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This first detailed history of the
Atlanta Campaign since
General Jacob D. Cox's version
in 1862, noted historian Castel
provides a compelling
overview, written in the

present tense to give a sense of immediacy and realism, that demonstrates how Sherman's capture of Atlanta occurred and why it assured a Northern victory. Photos. Maps. The history of this unexpected Confederate victory in Civil War Mississippi, told through a collection of first-person soldier accounts. An insignificant crossroads in northeast Mississippi was an unlikely battleground for one of the most spectacular Confederate victories in the western theater of the Civil War. But that is where two generals determined destiny for their men. Union general Samuel D. Sturgis looked to redeem his past military record, while hard-fighting Confederate general Nathan Bedford Forrest aimed to drive the Union army out of Mississippi or die trying. In the hot June sun, their armies collided for control of north Mississippi in a story of courage, overwhelming odds, and American spirit. In this book, Stewart Bennett retells the day's saga through a

wealth of first-person soldier accounts. Includes photos Inspector Roger ('Handsome') West of Scotland Yard has to deal with a millionaire who is being blackmailed, a kidnapped bride who is threatened with the horrors of an international vice racket and an utterly evil gangster from whose clutches no one is safe. This is a nightmare battle that he must win. Silver bullets, bears, blizzards, and buffalo occupy the Harris family as they settle into their new life on the Middle Fork of the Little Red River. Add Big Sam Meeker to the mix and things really start to happen, like bear wrestling to the death, a Cherokee wedding, a battle with thieves at Half Moon Mountain, and a fight with white renegades over silver bullets. Jerry Harris visits White Wolf and Morning Starr on Swan Creek and gets a new name from an Osage seer. His rescue of a captive Kaw slave in a spring blizzard causes a stir in the Osage camp and earns deadly enemies for Jerry. His fight in the wilderness of the Ozark hills

with two Osage warriors leaves him seriously wounded and the slave girl Kansas as his only hope for survival. Kansas searches for her family among the Kaw tribe, then she and Sly Fox capture and tame a herd of wild horses after surviving a raid by Pawnee warriors. Those young boys Jesse Meeker and Riley Four killer learn the hard way that fishing and wine don't mix well and it is left up to Grandmother Laughing Brook to save them from a terrible fate. "Derek Zumbro chronicles this key military campaign from a unique and fresh perspective - that of the defeated German soldiers and civilians caught in the final maelstrom of the war's western front." "Zumbro chronicles the relentless assault on the Ruhr Pocket through German eyes, as the Allied juggernaut battered the region's cities, villages, and homes into submission. He tells of children pressed into service by a desperate Nazi regime - and of even more desperate parents trying to save their sons from sacrifice at the eleventh hour.

He also tells of unspeakable conditions suffered by foreign laborers, POWs, and political opponents in the Ruhr Valley and of the mass graves that gave Allied soldiers a grisly new understanding of their enemy." "Zumbro also recounts the story of Field Marshal Walter Model's final hours. His eventual suicide effectively ended the existence of the Wehrmacht's once-formidable Army Group B after being pursued, methodically encircled, and finally destroyed by U.S. and British forces. Through interviews with surviving members of Model's former staff, Zumbro has uncovered the attitudes of beleaguered officers that official records could never convey." "Other interviews with former soldiers reveal the extent to which Allied bombing contributed to the rapid deterioration of German combat effectiveness and tell of civilians begging soldiers to abandon the war. Zumbro's research reveals the identities of specific characters discussed in previous works but never

identified, describes the final hours of German officers executed for the loss of the bridge at Remagen, and offers new insight into Model's acquiescence to Hitler in military affairs."--BOOK JACKET. In 1862, far from the bloodied fields of Virginia and Tennessee, some 2,000 miles west of Washington and Richmond, the Civil War raged in the mountains and deserts of the Southwest. With an army of zealous Texas recruits, many of them in the fullness of their youth, Gen. Henry Hopkins Sibley marched what became the Army of New Mexico across the burning deserts of the Texas trans-Pecos to Fort Bliss. Driving north into the verdant Mesilla Valley, Sibley hoped to overrun the Union adobe bastion of Fort Craig, push up the Rio Grande and seize the supply depot at Albuquerque, raise the Stars and Bars over Santa Fe, and march on Fort Union, another vital supply depot and the gateway to Colorado. The eventual objective of the campaign, as Sibley purportedly told one of

