



drama and an understated elegance, Burgin's gripping narrative stands alongside those of classic Pacific chroniclers like Robert Leckie and Eugene Sledge—indeed, Burgin was even Sledge's platoon sergeant. Here is a deeply moving account of World War II, but Pacific War.

This powerful memoir written by a decorated World War II veteran retells the tumultuous stories of personal struggles and the impact of a chaotic world, told "with that truth recognizable to every combat man " (NYT Book Review). Written by Robert Leckie, the Tom Hanks/Steven Spielberg HBO miniseries The Pacific, Strong Men Armed is the perennial bestselling classic account of the U.S. Marines' relentless drive through the Pacific during World War II. As scout and machine-gunner for the First Marine Division, Leckie was engaged in 15 major engagements until his wounding at Peleliu. In Strong Men Armed, Leckie uses firsthand experience and impeccable research to re-create the nightmarish battles of the Pacific campaign--from Guadalcanal to Okinawa--as ships, men, and guns moved over vast distances to defend to its last man. Here is the whole sweeping epic of the Marines who battled--and won--on the bloody beaches at Guadalcanal, the unforgiving reefs at Tarawa, the rain-soaked mud of New Britain, the dark gray soil and deadly caves of Mount Suribachi, and the Castle on Okinawa. It is a masterful narrative by a writer the New York Times praised as possessing the "rare gift of capturing all that is human in the most inhuman of man's activities." "Raw, heartbreaking, and superb."--Christian Science Monitor

Chickenology

Recovering the Unwritten Foundation of American Liberty

The Last Battle of World War II

Suddenly We Didn't Want to Die

Untold Stories from the Marine Heroes of World War II

Old Breed General

The US Army's Pacific War Odyssey, 1944

"For sheer adventure L'Amour is in top form."—Kirkus Reviews Here is the kind of authentically detailed epic novel that has become Louis L'Amour's hallmark. It is the compelling story of U.S. Air Force Major Joe Mack, a man born out of time. When his experimental aircraft is forced down in Russia and he escapes a Soviet prison camp, he must call upon the ancient skills of his Indian forebears to survive the vast Siberian wilderness. Only one route lies open to Mack: the path of his ancestors, overland to the Bering Strait and across the sea to America. But in pursuit is a legendary tracker, the Yakut native Alekhin, who knows every square foot of the icy frontier—and who knows that to trap his quarry he must think like a Sioux.

Deep learning is often viewed as the exclusive domain of math PhDs and big tech companies. But as this hands-on guide demonstrates, programmers comfortable with Python can achieve impressive results in deep learning with little math background, small amounts of data, and minimal code. How? With fastai, the first library to provide a consistent interface to the most frequently used deep learning applications. Authors Jeremy Howard and Sylvain Gugger, the creators of fastai, show you how to train a model on a wide range of tasks using fastai and PyTorch. You'll also dive progressively further into deep learning theory to gain a complete understanding of the algorithms behind the scenes. Train models in computer vision, natural language processing, tabular data, and collaborative filtering Learn the latest deep learning techniques that matter most in practice Improve accuracy, speed, and reliability by understanding how deep learning models work Discover how to turn your models into web applications Implement deep learning algorithms from scratch Consider the ethical implications of your work Gain insight from the foreword by PyTorch cofounder, Soumith Chintala

History of the First Marine Division in World War II

Marine general William H. Rupertus is best known today for writing the Corps' Rifleman's Creed, which begins, "This is my rifle. There are many like it, but this one is mine"—which has been made famous by films such as Full Metal Jacket and Jarhead. Rupertus was one of the outstanding Marines of the twentieth century, standing alongside men such as Smedley Butler, Chesty Puller, and Arthur Vandegrift, but he died in 1945, so his story has never been told. Rupertus "made his bones" in the USMC's "savage wars of peace" before World War II: Haiti for three years after World War I, China in 1929 (where he lost his wife and children to the scarlet fever epidemic) and again in 1937 (where he witnessed the beginning of Japan's war against China that turned into the Pacific War of World War II). In World War II, Rupertus commanded during four important battles: Tulagi and Henderson Field during the Guadalcanal campaign; the Battle of Cape Gloucester; and Peleliu. It was a series of blistering battles—and ultimately victories—that helped break the back of the Japanese and pave the way for American victory. In the course of these battles, Rupertus became the Patton of the Pacific—ruthless in war, always on the attack, merciless against the enemy, undefeated in battles—even as he proved himself very much like Eisenhower, suavely diplomatic and able to balance war with politics. These skills allowed Rupertus to crush the enemy in the malaria-infested jungles of the Pacific and personally escort Eleanor Roosevelt on her tour of the Pacific. Old Breed General is the biography of Rupertus and the story of the Marines at war in the Pacific. This is an American story of love, loss, shock, horror, tragedy, and triumph that focuses on Rupertus and the 1st Marine Division in World War II, but which resonates through the 1st, to Chosin in Korea and James Mattis's command in Iraq.

