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memoir in two parts on the theme of poverty in the two cities The first part is an account of living in near destitution in Paris and the experience of casual labour in restaurant kitchens The second part is a travelogue of life on the road in and around London from the tramp s perspective, with descriptions of the types of hostel accommodation available and some of the characters to be found living on the margins 2006 1362 318 20 1385 269 964667190 1389 9789642763474 1394 286 97860052055581933 1928 1927. #FREE ? Down and Out in Paris and London à Be Paras Z Kalmaktan O Kadar Ok Bahsetmi Tiniz Ki Eh, I Te Be Paras Z Kald N Z Ve H L Ayaktas N Z Paris Ve Londra Da Be Paras Z, Y Zy L N En B Y K Romanc Lar Ndan George Orwell In, Avrupa N N Iki B Y K Ehrinde, Paris Ve Londra Da Ya Ad Sefaleti Olanca Ger Ekli Iyle Anlatt , Son Derece Nemli Bir Eser Bir G N Paris In Orta Yerinde Meteliksiz Kalan Gen Yazar, Yoksulluk Ve A L Kla M Cadele Etmeye Ba Lar Rehineciler, I Bulma Kurumlar , Umut Tacirleri, Kar N Toklu Una G Nde On Yedi Saat Al Lan Karanl K Otel Mutfaklar Aras Nda S R P Giden Paris Maceras , Yazar N G De Olsa Kendini Londra Ya Atmos Yla Sona Erer Ama Londra Da Onu Ok Daha A R Artlar Beklemektedir Orwell, Modern Insan N Srarla G Rmezden Geldi I Bir D Nyan N Kap S N Aral Yor Sizlik, Evsizlik, A L Kla Damgalanan Bu D Nyan N Insanlar Izbe Pansiyonlarda, Berdu Bar Naklar Nda Ya Yor, Hayata Bir Ucundan Tutunmaya Al Yorlar Paris Ve Londra Da Be Paras Z, K Leli In Hi Bir Zaman, Modern Zamanlarda Bile Ortadan Kalkmad N , Sadece G R N M De I Tirdi Ini Anlat Yor this book isn t going to cause anyone to have the huge revelation that poverty is hard or anything, because duh but it also doesn t piss me off the way morgan spurlock pisses me off, because orwell makes his story come alive and there is so much local color, so many individual life stories in here that this book, despite being horribly depressing, is also full of the resourcefulness of man and the resilience of people that have been left by the wayside it is triumphant, not manipulative. i liked the part when he was down and out in paris better than the part he was down and out in england even though he had a handy exit strategy in england, in the form of someone who was willing to lend him money when he was truly and completely broke, and even though he only had to live the tramp s life for a month in england before his job started, the english parts were just so much dismal, so horrifyingly bleak in paris, poverty is almost a lark the accommodations are better, the homeless are allowed to congregate beneath bridges and these is almost a romantic tinge to being penniless. england is just grim flat out grim big ups to orwell for his details the smells and the disease and the horror of unwashed men being forced into cramped quarters are unfortunately very well rendered and can be quite sickening at times and the conditions of fine parisian restaurants at the time shudder don t read this while you are eating. but this book will make you want to eat, truly the days without food, the dizziness, the suffering i ate like a hog on sunday, and felt very guilty for doing so while reading this, but it left such a hollow in me, i had to fill it somehow and yes, this book was somewhat fabricated, and is like thoreau in the wilderness, but that doesn t make orwell s observations any less legitimate or powerful thank you for writing such a fine book,

George Orwell comes to my blog. Orwell demonstrates his social conscience and empathy for the poor, which I think, makes his famous attacks on totalitarianism credible. This is also an interesting novel to read for a glimpse into Paris and London of that time, between 1900 and 1930. Orwell worked in some restaurants and his view from the kitchen is far less romantic than Hemingway's perspective from the table. Not really a classic or a masterpiece, but a book that should be read.

