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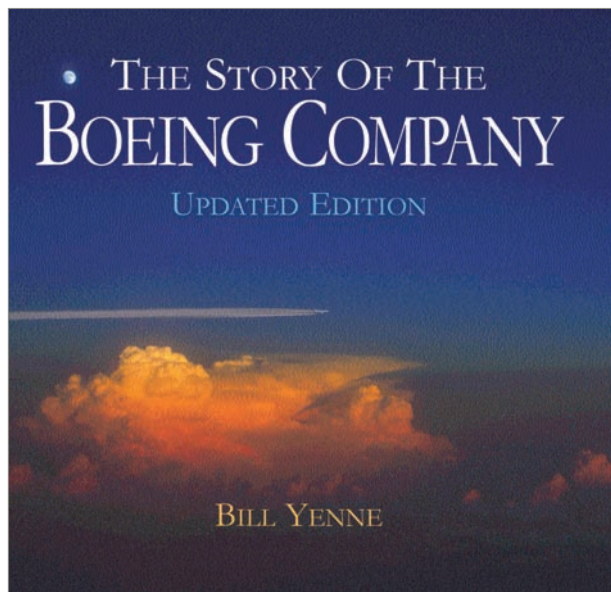
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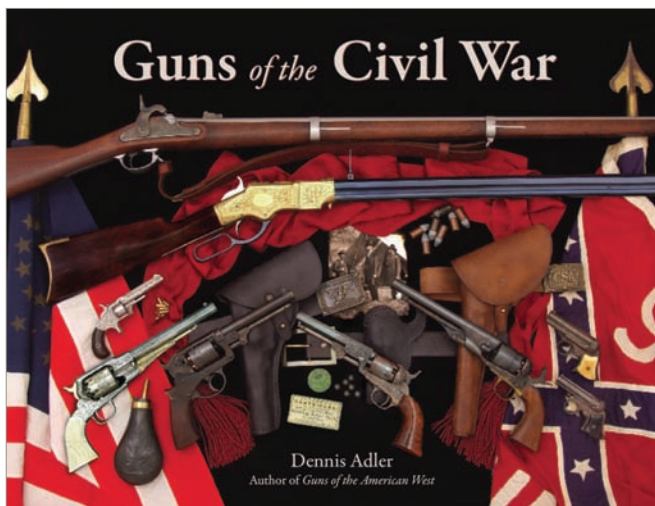
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Award-winning author, photographer, and historian Dennis Adler (Imler, PA) is recognized as one of America's most published authors and historians. He has been seen on *Good Morning America*, *The Today Show*, and *CBS Sunday Morning*. The author of thirty-six books on historic firearms and collectible automobiles, as well as a former magazine editor, Adler has had more than five thousand articles and photographs published during his 35-year career.



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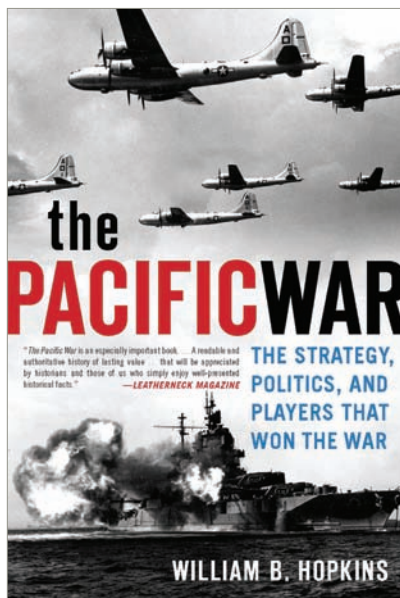
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William B. Hopkins was a Marine officer in the Pacific in World War II, practiced law in Roanoke, Virginia, and then reentered active service as a Marine captain during the Korean War, where he commanded H&S Co, 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment, 1st Marine Division. He fought at Chosin and wrote *One Bugle No Drums*. Hopkins served in the Virginia Senate for twenty years, four years as majority leader. Still an active member of the Virginia Bar, Hopkins lives in Roanoke.



