is grounded in almost super-human athletic ability. A poor example. Grant includes a nice commentary of Rush Limbaugh, who, in 1995-96 was the biggest star in infotainment. RL may have preserved his high ratings in the millennium but his content and narratives got more and more petty and partisan. Having said all that, this book has enormous historical value - read it before you read *any* book by Hannity and friends.

This book is a must read for those who want to learn the history of the King of Conservative Talk Radio. I think I heard him a few times. But I only learned who he was almost after Grant was off the

air. Bob Grant was conservative talk radio from 1970-2006. Grant was the pathfinder for Rush Limbaugh.

I highly recommend "Let's Be Heard" to anyone anxious about the direction our country is taking, the underlying reasons we are a nation in decline, and solutions we must adopt if we are to reverse our downward spiral. Mr. Grant writes the way he speaks - honestly, directly and with an historical perspective. His many chapters touch on the most critical issues facing the U.S. today, including sadly, how we are moving from "one nation under God" to becoming a fractious collection of ethnic nation states and special interest groups. Mr. Grant decries the tyranny of Political Correctness, confiscatory tax policies, quotas, unchecked immigration and a lack of personal responsibility. He quite rightly identifies these issues as terrible threats to the future of our once great Republic. Bob Grant is absolutely unafraid to call a fraud a fraud. He logically and forcefully pokes holes in the false premises & myths of the liberal elite and their willing accomplices in the media. If you are a Conservative or have a Libertarian streak, I urge you to read it -- you will find yourself nodding in agreement with every page you turn. If you are a Liberal, I challenge you to read this book, because if you can stand the withering light of truth -- "Let's Be Heard" may change your life.

Bob Grant's only talent is rudeness and ad hominem attacks. That comes through in the book as glaringly as it does over the air. Whining and griping, Grant jumps from one subject to the next without offering any intelligent solutions to the issues presented. No wonder mature conservatives are embarrassed by Grant. Grant hurts himself in his book. He sketches an unflattering self-portrait of an effeminate aristocrat who never really worked in his life, toughed out military service, or cared about genuine abuses endured by minorities. We see a hypocrite whose heart never "went out" to the victims' families in the O.J. Simpson case. Grant's boring book reveals the narcissism of a fake "conservative" whose heart is centered on himself -- a kid who belongs in junior high school, not on radio. Browse through Bob's scribbling in your library (if they have it), but don't waste a penny on a book whose title should be "Let ME Be Heard."

"Let's Be Heard" should not be missed! This collection of essays should be required reading for every high school senior in America (it's too important to wait for college). LBH is an insightful, clearly written treatise on everything from the proper role of government in the lives of a free people, to taxation, immigration, and personal responsibility. Bob Grant is not afraid to expose the muddled thought of 'Limousine Liberals' and the inherent dishonesty of the leftist elite. With absolute candor

and logic, Mr. Grant advances common-sense solutions to the most critical issues facing our nation.

I was truly surprised to find only one review condemning the book, it's obvious that the person who wrote the review didn't read the book. It is truly a book of a true American hero and a conservative with common sense. Bob is not a racist, but he is speaking his mind and is not afraid of reviews like the one you put out. Bob is a genius who knows more of American history than any other media figure in the politically correct society. Bob truly loves his country and hates seeing it going down the drain, as we all must admit it is. And for the review that you have posted I can only tell "it's sick out there and getting sicker"

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