*Ve Londra da Be Paras z* written by George Orwell. It's a biography of his own life and personal experiences. After George Orwell's cancellation as officer of the British colonial power, he flew to Paris to work as an English teacher, because he aspired a job as a committed writer. Unfortunately his job as an English teacher and writer didn't work out and consequently he worked as a day labourer, harvester and dishwasher in a luxury restaurant *Paris Ve Londra da Be Paras z*. It isn't about political emphasises and has principally an anecdotic character. However this biography shows and emphasises clearly the former living environment of the entirely poverty stricken lower classes. It's questionable if the business of those big hotels is still the same after 70 years, as Orwell describes. But yet this biography is very enriching and motivates the reader to think about this personal story. Do not read this book while eating. I've been told that this book is semi autobiographical. If so, George Orwell had an even interesting life than I'd imagined. This book was disturbing, insightful and also funny. Great, great characters, some just plain weird. The first half of the book depicts the main character's experiences living in poverty in Paris. Some of the descriptions about the living and working conditions are quite gruesome. All those bugs Orwell sheds light on what it must feel like to be poor, the ennui etc. I don't think I'll be able to eat at a Parisian restaurant anytime soon because now I'm a little paranoid about the cooking conditions. The second half of the book finds the protagonist back in London and we learn about what it means to be a tramp. Equally as disgusting descriptions as those in the Paris section, especially the part where several tramps had to use the same bucket of dirty water for cleaning themselves up, yuck. Orwell definitely puts a human face on the tramps. He explains how tramping is a huge social problem and then suggests how this problem can be remedied. As I live in Vancouver, the Canadian city with the highest number of homeless people, I agree with his explanations and thoughts. My only gripe was with this particular edition of the book. Way too many typos, both in English and in French. Also, they censored out some of the swear words, bizarre. Fantastic book. Orwell rarely disappoints me with his wit and insight. Orwell's take on destitution was every bit as good as I expected it to be. Beautifully phrased, meticulous, honest, funny, but also moving, and along with his own vivid experiences of living a hand to mouth existence he blends the testimonies of other refugees and homeless people in Paris and London. This book might not have even come about had it not been for a thief who pinched the last of an ailing Orwell's savings from his Paris boarding room in 1929, thus leading him to search for dishwashing work in the kitchens of the French capital. Yes Paris was indeed a tough place to find shelter between the wars and even though

Orwell eventually found a job at the anonymous Hotel X, a place where dirty roast chickens were served, and chefs spat in soup, he remained without pay for ten days and so was forced to sleep on a bench until he had enough to cover rent. Throughout the book, when he did manage to find somewhere to stay, some of the beds even had blocks of wood for pillows. The Paris slums are a gathering place for eccentric people, people who have fallen into solitary, half mad grooves of life and given up trying to be normal or decent. Poverty frees them from ordinary standards of behaviour, just as money frees people from work, he wrote then, although his sympathies were firmly with his fellow beggars. The book both illuminates the huge change between 1933 and now and exposes horrifying similarities. As Orwell reveals the cruelty of a lack of workers rights, where livelihoods are lost overnight or jobs not secure from one day to the next day, a modern audience cannot help but hear the words zero hours contracts. Job insecurity is still a major driver of homelessness nearly 90 years later. When in London Orwell describes the police arresting rough sleepers or moving them on, he foreshadows recent events such as the cleansing of the streets of Windsor before the royal wedding, and fines presented to beggars in Coventry. As he describes the stories in the Sunday papers about beggars with two thousand pounds sewn into their trousers we can hear the headlines from this very year in a national newspaper proclaiming fake homeless are earning 150 a day. Orwell's books, however, are than just treatises aiming to right the political wrongs. Aside from his political intentions, much of Orwell's appeal has always rested in his brilliance as a writer, his ability to distil vast ideas or injustices into the most perfect phrases, his descriptive passages artfully conjuring the slum backstreets of 1930s Paris, and his sense of the preciousness of humanity, bringing clarity and colour to people's lives through all the filth, dirt, and smelly bodies. Orwell writes here and there with small moments of beauty, that at first don't feel immediately apparent. And when he writes of the people he meets in *Down and Out* are just ordinary human beings, he is stating a simple and obvious fact but one that, even today, is still too often forgotten. Of the two cities, I found the London half of the book the interesting as I don't know a great deal about the English capital whereas Paris, through my own knowledge and that provided by countless other writers nothing surprised me. Although it had its funny moments, the seriousness of poverty really makes you sit up and take notice. This is just of an important read now as it was back then. As anyone who has read *1984* can attest, Orwell is among other things a master of disgust, a writer who can describe a squalid apartment building, an aging painted whore or a drunken old man with just the right details to make the reader's nose twitch with displeasure, his stomach rise into the throat with revulsion. What makes this book so good is that although he may continually evoke this reaction in his account of the working and the wandering poor, Orwell never demeans or dismisses the human beings who live in this repulsive environment. The people he describes may be disgusting, but they are often resourceful too, and Orwell makes it clear that it is the economic system itself not the character flaws of particular individuals caught

up in the system which is to blame for so much squalor and suffering I would recommend this book to anyone who wishes to read a vivid description of the conditions of those who live beneath the underbelly of society and the stratagems they use to survive, whether they be recently impoverished men endeavoring to maintain respectability, Paris dishwashers sweating through their underground existence, or British tramps enduring the daily bone wearying trek for a cheap place to lay their heads.