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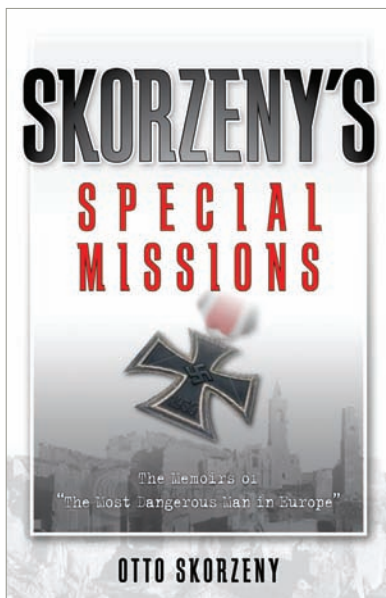
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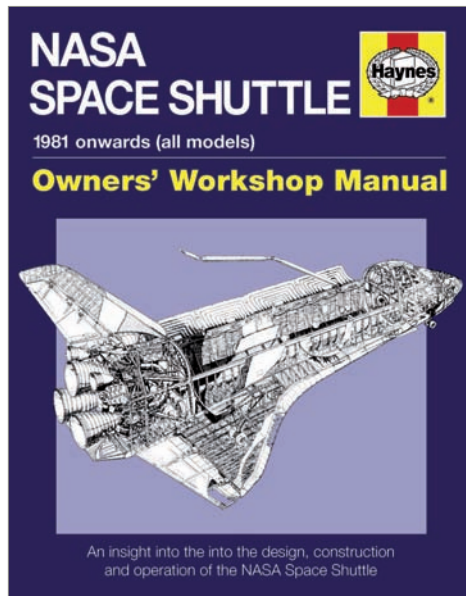
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David Baker joined the U.S. space program during the *Apollo* years and later worked on the development of NASA's Shuttle. He has written widely on the spaceflight technology and is editor of *Aviation News*.



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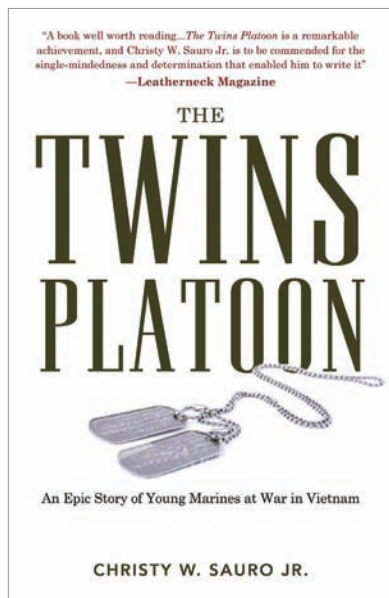


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Former Marine Corps Sergeant Christy W. Sauro Jr. was a member of the Twins Platoon. After he returned from Vietnam, Sauro had a successful career in the insurance business. His writing has been published in magazines such as *Leatherneck* and *Reader's Digest*. He lives near Minneapolis with his wife and children. *The Twin's Platoon* is his first book.

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In the evening of June 28, 1967, 150 young Americans were sworn into the Marine Corps as part of the pregame ceremonies of a Minnesota Twins baseball game. Before the end of the fourth inning, they were being hustled onto busses to begin a trip that would change their lives forever. From baseball to bootcamp: In a matter of a few months, the bulk of the Twins Platoon would be in Vietnam. In fact, they would just be settling into their duties as combat Marines when they would be faced with some of the toughest fighting of the war, the Siege of Khe Sanh and the Tet Offensive, including the brutal Battle for Hue.

