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the 40th anniversary edition of the classic vietnam memoir featured in the pbs documentary series the vietnam war by ken burns and lynn novick with a new foreword by kevin powers in march of 1965 lieutenant philip j caputo landed at danang with the first ground combat unit deployed to vietnam sixteen months later having served on the line in one of modern history s ugliest wars he returned home physically whole but emotionally wasted his youthful idealism forever gone a rumor of war is far more than one soldier s story upon its publication in 1977 it shattered america s indifference to the fate of the men sent to fight in the jungles of vietnam in the years since then it has become not only a basic text on the vietnam war but also a renowned classic in the literature of wars throughout history and as the author writes of the things men do in war and the things war does to them heartbreaking terrifying and enraging it belongs to the literature of men at war los angeles times book review

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the first memoir of the vietnam war and an all time classic of war literature 40th anniversary edition in march 1965 marine lieutenant philip j caputo landed in danang with the first ground combat unit committed to fight in vietnam sixteen months later having served on the line in one of modern history s ugliest wars he returned home physically whole but emotionally destroyed his youthful idealism shattered a decade later having reported first hand the very final hours of the war caputo sat down to write simply a story about war about the things men do in war and the things war does to them it is widely regarded as one of the greatest war memoirs of all time a singular and marvellous work a soldier s eye account that tells us as no other book that i can think of has done what it was actually like to be fighting in this hellish jungle the new york times unparalleled in its honesty unapologetic in its candour and singular in its insights into the minds and hearts of men in combat this book is as powerful to read today as the day it was published in 1977 caputo has more than earned his place beside sassoon owen vonnegut and heller kevin powers to call this the best book about vietnam is to trivialize it a rumour of war is a dangerous and even subversive book the first to insist that readers asks themselves the questions how would i have acted to what lengths would i have gone to survive a terrifying book it will make the strongest among us weep los angeles times book review caputo s troubled searching meditations on the love and the hate of war on fear and the ambivalent discord warfare can create in the hearts of decent men are amongst the most eloquent i have read in modern literature new york review of books superb at times it is hard to remember that this is not a novel new statesman

Rumor of War Teacher's Guide 2001

the elders could see nothing but smoke until they turned the corner onto the street where the fire was and then both of them stopped the synagogue elder thomas said it had never occurred to him that anyone even the nazis would do such a thing elder thomas got his camera out he snapped the shot but then heard someone say in german what are you doing there he tucked the camera inside his coat under his arm he tried to appear normal but his heart was suddenly beating hard a man was crossing the narrow street and coming toward them making pictures the man asked as he walked closer elder thomas took a better look he saw what he feared the black uniform with silver trim and braided hat gestapo elder alex thomas wants only to teach the gospel to the people of germany but it soon becomes obvious that he will never complete his mission war is coming and that will affect not only elder thomas but also his family back home in salt lake city in the family is wally elder thomas s younger brother who usually just wants of have a good time but lately doesn t seem to care much about anything there s his sister bobbi who is supposed to marry phil clark the most eligible bachelor in the salt lake valley the problem is she can t ignore her attraction to dr stinson a university of utah professor who s not a member of the church and there are elder thomas s parents d alexander thomas stake president and his wife bea who want their children to be true to the values and ideals they ve taught them but president and sister thomas are finding they can t just tell their children what to do anymore and they re worried about what will happen when the united states enters a war that no one seems able to stop in rumors of war the first volume of the series children of the promise author dean hughes recreates the era of world war ii in stunning detail but more than that he shows how the war affects an ordinary family of latter day saints if you re interested in church or world history or if you re simply looking for a powerful lds novel you w

Rumors of War 2005-05-01

this provocative and unique work reveals the remarkably influential role of futuristic literature on contemporary political power in america tracing this phenomenon from its roots in victorian britain rumors of war and infernal machines offers a fascinating exploration of how fictional speculations on emergent or imaginary military technologies profoundly influence the political agendas and actions of modern superpower states gannon convincingly demonstrates that military fiction anticipated and even influenced the evolution of the tank the development of the airplane and also the bitter political battles within britain s war office and the admiralty in the united states future fictions and cold war thrillers were an officially acknowledged factor in the pentagon s research and development agendas and often gave rise and shape to the nation s strategic development of technologies as diverse as automation atomic weaponry aerospace vehicles and the strategic defense initiative star wars his book reveals a striking relationship between the increasing political influence of speculative military fiction and the parallel rise of superpower states and their technocentric ideologies with its detailed political historical and literary analysis of u s and british fascination with hi tech warfare this lively and revealing study will appeal to students literary and cultural scholars military and history enthusiasts and general readers

Rumors of War and Infernal Machines 2005-08-11

the persian gulf war interrupts the construction of ilene and philip singleton s new home separated by desert storm they are powerless to control the global events that are seeping into their lives as an international banking scandal converges upon this seemingly ordinary family in northern minnesota rumors of war web site

