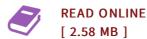




A Short History of Nuclear Folly: Mad Scientists, Dithering Nazis, Lost Nukes, and Catastrophic Cover-Ups

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Melville House Publishing, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Translation. 206 x 140 mm. Language: English. Brand New Book. In the spirit of Dr. Strangelove and The Atomic Cafe, a blackly sardonic people s history of atomic blunders and near-misses revealing the hushed-up and forgotten episodes in which the great powers gambled with catastrophe Rudolph Herzog, the acclaimed author of Dead Funny, presents a devastating account of history s most irresponsible uses of nuclear technology. From the rarelydiscussed nightmare of Broken Arrows (40 nuclear weapons lost during the Cold War) to Operation Plowshare (a proposal to use nuclear bombs for large engineering projects, such as a the construction of a second Panama Canal using 300 H-Bombs), Herzog focuses in on long-forgotten nuclear projects that nearly led to disaster. In an unprecedented people s history, Herzog digs deep into archives, interviews nuclear scientists, and collects dozens of rare photos. He explores the accidental drop of a Nagasaki-type bomb on a train conductor s home, the implanting of plutonium into patients hearts, and the invention of wild tactical nukes, including weapons designed to kill enemy astronauts. Told in a riveting narrative voice, Herzog--the son of filmmaker Werner Herzog--also draws on...



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