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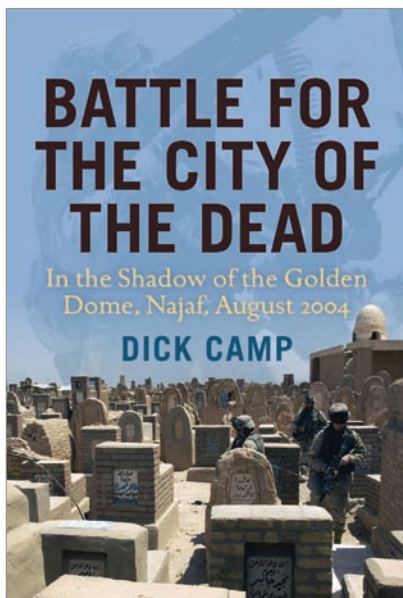
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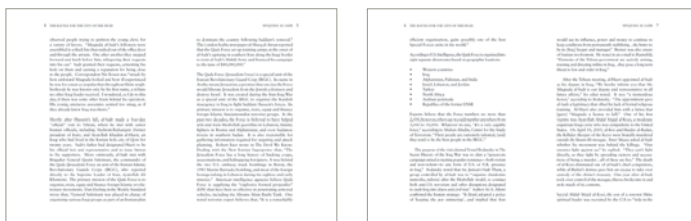
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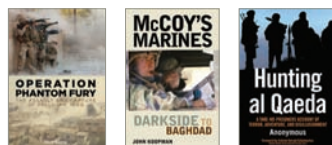
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Dick Camp retired from the Marine Corps as a full colonel and now is a senior executive at the National Museum of the Marine Corps and Heritage Center. Author of five previous books, most recently *Operation Phantom Fury*, Colonel Camp lives in Fredericksburg, VA.



In the spring and summer of 2004, Iraq was coming apart at the seams. Sectarian violence pitted Shiite against Sunni. American proconsul L. Paul Bremer had disbanded the Iraqi Army, placing disgruntled young men on the street without jobs or the prospect of getting one. Their anger developed into a full-blown insurgency fed by a relentless campaign by the clergy for jihad against the “occupation force.” In August, a Shiite cleric named Muqtada Al-Sadr called upon his thousands of armed followers, the Mahdi Militia, to resist the occupation. Fighting broke out in several locations, including the holy city of Najaf, the site of the largest Moslem cemetery in the world, and the Imam Ali Mosque. The U.S. forces fought in 120-degree heat through a tangle of crypts, mausoleums, and crumbling graves. The fight was brutal pitting religious zealots against the highly motivated and disciplined U.S. Army and Marine Corps troops. It makes for a riveting account of Americans in battle.

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Eric G. Swedin is an associate professor at Weber State University and the author of five books, including *When Angels Wept: A What-If History of the Cuban Missile Crisis*. He lives near Ogden, UT.



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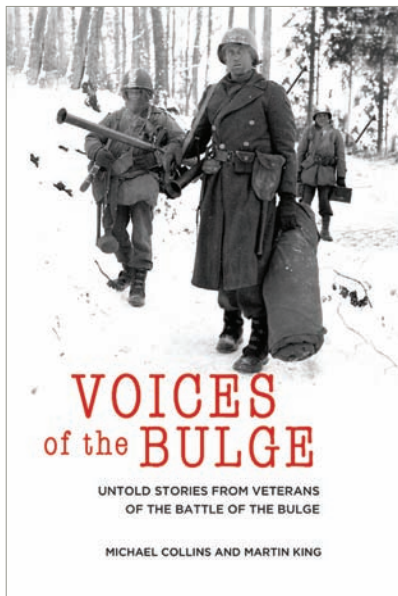
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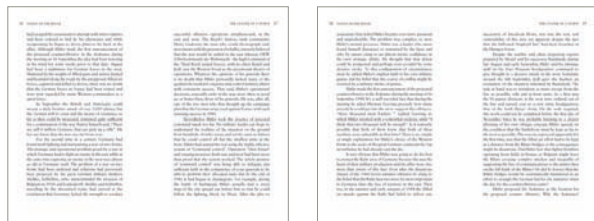


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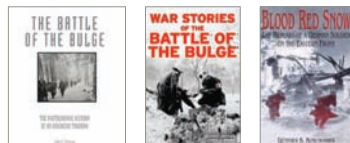
Michael Collins is a Public Historian who has been a historical interpreter and museum staffer for the New England Air Museum, the Destroyer Escort Historical Museum, the Irish American Heritage Museum, and the New York State Military Museum and Veterans Research Center among others. He lives in Hartford, CT.