his artillery officers, was the eventual conquest of California. "On to San Francisco" was to be the battle cry of Sibley's army of conquest. A continental Confederate States of America stretching from Richmond to San Francisco might well speed diplomatic recognition by Great Britain and France, a vital component, Jefferson Davis realized, for the independence of the infant southern republic. Civil War in West Texas and New Mexico provides new and exciting details to Sibley's ill-fated and grandiose dreams for a Confederate empire in the Southwest. Of the 147 individual letters the letterbook contains, only eight have been identified as having been published in the Official Records. In particular, the letters show how Sibley organized his small army, enlisted officers at the brigade and regimental levels, and sought to supply it with arms and equipment. In addition, as many as 150 individuals, many of them well known, are named in the letterbook. This new

study makes for important reading for anyone interested in the Civil War. The book is intended to create a historically accurate and visual study guide. It is much more than just a book of maps. These literal battle lines in map form were drawn by those who had direct and indirect knowledge of this tragic episode in our nation's history. An account of the ancient battle between Persia and the alliance of Greek city-states, including the legendary "300 Spartans." In 480 BCE, Persian king Xerxes led a massive invasion of Greece. A critical point in this invasion was the battle for the pass at Thermopylae—"Hot Gates" in Greek. Xerxes had amassed one of the largest armies yet known to man, while Leonidas's troops, a group of united Spartans, Thespians, Thebans, and others, including slaves, were a small fraction of the Persian horde. Despite the overwhelming odds, Leonidas and his men stood their ground for three days in a historic display of patriotism and

courage. In *Thermopylae: Battle for the West*, acclaimed author Ernle Bradford covers the entire era of the invasion—from the foundation of the Persian empire to the accession of Darius all the way to the final, bloody battles—in a fascinating and accessible look at warfare in ancient times. This engrossing and meticulously researched volume reexamines the decisions made by Dwight D. Eisenhower and his staff in the crucial months leading up to the Battle of the Bulge. In late August 1944 defeat of the Wehrmacht seemed assured. On December 16, however, the Germans counterattacked. Received wisdom says that Eisenhower's Broad Front strategy caused his armies to stall in early September, and his subsequent failure to concentrate his forces brought about deadlock and opened the way for the German attack. Arguing to the contrary, John A. Adams demonstrates that Eisenhower and his staff at SHAEF had a good campaign strategy, refined to reflect

developments on the ground, which had an excellent chance of destroying the Germans west of the Rhine. Two and a half months after the Confederate Army's drive into Union territory had been checked by the Federals at Gettysburg, the two armies met near Chattanooga, Tennessee, to dispute control of the west. Here they locked in the bloody battle of Chickamauga, one of the most hotly contested engagements of American history, and one of the most extraordinary. For two days —September 19 and 20, 1863 — 125,000 men struggled for the prize city of Chattanooga in terrain more like a jungle than a battlefield. All regarded the battle as decisive. On its outcome depended, for the South, the fate of Atlanta and all Georgia. For the North, it promised the one opportunity to cut the Confederacy through the middle and possibly end the war before Christmas. For the courage they displayed, these men surpassed any in the wars of western civilization. It was, perhaps above all else

from the strategist's point of view, a battle of strong personalities. Leading the Federals was William Starke Rosecrans, of German ancestry, hot-tempered and sometimes vacillating. Opposed to him was the hard-fighting, brave and resourceful Braxton Bragg, a martinet who could be slow moving and careless in supervising the execution of his orders. Possibly most outstanding of all was the Union General George Henry Thomas, whose remarkable courage and tactical skill saved his side from overwhelming defeat and earned him the sobriquet of "Rock of Chickamauga." "The Battle for the Siegfried Line" was not only the most important of the 1944-45 campaign against Germany, it was to prove the key battle in the war in the west. This work gives a vivid account brings to life the principal personalities engaged in the struggle to break through the "West Wall". Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in History A dramatic, riveting, and "fresh look at a region