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It is a feeling of relief, almost of pleasure, at knowing yourself at last genuinely down and out. You have talked so often of going to the dogs and well, here are the dogs, and you have reached them, and you can stand it. It takes off a lot of anxiety. In 1927 Eric Arthur Blair A.K.A. George Orwell gives up his job as a policeman in Burma and moves back to his lodgings on Portobello Road in London with the intention of being a writer. Like with many artists, writers, and those that wished to be one or the other, the siren song of Paris beckoned Orwell. In 1928 he moves to The City of Light. It was lamplight that strange purplish gleam of the Paris lamps and beyond the river the Eiffel Tower flashed from top to bottom with zigzag skysigns, like enormous snakes of fire. His lodgings are robbed by an Italian man a trollop he has brought back to his room for what can be presumed for a carnal dalliance, but one must have a proper story for the parents especially when one is soliciting funds. This is really the beginning of a rather abrupt slide into poverty. Little did he know this change of circumstances was going to provide him with the material he needed to get published. A gagger beggar or street performer of any kind. I do hope that everyone has had an opportunity to experience some poverty. When I was in college I had several moments where my gas tank was on E, that amber dot nearly burned a hole in my retina, and well food, skipping a few meals builds character. The one thing that I learned about my brief bouts of impecuniousness was that I didn't like it. The anxiety of potentially revealing the precarious nature of my affairs was much excruciating than the discomfort of hunger or even the tension inspired by the keenly tuned ear listening intently for the first cough of an engine starved for gas. The mind does sharpen when deprived of nutrients. A moocher one who begs outright, without pretense of doing a trade. A slice of Orwell's Paris. Orwell does become truly down and out barely scraping together enough money to maintain lodging. Everything pawnable or salable is already in the shops and now he must find a job. He tramps for miles all over the city following rumors of employment. He finally lands a position at a hotel restaurant washing dishes. It isn't particularly difficult work, but the hours are unbelievably long. Since he is on the lowest rung of the very tall totem pole he is roundly cursed by everyone. Do you see that? That is the type of plongeur they send us nowadays. Where do you come from, idiot? From Charenton I suppose. There is a large lunatic asylum at Charenton. From England, I said I might have known it. Well, mon cher monsieur, L'Anglais, may I inform you that you are the son of a whore. I got this kind of reception every time I went to the kitchen, for I always made some mistake. I was expected to know the work, and was cursed accordingly. From curiosity I counted the number of times I was called maquereau during the day, and it was thirty nine. A glimmer one who watches vacant motor cars. Down and Out in Paris. There is a camaraderie that comes from working long hours, from getting up with aching muscles, and a wool stuffed head from too little sleep. While in college I worked for a used bookstore that was the size of a grocery store. We were always understaffed, sometimes ridiculously understaffed. We needed three cashiers and generally had two. We needed three book buyers and generally had one. It wasn't infrequent for

people to work double shifts, not for the money, but because we couldn't stand to think of our comrades left facing impossible odds. What was crazy is after we closed the store we would sit out in the parking lot, or when we could afford it go get a drink, and talk about books or about the craziness that happened during our shift until the wee hours of the morning. We were as bonded as soldiers in the trench because we were survivors. We didn't bother to learn much about newbies until they had been there a month because chances were they would last a week or less. We were working for 4 an hour. A drop money given to a beggar. The endless stream of dirty dishes is truly an Orwellian nightmare. While working in this fine restaurant Orwell did reveal some things that made me queasy. When a steak, for instance, is brought up for the head cook's inspection, he does not handle it with a fork. He picks it up in his fingers and slaps it down, runs his thumb around the dish and licks it to taste the gravy, runs it round and licks again, then steps back and contemplates the piece of meal like an artist judging a picture, then presses it lovingly into place with his fat, pink fingers, every one of which he has licked a hundred times that morning. But the place of course is kept spic and span, right. Everywhere in the service quarters dirt festered a secret vein of dirt, running through the garish hotel like the intestines through a man's body. You may reassure yourself that restaurants are much better regulated now than they were in Paris in the 1920s and they are, but chat with a few people who work in the industry and it may not be as easy to reassure yourself. A flattie a policeman. I always marvel at people that make a complete ass out of themselves berating a waiter in a restaurant. The distance that food must be carried from the cook to the table there is so much time for a waiter to enact some form of petty, but very satisfying revenge on some disrespectful jerk. To knock off to steal. Waiters in good hotels do not wear moustaches, and to show their superiority they decree that plongeurs shall not wear them either and the cooks wear the moustaches to show their contempt for the waiters. Thus Orwell had to shave his moustaches. Henry Miller was in Paris about the same time as Orwell. Miller wrote his books without worrying about what mommy and daddy might think. Orwell certainly put his remembrances through a strainer and certainly this book does not have the gritty intensity of a Miller novel. The descriptions of his time in the Paris restaurants are superbly drawn. They were certainly my favorite parts of the book. When he gets back to London he spends time tramping through the various charity houses and reveals the absurdity of the way they are run. He also makes a compelling case for changing the public view of who a tramp really is. A quick, enjoyable read, that for me, brought back some surprisingly fond memories of when I REALLY worked for living and yet, still walked the razor edge of weekly impoverishment. 3.75 stars out of 5.

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