Rumors of War 1999-12

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there is talk of war is it only rumors the kingdoms of east and west moon are prosperous ruled by two brothers but king rain is discontent he listens to a rumor he rushes to war his brother king cloud raises his army in response neither ruler hears the small questions the young voices that call for caution for reason for time on the battlefield all will be decided but who stands between the armies a line of children their voices will be heard

Rumors of War 2023-12

in this startling new work of fiction the acclaimed author of a rumor of war creates three powerful dramas of dislocation following his characters places they have no business being and into situations that are vastly and dangerously beyond their depth in the connecticut suburbs a motherless young man suddenly becomes the beneficiary of a wealthy older couple whose generosity has unsuspected motives and a sinister price on an island in australia s torres strait an enigmatic castaway throws kinks into the local culture and sexual politics and in the jungles of vietnam four american soldiers undertake a mystical search for a man eating tiger filled with atmospheric tension crackling with psychological observation and evoking masters from joseph conrad to robert stone exiles is a riveting literary experience

Exiles 2009-09-30

after the collapse of civilization military governments fight for control of a fractured world sergeant brian burke a team leader of the coloradans army directs his soldiers through a mop up of old francisco which has devolved into gang warfare between criminals rogue police officers and remainders of what s left of the national guard separated from his unit burke is contacted by a mysterious group of survivors who inform him that he is the mystical soldier who is destined to find the deck const a talisman that may reunite the world in peace again but someone else is searching for the deck const too and burke may have to unite the world defeating its many armies just to find it before it s lost forever book one rumors of war covers the mop up of old francisco and the start of burke s mission to seek out the deck const

Rumors of War 2014-08-06

war and rumors of war begins with the death of carter lung s wife samantha a close friend marty and carter s lawyer greg simon a year after the death of his wife and friends he is asked to go on a special mission to eradicate a drug and weapons camp in brazil led by the russians and cubans bill eizen the leader of the special operations group puts together a team of carter s former army ranger buddies their mission succeeds but it also inadvertently causes a major nuclear confrontation among the world s super powers a confrontation that no one wants and one that all the nations try their utmost to prevent

War and Rumors of War 2004-05

the gulf war and its aftermath have testified once again to the significance placed on the meanings and images of vietnam by us media and culture almost two decades after the end of hostilities the vietnam war remains a dominant moral political and military touchstone in american cultural consciousness vietnam war stories provides a comprehensive critical framework for understanding the vietnam experience vietnam narratives and modern war literature the narratives examined personal accounts as well as novels portray a soldier s and a country s journey from pre war innocence through battlefield experience and consideration to a difficult post war adjustment tobey herzog places these narratives within the context of important cultural and literary themes including inherent ironies of war the john wayne syndrome of pre war innocence and the heavy heart of darkness trip of the conflict itself

Vietnam War Stories 1992

winner of the overseas press club cornelius ryan award john laurence covered the vietnam war for cbs news from its early days through the bloody battle of hue in 1968 to the cambodian invasion he was judged by his colleagues to be the best television reporter of the war however the traumatic stories laurence covered became a personal burden that he carried long after the war was over in this evocative unflinching memoir laced with humor anger love and the unforgettable story of mé a cat rescued from the battle of hue laurence recalls coming of age during the war years as a journalist and as a man along the way he clarifies the murky history of the war and the role that journalists played in altering its course the cat from huéi has earned passionate acclaim from many of the most renowned journalists and writers about the war as well as from military officers and war veterans book reviewers and readers this book will stand with michael herr s dispatches philip caputo s a rumor of war and neil sheehan s a bright shining lie as one of the best books ever written about vietnam and about war generally

The Cat From Hue 2008-08-05

catholic pacifists blame the just war tradition of their church that tradition they say can be invoked to justify any war and so it must be jettisoned this book argues that the problem is not the just war tradition but the unjust war tradition ambitious rulers start wars that cannot be justified and yet warriors continue to fight them the problem is the belief that warriors do not hold any responsibility for judging the justice of the wars they are ordered to fight however unjust a command renders any war just for the obedient warrior this book argues that selective conscientious objection the right and duty to refuse to fight unjust wars is the solution strengthening the just war tradition depends on a heightened role for the personal conscience of the warrior that in turn depends on a heightened role for the church in forming and supporting consciences and judging the justice of particular wars as saint augustine wrote the wise man will wage just wars for unless the wars were just he would not have to wage them and in such circumstances he would not be involved in war at all