typically obscured in accounts of the Civil War. American history buffs will relish this entertaining and eye-opening portrait" (Publishers Weekly). Megan Kate Nelson "expands our understanding of how the Civil War affected Indigenous peoples and helped to shape the nation" (Library Journal, starred review), reframing the era as one of national conflict—involving not just the North and South, but also the West. Against the backdrop of this larger series of battles, Nelson introduces nine individuals: John R. Baylor, a Texas legislator who established the Confederate Territory of Arizona; Louisa Hawkins Canby, a Union Army wife who nursed Confederate soldiers back to health in Santa Fe; James Carleton, a professional soldier who engineered campaigns against Navajos and Apaches; Kit Carson, a famous frontiersman who led a regiment of volunteers against the Texans, Navajos, Kiowas, and Comanches; Juanita, a Navajo weaver who resisted Union

campaigns against her people; Bill Davidson, a soldier who fought in all of the Confederacy's major battles in New Mexico; Alonzo Ickis, an Iowa-born gold miner who fought on the side of the Union; John Clark, a friend of Abraham Lincoln's who embraced the Republican vision for the West as New Mexico's surveyor-general; and Mangas Coloradas, a revered Chiricahua Apache chief who worked to expand Apache territory in Arizona. As we learn how these nine charismatic individuals fought for self-determination and control of the region, we also see the importance of individual actions in the midst of a larger military conflict. Based on letters and diaries, military records and oral histories, and photographs and maps from the time, "this history of invasions, battles, and forced migration shapes the United States to this day—and has never been told so well" (Pulitzer Prize-winning author T.J. Stiles). Is peace an aberration? The New York

Times bestselling author of *Paris 1919* offers a provocative view of war as an essential component of humanity.

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BOOK REVIEW “Margaret MacMillan has produced another seminal work. . . . She is right that we must, more than ever, think about war. And she has shown us how in this brilliant, elegantly written book.”—H.R. McMaster, author of *Dereliction of Duty* and *Battlegrounds: The Fight to Defend the Free World*

The instinct to fight may be innate in human nature, but war—organized violence—comes with organized society. War has shaped humanity’s history, its social and political institutions, its values and ideas. Our very language, our public spaces, our private memories, and some of our greatest cultural treasures reflect the glory and the misery of war. War is an uncomfortable and challenging subject not least because it brings out both the vilest and

the noblest aspects of humanity. Margaret MacMillan looks at the ways in which war has influenced human society and how, in turn, changes in political organization, technology, or ideologies have affected how and why we fight.

War: How Conflict Shaped Us explores such much-debated and controversial questions as: When did war first start? Does human nature doom us to fight one another? Why has war been described as the most organized of all human activities? Why are warriors almost always men? Is war ever within our control?

Drawing on lessons from wars throughout the past, from classical history to the present day, MacMillan reveals the many faces of war—the way it has determined our past, our future, our views of the world, and our very conception of ourselves. The first definitive study of a Civil War battle in the Trans-Mississippi shows how the battle of Pea Ridge in northwestern Arkansas dramatically altered the balance of power and helped

ensure Union victory
Immortalized by David
Farragut's apothegm, "Damn
the torpedoes, full speed
ahead," the Battle of Mobile
Bay remains one of history's
great naval engagements, a
contest between two admirals
trained in the same naval
tradition who once fought
under the same flag. This new
study takes a fresh look at the
battle—the bloodiest naval
battle of the Civil
War—examining its genesis,
tactics, and political
ramifications. If the
Confederacy had been able to
deny the Union a victory before
the presidential election, the
South was certain to have won
its independence. The North's
win, however, not only stopped
the blockade-runners in Mobile
but insured Lincoln's re-
election. Although the Union
had an advantage in vessels of
eighteen to four and an
overwhelming superiority in
firepower, it paid dearly for its
victory, suffering almost ten
times as many casualties as
Franklin Buchanan's
Confederate fleet. The author

traces the evolution of the
battle from the time Farragut
took command of the West Gulf
Blockading Squadron in
February 1862 until the battle
was fought on 5 August 1864.
He then continues the
narrative through the end of
the war and explains how the
battle influenced ship design
and naval tactics for years to
come. An account of the clash
between two powerful
civilizations describes the epic
struggle between the Persians
and the Greeks in 480 BC and
assesses the implications of
that war in terms of the history
of the West in light of the
Greek victory at Salamis. In
this compelling piece of
narrative history, Capponi
describes the clash between
the Ottoman Empire and the
Holy League that led to the
Battle of Lepanto and takes a
fresh look at the bloody
struggle at sea between oared
fighting galleys and
determined men of faith. Think
about strategy and sharpen
judgment in an unpredictable
environment Carl von
Clausewitz is widely