Martin King is a British Military Historian/Lecturer who has guided many allied veterans and interviewed both German veterans and civilian witnesses in and around the WWII battlefields. He lives in Belgium where he researches and lectures on ETO battles as a consultant for the History Channel.



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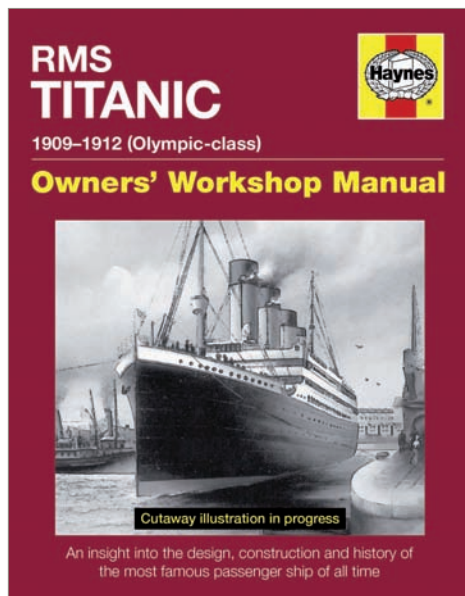
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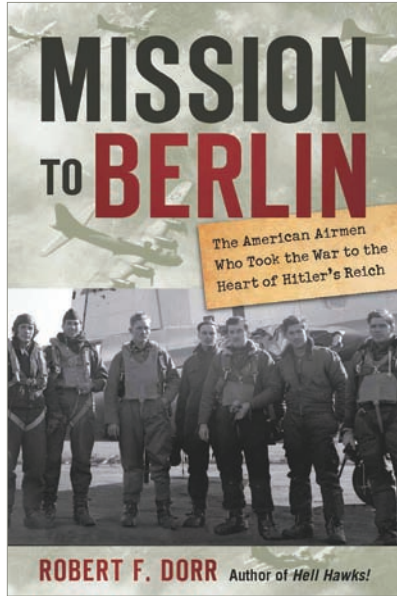
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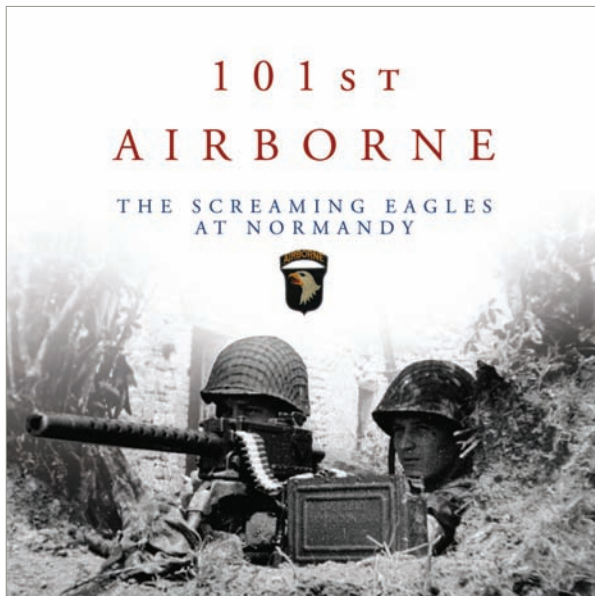
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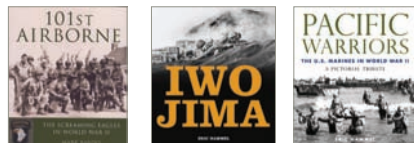


Author and historian Mark Bando specializes in the history of the 101st Airborne and the 2nd Armored Division. He has published several books with Zenith Press, including 101st Airborne: The Screaming Eagles at Normandy, The 101st Airborne at Normandy, The 101st Airborne: From Holland to Hitler's Eagle's News, and Breakout at Normandy: The 2nd Armored Division in the Land of the Dead. He is retired from the police department in Detroit, MI, where he still resides.

