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Lance Banning was one of the most distinguished historians of his generation. His first book, *The Jeffersonian Persuasion: Evolution of a Party Ideology*, was a groundbreaking study of the ideas and principles that influenced political conflict in the early American Republic. His revisionist masterpiece, *The Sacred Fire of Liberty: James Madison and the Founding of the Federal Republic*, received the Merle Curti Award in Intellectual History from the Organization of American Historians and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize. Banning was assembling this collection of his best and most repres