acknowledged as one of the most important of the major strategic theorists; he's been read by Eisenhower, Kissinger, Patton, Chairman Mao, and numerous other leaders. In Clausewitz on Strategy, the Boston Consulting Group's Strategy Institute has excerpted those passages most relevant to business strategy from Clausewitz's classic text On War, the most general, applicable, and enduring work of strategy in the modern West and a source of insight into the nature of conflict, whether on the battlefield or in the boardroom. This book offers Clausewitz's framework for self-education--a way to train the reader's thinking. Clausewitz speaks the mind of the executive, revealing logic that those interested in strategic thinking and practice will find invaluable. He presents unique ideas, such as the idea that friction--unexpected interference--is an intrinsic part of strategy. The Boston Consulting Group is one of the world's leading management consulting firms

whose clients include many of the world's industry leaders. Tiha von Ghyczy (Charlottesville, VA) has been a faculty member and Director of Business Projects at the Darden School of Business since 1996. While with The Boston Consulting Group, he assumed responsibility for the practice groups in manufacturing/time-based competition and high technology. He has published numerous articles and books on vision and strategy. Bolko von Oetinger (Munich, Germany) is a Senior Vice President of BCG. Christopher Bassford (Washington, DC) is presently a Professor of Strategy at the National War College in Washington, DC, and the author of several books, including Clausewitz in English: The Reception of Clausewitz in Britain and America, 1815-1945. "The Battle of Moscow, 1941-1942: The Red Army's Defensive Operations and Counteroffensive Along the Moscow Strategic Direction" is a detailed examination of one

of the major turning points of World War II, as seen from the Soviet side. The Battle of Moscow marked the climax of Hitler's "Operation Barbarossa," which sought to destroy the Soviet Union in a single campaign and ensure German hegemony in Europe. The failure to do so condemned Germany to a prolonged war it could not win. This work originally appeared in 1943, under the title "Razgrom Nemetskikh Voisk pod Moskvoy" (The Rout of the German Forces Around Moscow). The work was produced by the Red Army General Staff's military-historical section, which was charged with collecting and analyzing the war's experience and disseminating it to the army's higher echelons. This was a collective effort, featuring many different contributors, with Marshal Boris Mikhailovich Shaposhnikov, former chief of the Red Army General Staff and then head of the General Staff Academy, serving as general editor. The book is

divided into three parts, each dealing with a specific phase of the battle. The first traces the Western Front's defensive operations along the Moscow direction during Army Group Center's final push toward the capital in November-December, 1941. The study pays particular attention to the Red Army's resistance to the Germans' attempts to outflank Moscow from the north. Equally important were the defensive operations to the south of Moscow, where the Germans sought to push forward their other encircling flank. The second part deals with the first phase of the Red Army's counteroffensive, which was aimed at pushing back the German pincers and removing the immediate threat to Moscow. Here the Soviets were able to throw the Germans back and flatten both salients, particularly in the south, where they were able to make deep inroads into the enemy front to the west and northwest. The final section examines the further development of the

counteroffensive until the end of January 1942. This section highlights the Soviet advance all along the front and their determined but unsuccessful attempts to cut off the Germans' Rzhev-Vyaz'ma salient. It is from this point that the front essentially stabilized, after which events shifted to the south. This new translation into English makes available to a wider readership this valuable study. Gain an in-depth understanding of the largest tank engagement in history that led to staggering losses during WW II. Access to newly released Soviet material adds detail to this legendary conflict, reconstructing combat and tactical maneuvers. 45 photos. 32 maps. The brilliant and provocative new book from one of the world's foremost political writers 'The anti-Western revisionists have been out in recent years. It is high time that we revise them in turn...' In *The War on the West*, international bestselling author Douglas Murray asks: if the history of humankind is a history of slavery, conquest,