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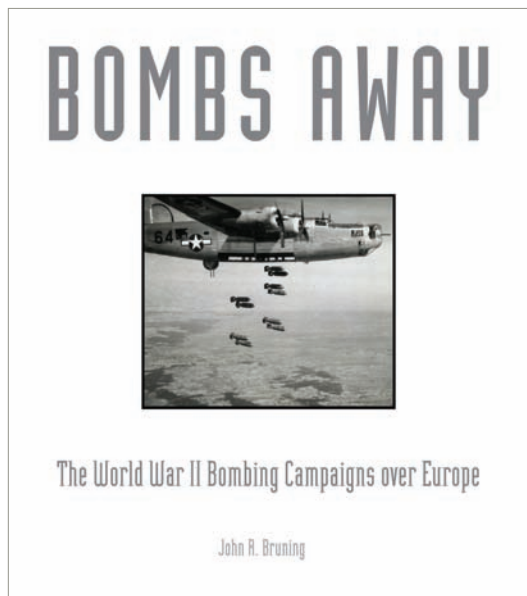
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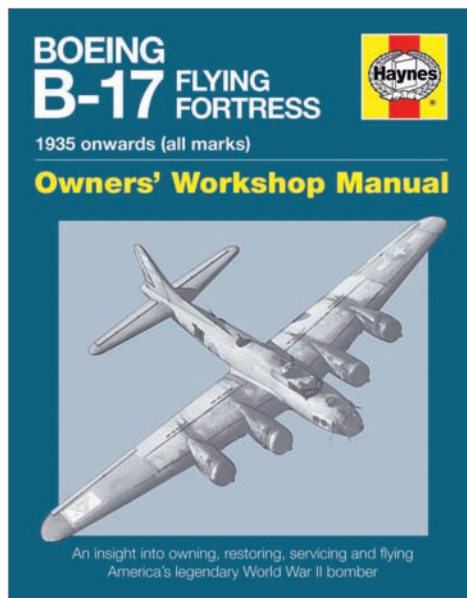
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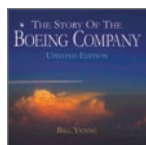
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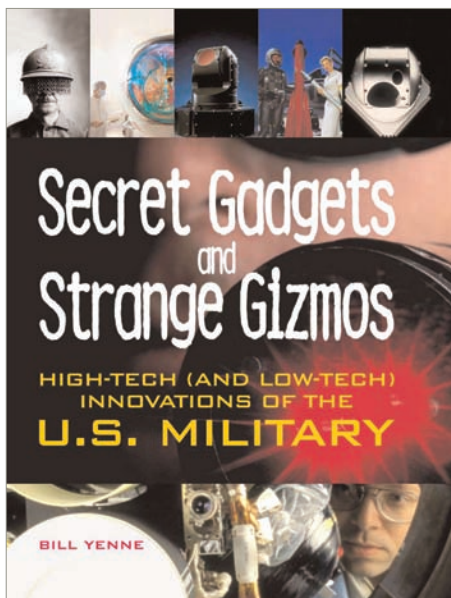
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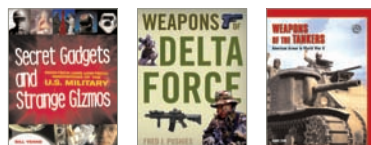
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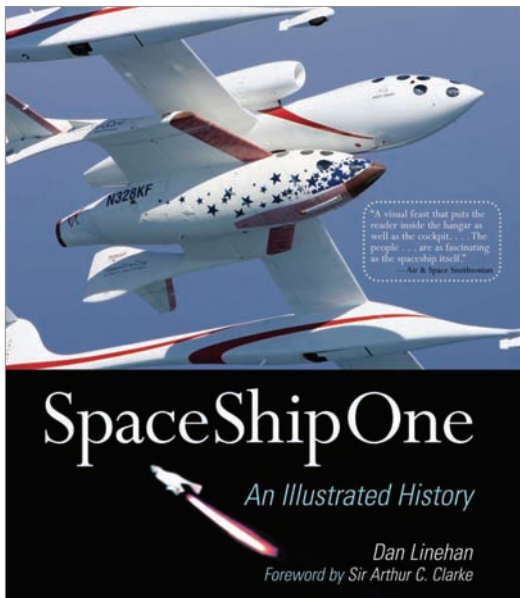
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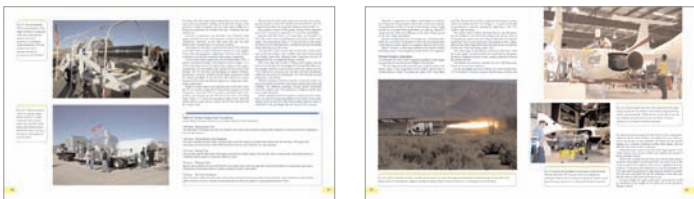
