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**LOWENSTEIN: Acts of Courage and
Belief**

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Lowenstein; foreword by Arthur Schle-
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It has been said that Allard K. Lowenstein, the liberal advocate of social justice and political reform who was assassinated by Dennis Sweeney in 1980, "brought more young people into American politics than any other individual of our times," and this composite of Lowenstein's golden moments will show readers why. The 24 addresses and essays by Lowenstein and 21 articles by such diverse figures as David Halberstam, William F. Buckley and Flora Lewis show him to be a sharply focused, energetic and committed man, capable of inspiring students and others dissatisfied with the present. What this book doesn't tell is anything personal about Lowenstein; there are no new insights offered into his character, nor are there any hypotheses about why he was specially able to inspire

political activism. As such the book (which is edited by a former research assistant and Lowenstein's nephew) reads as a hagiography. Photos not seen by PW. [May]