prejudice, genocide and exploitation, why are only Western nations taking the blame for it? It's become, he explains, perfectly acceptable to celebrate the contributions of non-Western cultures, but discussing their flaws and crimes is called hate speech. What's more it has become acceptable to discuss the flaws and crimes of Western culture, but celebrating their contributions is also called hate speech. Some of this is a much-needed reckoning; however, some of it is part of a larger international attack on reason, democracy, science, progress, and the citizens of the West by dishonest scholars, hatemongers, hostile nations and human rights abusers hoping to distract from their ongoing villainy. In *The War on the West*, Douglas Murray shows how many well-meaning people have been lured into protests and polarisation by such lies and hypocrisy. A blistering and important polemic, Murray's latest book carefully and methodically shows how far political

discourse has strayed in Europe and America from its stated goals: justice and equality. Propelled by an incisive deconstruction of inconsistent arguments and activism, towards a clarion call for the defence of enlightenment values, *The War on the West* is one of the most important books for a generation, cementing Murray as one of the world's foremost political writers. The story of West Point basketball team's perfect season of 1944, and the fate of its Seniors in the 1945 battles of World War II. Battle of Hurtgen Forest Inspector Roger ('Handsome') West of Scotland Yard has to deal with a millionaire who is being blackmailed, a kidnapped bride who is threatened with the horrors of an international vice racket and an utterly evil gangster from whose clutches no one is safe. This is a nightmare battle that he must win. Initially published on the eve of the German blitzkrieg against France in 1940, this analysis of the German doctrine of defense as it

evolved in 1915-1918 is often overlooked because of its misleading title. No understanding of the failure of the Allied offensives on the Western Front in World War I is adequate without reference to this work which explores the problem from the German point of view. Author of *The Great War*, as well as celebrated accounts of the battles of the Somme, Passchendaele, Jutland, and Gallipoli, historian Peter Hart now turns to World War One's final months. Much has been made of-and written about-August 1914. There has been comparatively little focus on August 1918 and the lead-up to November. Because of the fixation on the Great War's opening moves, and the great battles that followed over the course of the next four years, the endgame seems to come as a stunning anticlimax. At the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918 the guns simply fell silent. *The Last Battle* definitively corrects this misperception. As Hart shows,

a number of factors precipitated the Armistice. After four years of bloodshed, Germany was nearly bankrupt and there was a growing rift between the military High Command and political leadership. But it also remained a determined combatant, and France and Great Britain had equally been stretched to their limits; Russia had abandoned the conflict in the late winter of 1918. However complex the causes of Germany's ultimate defeat, Allied success on the Western Front, as Hart reveals, tipped the scales—the triumphs at the Fifth Battle of Ypres, the Sambre, the Selle, and the Meuse-Argonne, where American forces made arguably their greatest contribution. The offensives cracked the Hindenburg Line and wore down the German resistance, precipitating collapse. Final victory came at great human cost and involved the combined efforts of millions of men. Using the testimony of a range of participants, from the Doughboys, Tommies,

German infantrymen, and French poilus who did the fighting, to those in command during those last days and weeks, Hart brings intimacy and sweep to the events that led to November 11, 1918. Historians have portrayed British participation in World War I as a series of tragic debacles, with lines of men mown down by machine guns, with untried new military technology, and incompetent generals who threw their troops into improvised and unsuccessful attacks. In this book a renowned military historian studies the evolution of British infantry tactics during the war and challenges this interpretation, showing that while the British army's plans and technologies failed persistently during the improvised first half of the war, the army gradually improved its technique, technology, and, eventually, its self-assurance. By the time of its successful sustained offensive in the fall of 1918, says Paddy Griffith, the British army was demonstrating a battlefield

skill and mobility that would rarely be surpassed even during World War II. Evaluating the great gap that exists between theory and practice, between textbook and bullet-swept mudfield, Griffith argues that many battles were carefully planned to exploit advanced tactics and to avoid casualties, but that breakthrough was simply impossible under the conditions of the time. According to Griffith, the British were already masters of "storm troop tactics" by the end of 1916, and in several important respects were further ahead than the Germans would be even in 1918. In fields such as the timing and orchestration of all-arms assaults, predicted artillery fire, "Commando-style" trench raiding, the use of light machine guns, or the barrage fire of heavy machine guns, the British led the world. Although British generals were not military geniuses, says Griffith, they should at least be credited for effectively inventing much of the twentieth-century's art