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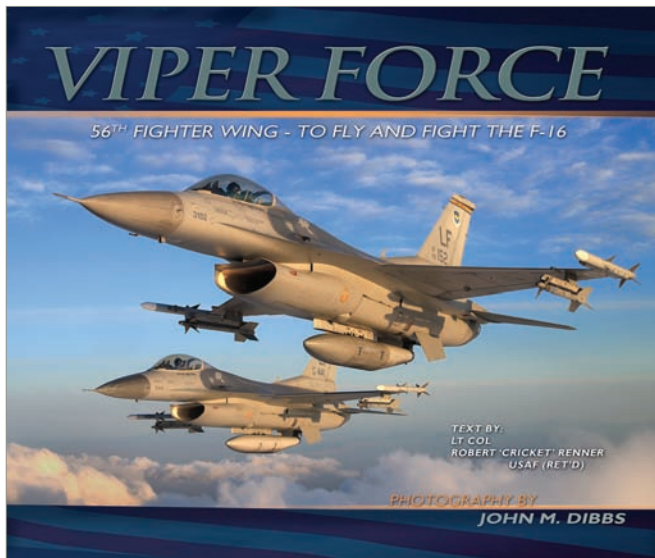
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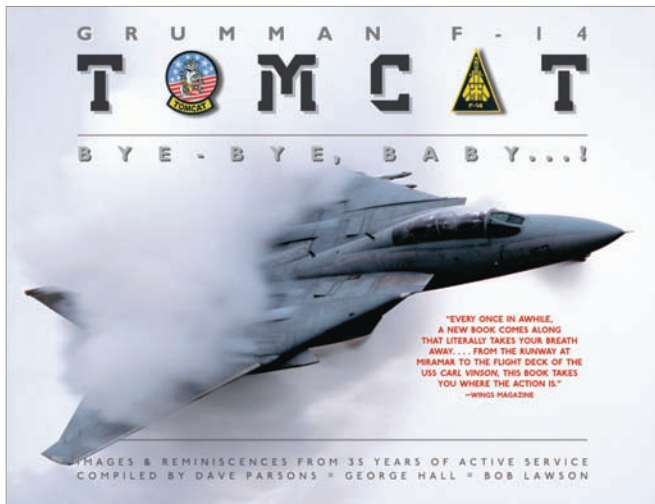
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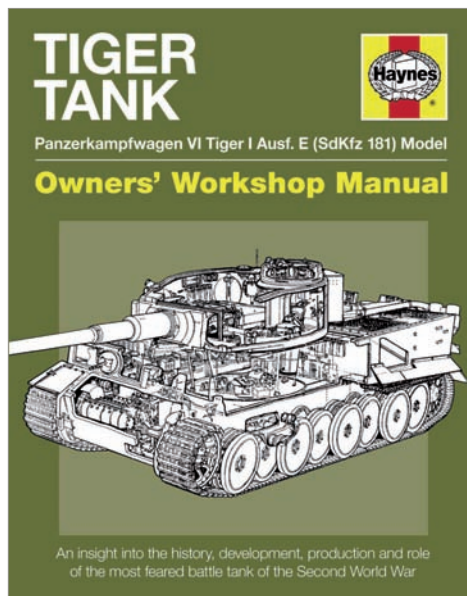
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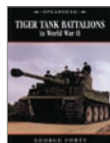
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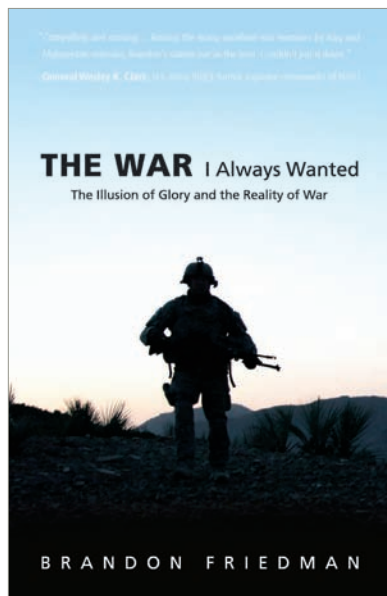
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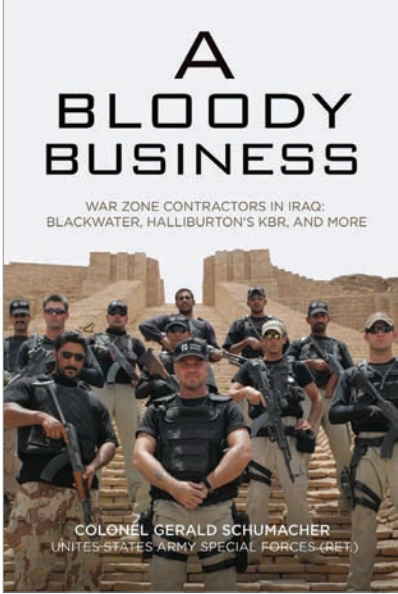
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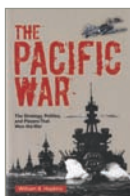
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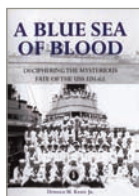