A Navy SEAL at War

Neptune's Inferno

Island Infernos

Coraline

Islands of the Damned

Red Blood, Black Sand

China Marine

"Eugene Sledge became more than a legend with his memoir, With The Old Breed. He became a chronicler, a historian, a storyteller who turns the extremes of the war in the Pacific—the terror, the camaraderie, the banal and the extraordinary—into terms we mortals can grasp."

The Wall Street Journal. Victor Davis Hanson named With the Old Breed one of the top five books on epic twentieth-century battles. Studs Terkel interviewed the author for his definitive oral history, The Good War. Now E. B. Sledge's acclaimed first-person account of fighting at Iwo Jima has inspired and continues to inspire a new generation. An Alabama boy steeped in American history and enamored of such heroes as George Washington and Daniel Boone, Eugene B. Sledge became part of the war's famous 1st Marine Division—3rd Battalion, 5th Marines. Even after intense training, he was so nervous that he was where "the world was a nightmare of flashes, explosions, and snapping bullets." By the time Sledge hit the hell of Okinawa, he was a combat vet, still filled with fear but no longer with panic. Based on notes Sledge secretly kept in a copy of the New Testament, With the Old Breed is the experience of a soldier in the fierce Pacific Theater. Here is what saved, threatened, and changed his life. Here, too, is the story of how he learned to hate and kill—and came to love—his fellow man. "In all the literature on the Second World War, there is not a more honest, more powerful, or more moving account of the war in the Pacific. This is the real deal, the real war: unvarnished, brutal, without a shred of sentimentality or false patriotism, a profound primer on what it actually was like to be in that war. It is a classic that will outlive all the armchair generals' safe accounts of—not the 'good war'—but the war as it was. When a young girl ventures through a hidden door, she finds another life with shocking similarities to her own. Coraline has moved to a new house with her parents and she is fascinated by the fact that their 'house' is in fact only half a house! Divided into flats years before, there is a narrow hallway and a corridor. One day it is a corridor again and the intrepid Coraline wanders down it. And so a nightmare-ish mystery begins that takes Coraline into the arms of counterfeit parents and a life that isn't quite right. Can Coraline get out? Can she find her real parents? Will life ever be the same? "[Chickenology] has found a prominent place at my farm in the book shelf where we keep our favorites books"— Isabella Rossellini Chickenology takes young readers on a fascinating and informative tour of chickens. With a playful tone and irresistibly charming illustrations by rising star artist, Chickenology encyclopedia presents chickens in all of their feathered glory. Discover the incredible variety of chickens with different origins, breeds, and feather patterns. Learn incredible facts: did you know that chickens can count up to four and have excellent hearing? Many even like to be covered in mud! • Different breeds of chickens, like Padovana and Silkie • The difference between roosters and hens • How chicks are formed in the egg • Chickens sounds and noises • Chicken anatomy and feather anatomy and colors • Chickens and eggs around the world • Chicken history and uses • Chickens as pets Chickenology is the perfect animal book for nature and animal loving young readers, chicken enthusiasts, chicken farmers, and pet chicken owners alike! "Prepare to be fascinated by the varied world of chickens, presented here in charming detail...Endearingly detailed and educational overview of all things chicken is bound to hatch some new enthusiasts."—ALA/Booklist, STARRED REVIEW

The written US Constitution of 1787 has to be understood by the unwritten constitution, which includes the common law heritage, the colonists' practice of self-government, religious pluralism, the colonies as separate and then unified political actors in war, largely democratic in spirit, and the gains gained independence from an empire that had abused historic common law rights and its own tradition of limited government.