of war. A firsthand account of the sixty-day siege of An Loc presents a detailed overview of the 1972 North Vietnamese Easter Offensive, focusing on the fighting in Binh Long Province, Saigon, and the siege of An Loc. When faced with global instability and economic uncertainty, it is tempting for states to react by closing borders, hoarding wealth and solidifying power. We have seen it at various times in Japan, France and Italy and now it is infecting much of Europe and America, as the vote for Brexit in the UK has vividly shown. This insularity, together with increased inequality of income and wealth, threatens the future role of the West as a font of stability, prosperity and security. Part of the problem is that the principles of liberal democracy upon which the success of the West has been built have been suborned, with special interest groups such as bankers accruing too much power and too great a share of the economic cake. So how is this threat to be countered?

States such as Sweden in the 1990s, California at different times or Britain under Thatcher all halted stagnation by clearing away the powers of interest groups and restoring their societies' ability to evolve. To survive, the West needs to be porous, open and flexible. From reinventing welfare systems to redefining the working age, from reimagining education to embracing automation, Emmott lays out the changes the West must make to revive itself in the moment and avoid a deathly rigid future. NATIONAL BESTSELLER In this definitive account of the conflict, acclaimed war correspondent and bestselling author Bing West provides a practical way out of Afghanistan. Drawing on his expertise as both a combat-hardened Marine and a former assistant secretary of defense, West has written a tour de force narrative, rich with vivid characters and gritty combat, which shows the consequences when strategic theory meets tactical reality. Having embedded with dozens of

frontline units over the past three years, he takes the reader on a battlefield journey from the mountains in the north to the opium fields in the south. A fighter who understands strategy, West builds the case for changing course. His conclusion is sure to provoke debate: remove most of the troops from Afghanistan, stop spending billions on the dream of a modern democracy, and insist the Afghans fight their own battles. Bing West's book is a page-turner about brave men and cunning enemies that examines our realistic choices as a nation. By the acclaimed author of the classic Patriots and Union 1812, this major work of narrative history portrays four of the most turbulent decades in the growth of the American nation. After the War of 1812, President Andrew Jackson and his successors led the country to its manifest destiny across the continent. But that expansion unleashed new regional hostilities that led inexorably to Civil War. The

earliest victims were the Cherokees and other tribes of the southeast who had lived and prospered for centuries on land that became Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia. Jackson, who had first gained fame as an Indian fighter, decreed that the Cherokees be forcibly removed from their rich cotton fields to make way for an exploding white population. His policy set off angry debates in Congress and protests from such celebrated Northern writers as Ralph Waldo Emerson. Southern slave owners saw that defense of the Cherokees as linked to a growing abolitionist movement. They understood that the protests would not end with protecting a few Indian tribes. Langguth tells the dramatic story of the desperate fate of the Cherokees as they were driven out of Georgia at bayonet point by U.S. Army forces led by General Winfield Scott. At the center of the story are the American statesmen of the day—Henry Clay, John Quincy Adams, John C. Calhoun—and those Cherokee

leaders who tried to save their people—Major Ridge, John Ridge, Elias Boudinot, and John Ross. *Driven West* presents wrenching firsthand accounts of the forced march across the Mississippi along a path of misery and death that the Cherokees called the Trail of Tears. Survivors reached the distant Oklahoma territory that Jackson had marked out for them, only to find that the bloodiest days of their ordeal still awaited them. In time, the fierce national collision set off by Jackson's Indian policy would encompass the Mexican War, the bloody frontier wars over the expansion of slavery, the doctrines of nullification and secession, and, finally, the Civil War itself. In his masterly narrative of this saga, Langguth captures the idealism and betrayals of headstrong leaders as they steered a raw and vibrant nation in the rush to its destiny. Though West Virginia was founded for the purpose of remaining loyal to the Union, severing ties with Virginia, home of the capital of the Confederacy, would prove

difficult. West Virginia's fate would be tested on its battlegrounds. In August 1863, Union general William Woods Averell led a six-hundred-mile raid culminating in the Battle of White Sulphur Springs in Green Brier County. Colonel George S. Patton, grandfather of the legendary World War II general, met Averell with a dedicated Confederate force. After a fierce two-day battle, Patton defeated Averell, forcing him to retreat and leave West Virginia, and ultimately the Union, in the balance. Civil War historian Eric J. Wittenberg presents a fascinating in-depth analysis of the proceedings in the first book-length study of this important battle. This is a Civil War book about a little known engagement that took place two days before the important Battle of Monocacy which is referred to as the battle that saved Washington, D.C. from capture by the Confederates. The book follows the ragtag Confederate Army of the Valley commanded by the cantankerous General Jubal