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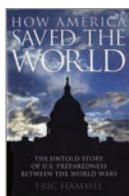
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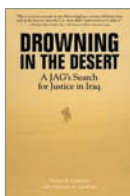
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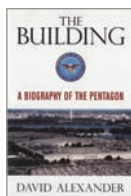
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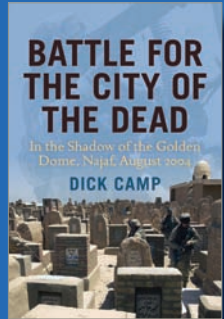
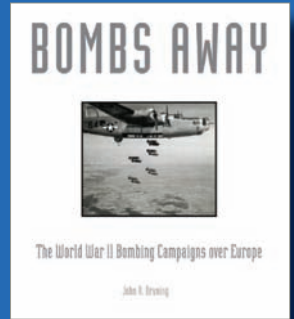
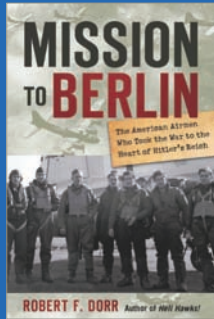
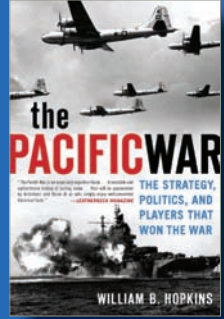
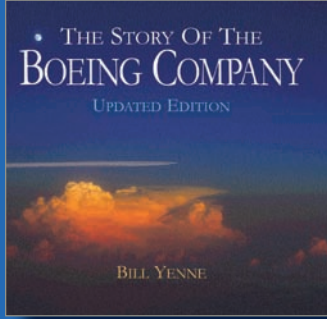
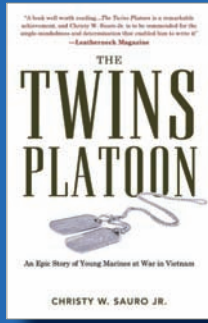
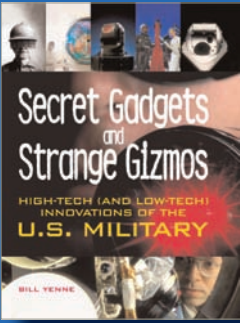
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