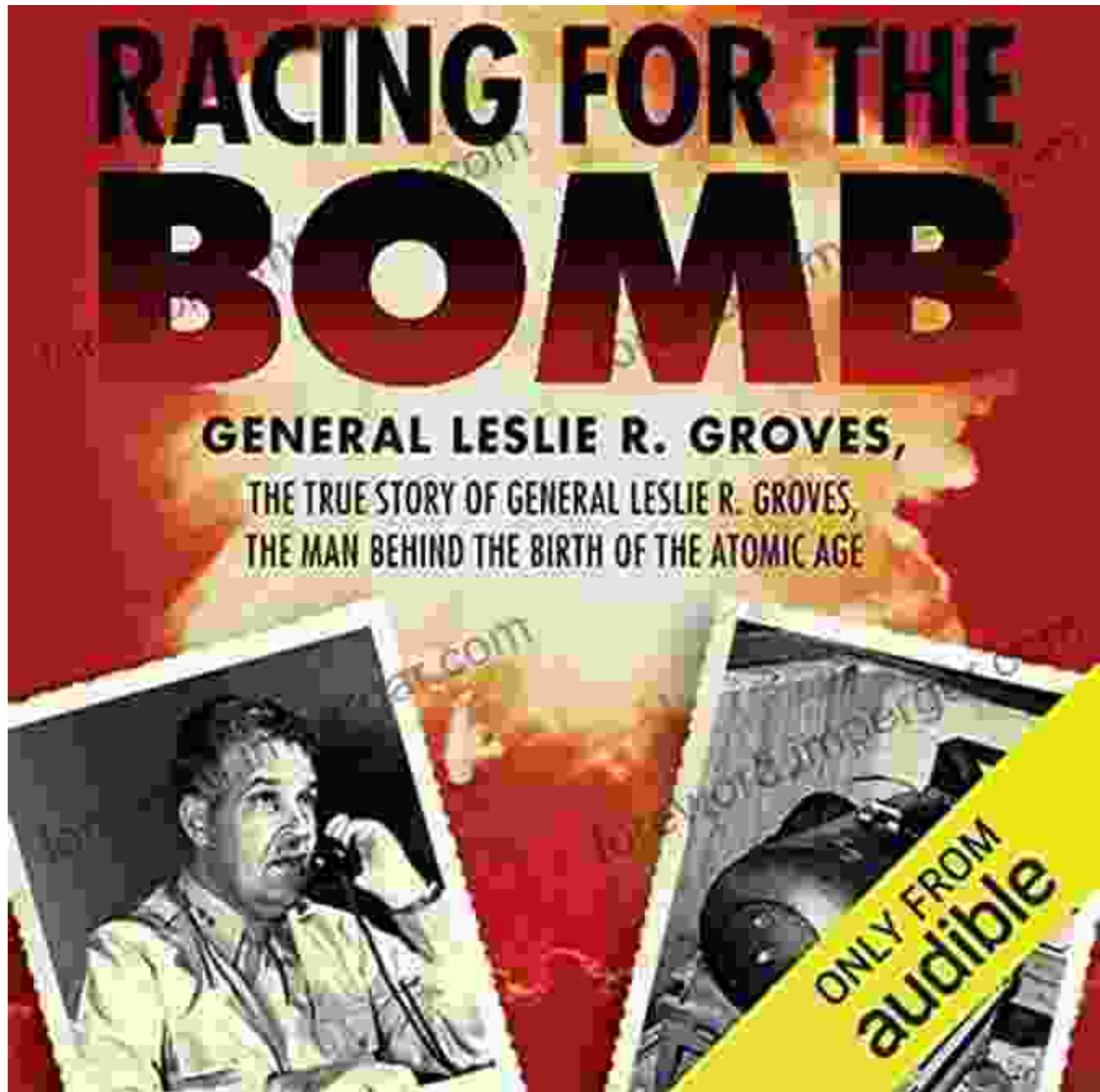


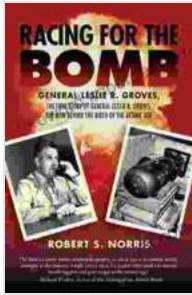
# The Man Behind the Bomb: The True Story of General Leslie Groves



**Racing for the Bomb: The True Story of General Leslie R. Groves, the Man behind the Birth of the Atomic Age**

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General Leslie Groves was the man behind the Manhattan Project, the top-secret effort to develop the atomic bomb. This book tells the true story of Groves' life and career, from his early days as a military engineer to his role as the head of the Manhattan Project.

Groves was a brilliant and ambitious engineer. He graduated from West Point in 1918 and served in the Army Corps of Engineers for several years. In 1942, he was assigned to the Manhattan Project, and he quickly became the project's director. Under Groves' leadership, the Manhattan Project developed the atomic bomb in just two years.

The atomic bomb was used to end World War II, but it also had a profound impact on the world. The bomb ushered in the nuclear age, and it has been a source of both hope and fear ever since. Groves' role in the development of the atomic bomb is controversial, but there is no doubt that he was a key figure in one of the most important events in human history.

## Early Life and Career

Leslie Richard Groves Jr. was born in Albany, New York, on August 17, 1896. His father was a lawyer, and his mother was a homemaker. Groves

was a bright and ambitious child, and he excelled in school. He attended the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, and graduated in 1918. After graduation, Groves served in the Army Corps of Engineers for several years.

In 1942, Groves was assigned to the Manhattan Project. The Manhattan Project was a top-secret effort to develop the atomic bomb. Groves was appointed as the project's director, and he was responsible for overseeing the project's development and production.

## **The Manhattan Project**

The Manhattan Project was one of the most ambitious and complex scientific projects in history. Groves was responsible for overseeing the project's development and production. He had to coordinate the efforts of thousands of scientists and engineers, and he had to ensure that the project was completed on time and within budget.

Groves was a demanding and driven leader. He was often harsh and critical of his subordinates, but he was also fair and honest. He was determined to complete the Manhattan Project on time and within budget, and he pushed his team to the limit.

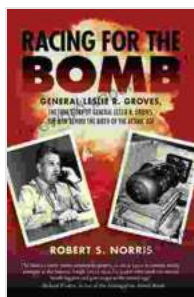
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## **Legacy**

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