Early on its ill fated 1864 invasion of Maryland. It introduces the reader to the various players and the general background that would become part of this critical thirty day period in the Civil War. Special emphasis is placed on the Third Potomac Home Brigade and the role this unit of Marylanders would play in the events. The book follows Jubal Early's army through the Shenandoah Valley, its eventual crossing of the Potomac River into Maryland and the reaction to this impending problem by two particular individuals, John Garrett of the Baltimore & Railroad and Union General Lew Wallace. It details the various engagements fought between the invading Confederates and the hastily assembled Union defenders leading up to the fighting that occurred first on the morning of July 7th at Middletown, Maryland then culminating in spirited fighting during the afternoon and evening hours, in the farm fields just west of Frederick. The book continues

with the military activities on July 8th and concentrates on the part that the Third Potomac Home Brigade plays in the Battle of Monocacy that transpires on July 9th. While concentrating on the military activities during this time period the book takes time to discuss the ransoms of three Maryland communities by the invading Confederates namely Frederick, Hagerstown and Middletown. To better inform the reader information is provided through maps, pictures and lists on units involved, their commanders, troop movement, period currency and transportation. When finished its hoped the reader will have a better understanding of the importance of the July 7th fighting, those that participated and the overall impact it had on the preparations for and the outcome of the Battle of Monocacy. Five years have passed since the Euromaidan revolution dramatically altered the face of Ukraine. After the then president Yanukovich left

the country, things that would have been unthinkable until only a few weeks before happened, with Ukraine losing part of its territory to Russia and the East of the country engulfed in a five-year long war. The conflict in the Donbass is still going on. The war, that until now has costed some 13,000 lives, has luckily lost in intensity since the heavy fighting and the artillery bombings that took place in 2014 and early 2015, but sporadic shootings still continue with a preoccupying frequency, almost on a daily basis. Most importantly, a solution of the conflict does not appear to be in sight. What began as a regional rebellion in one of the most populous regions of Ukraine has been turned in the perception of many Ukrainians and a large part of Western audiences into an all-out Russo-Ukrainian war. "On the morning of March 26, 1862, Confederate and Union armies met in Glorieta Pass in the southern Sangre de Cristo Mountains of New Mexico. A series of skirmishes, jockeying

for position, and a pitched battle on March 28 took a heavy toll on both sides and left the Rebels under Gen. Henry Hopkins Sibley apparently victorious over Gen. John P. Slough's troops." "However, the tide turned when Union soldiers under Col. John Chivington located the Confederate supply train and destroyed it. Without supplies, replacement arms, and ammunition, the Rebel troops could not maintain themselves against the still-strong Federal forces in the area. The Confederate quest for expansion into the Southwest was abandoned." "The Battle of Glorieta: Union victory in the West offers the first full, detailed, and accurate history of this blind, groping struggle in the smoke-filled Glorieta valley. It incorporates for the first time under one cover all the known Union participant accounts, including several never before published. Based on his own research on the battlefield, Don E. Alberts also presents a thorough understanding of the

deployment of troops and their actions."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved From mid-August to mid-September 1863, Union major general William S. Rosecrans's Army of the Cumberland maneuvered from Tennessee to north Georgia in a bid to rout Confederate general Braxton Bragg's Army of Tennessee and blaze the way for further Union advances. Meanwhile, Confederate reinforcements bolstered the numbers of the Army of Tennessee, and by the time the two armies met at the Battle of Chickamauga, in northern Georgia, the Confederates had gained numerical superiority. Although the Confederacy won its only major victory west of the Appalachians, it failed to achieve the truly decisive results many high-ranking Confederates expected. In *The Chickamauga Campaign*, Steven E. Woodworth assembles eight thought-provoking new essays from an impressive group of authors to offer new insight

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