A World War II Diary

Thank God for the Atom Bomb, and Other Essays

The Old Breed

Voices of the Pacific

The Heroic Life of Sgt. John Basilone, USMC

La 1st Marine Division Dans l'enfer Du Pacifique

A Novel

The greatest accomplishment of Western civilization is arguably the achievement of individual liberty through limits on the power of the state. In the war-torn twentieth century, we rarely hear that one of the main costs of armed conflict is long-term loss of liberty to winners and losers alike. Beyond the obvious and direct costs of dead and wounded soldiers, there is the lifetime struggle of veterans to live with their nightmares and their injuries; the hidden economic costs of inflation, debts, and taxes; and more generally the damages caused to our

culture, our morality, and to civilization at large. The new edition is now available in paperback, with a number of new essays. It represents a large-scale collective effort to pierce the veils of myth and propaganda to reveal the true costs of war, above all, the cost to liberty. Central to this volume are the views of Ludwig von Mises on war and foreign policy. Mises argued that war, along with colonialism and imperialism, is the greatest enemy of freedom and prosperity, and that peace throughout the world cannot be achieved until the central governments of the major nations become limited in scope and power. In the spirit of these theorems by Mises, the contributors to this volume consider the costs of war generally and assess specific corrosive effects of major American wars since the Revolution. The first section includes chapters on the theoretical and institutional dimensions of the relationship between war and society, including conscription, infringements on freedom, the military as an engine of social change, war and literature, and the right of citizens to bear arms. The second group includes reconsiderations of Lincoln and Churchill, an analysis of the anti-interventionist idea in American politics, a discussion of the meaning of the "just war," an assessment of how World War I changed the course of Western civilization, and finally two eyewitness accounts of the true horrors of actual combat by

Marcus Luttrell, author of the #1 bestseller Lone Survivor, share war stories about true American heroism from himself and other soldiers who bravely fought alongside him. Navy SEAL Marcus Luttrell returned from his star-crossed mission in Afghanistan with his bones shattered and his heart broken. So many had given their lives to save him -- and he would have readily done the same for them. As he recuperated, he wondered why he and others, from America's founding to today, had been willing to sacrifice everything-including themselves-for the sake of family, nation, and freedom. In Service, we follow Marcus Luttrell to Iraq, where he returns to the battlefield as a member of SEAL Team 5 to help take on the most dangerous city in the world: Ramadi, the capital of war-torn Al Anbar Province. There, in six months of high-intensity urban combat, he would be part of what has been called the greatest victory in the history of U.S. Special Operations forces. We also return to Afghanistan and Operation Redwing, where Luttrell offers powerful new details about his miraculous rescue. Throughout, he reflects on what it really means to take on a higher calling, about the men he's seen lose their lives for their country, and the legacy of those who came and bled before. A thrilling war story, Service is also a profoundly moving tribute to the warrior brotherhood, to the belief that nobody goes it alone, and no one will be left behind.

Comme son nom l'indique, la 1st Marine Division fut la première division du Corps des Marines à avoir été formée. Troupe d'élite entièrement constituée de volontaires, motivés et remarquablement entraînés, elle participa à la plupart des grandes batailles terrestres sur le front du Pacifique. Isolée à Guadalcanal, sa résistance opiniâtre brisa les multiples offensives japonaises et infligea à l'armée impériale nipponne sa première défaite sur un théâtre d'opération terrestre. Elle se battit ensuite en Nouvelle Bretagne, dans la région du Cap Gloucester, où son savoir faire et sa puissance de feu supérieure écrasèrent les forces japonaises qui lui étaient opposées, ces dernières étant réduites à fuir devant la poussée des Leathernecks. On retrouva plus tard la division dans les îles Palaos où elle vécut un véritable enfer à Peleliu face à un ennemi résolu à se battre jusqu'à la mort dans des positions remarquablement préparées à l'avance. Terriblement éprouvée, elle fit toutefois honneur à sa réputation en cassant la résistance fanatique de la 32e armée nipponne à Okinawa en près de deux mois de combats sans pitié. Elle termina donc la guerre invaincue et fut récompensée par l'attribution de vingt-deux médailles d'honneur du Congrès, plus que toute autre division américaine au cours du conflit, et par de nombreuses citations. Il n'est pas exagéré de la qualifier de meilleure division de toute l'armée américaine et, au travers de cet ouvrage, le lecteur pourra découvrir les innombrables faits d'armes et l'expertise tactique qui l'auront caractérisée dans la campagne du Pacifique.

A former member of the First Marine Division gives a front line description of two World War II Pacific campaigns.

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