Reconnecting 1993

in beyond the quagmire thirteen scholars from across disciplines provide a series of provocative important and timely essays on the politics combatants and memory of the vietnam war americans believed that they were supposed to win in vietnam as veteran and pulitzer prize winning author philip caputo observed in a rumor of war we carried along with our packs and rifles the implicit convictions that the viet cong would be quickly beaten and that we were doing something altogether noble and good by 1968 though vietnam looked less like world war ii s triumphant march and more like the brutal and costly stalemate in korea during that year the united states paid dearly as nearly 17 000 perished fighting in a foreign land against an enemy that continued to frustrate them indeed as caputo noted we kept the packs and rifles the convictions we lost it was a time of deep introspection as questions over the legality of american involvement political dishonesty civil rights counter cultural ideas and american overreach during the cold war congealed in one place vietnam just as americans fifty years ago struggled to understand the nation s connection to vietnam scholars today across disciplines are working to come to terms with the long and bloody war its politics combatants and how we remember it the essays in beyond the quagmire pose new questions offer new answers and establish important lines of debate regarding social political military and memory studies the book is organized in three parts part 1 contains four chapters by scholars who explore the politics of war in the vietnam era in part 2 five contributors offer chapters on vietnam combatants with analyses of race gender environment and chinese intervention part 3 provides four innovative and timely essays on vietnam in history and memory in sum beyond the quagmire pushes the interpretive boundaries of america s involvement in vietnam on the battlefield and off and it will play a significant role in reshaping and reinvigorating vietnam war historiography

Preventing Unjust War 2020-12-15

in the decades since the vietnam war veteran memoirs have influenced americans understanding of the conflict yet few historians or literary scholars have scrutinized how the genre has shaped the nation's collective memory of the war and its aftermath instead veterans accounts are mined for colorful quotes and then dropped from public discourse are accepted as factual sources with little attention to how memory no matter how authentic can diverge from events or are not contextualized in terms of the race gender or class of the narrators veteran narratives and the collective memory of the vietnam war is a landmark study of the cultural heritage of the war in vietnam as presented through the experience of its american participants crossing disciplinary borders in ways rarely attempted by historians john a wood unearths truths embedded in the memoirists treatments of combat the vietnamese people race relations in the united states military male female relationships in the war zone and veterans postwar troubles he also examines the publishing industry s influence on collective memory discussing for example the tendency of publishers and reviewers to privilege memoirs critical of the war veteran narratives is a significant and original addition to the literature on vietnam veterans and the conflict as a whole

Beyond the Quagmire 2019-03-15

remé descartes is best known as the man who coined the phrase i think therefore i am but though he is remembered most as a thinker descartes the man was no disembodied mind theorizing at great remove from the worldly affairs and concerns of his time far from it as a young nobleman descartes was a soldier and courtier who took part in some of the greatest events of his generation a man who would not seem out of place in the pages of the three musketeers in the young descartes harold j cook tells the story of a man who did not set out to become an author or philosopher descartes began publishing only after the age of forty rather for years he traveled throughout europe in diplomacy and at war he was present at the opening events of the thirty years war in central europe and northern italy and was also later involved in struggles within france enduring exile scandals and courtly intrigue on his journeys descartes associated with many of the most innovative free thinkers and poets of his day as well as great noblemen noblewomen and charismatic religious reformers in his personal life he expressed love for men as well as women and was accused of libertinism by his adversaries these early years on the move in touch with powerful people and great events and his experiences with military engineering and philosophical materialism all shaped the thinker and philosopher descartes became in exile where he would begin to write and publish with purpose but though it is these writings that made ultimately made him famous the young descartes shows that this story of his early life and the tumultuous times that molded him is sure to spark a reappraisal of his philosophy and legacy

Veteran Narratives and the Collective Memory of the Vietnam War 2016-04-25

after explicitly depicting the horrors of war in war porn and commenting on its absurdity in hello camel christoph bangert now reflects in the third and last volume of this series on his own past and role as a journalist on the front rumors of war is the personal diary of a now former war photographer who dares to admit that he misses the war and now has to find a way to cope with peace

The Young Descartes 2018-03-28

a classic novel of vietnam and its aftermath from philip caputo whose pulitzer prize winning memoir a rumor of war is widely considered among the best ever written about the experience of war at thirty three nick delcorso is an award winning war photographer who has seen action and dodged bullets all over the world most notably in vietnam where he served as an army photographer and recorded combat scenes whose horrors have not yet faded in his memory when he is called back to vietnam on assignment during a north vietnamese attempt to take saigon he is faced with a defining choice should he honor the commitment he has made to his wife not to place himself in any more danger for the sake of his career or follow his ambition back to the war torn land that still haunts his dreams what follows is a riveting story of war on two fronts saigon and beirut that will test delcorso s faith not only in himself but in the nobler instincts of men

Christoph Bangert 2021-08

out of the frying pan tom thrush thinks basic officer training is tough until he joins the frigate kestrel and finds out what tough really means the crew resents him the first officer is actively hostile as the ship hunts pirates in deep space tom struggles to fit in and wonders if things can get any worse they can and into the fire of interstellar war a devastating attack leaves the ship crippled with half the crew dead or dying the senior officers are wiped out leaving a terrified sublicutenant in the last place he wants to be in command

DelCorso's Gallery 2012-06-13

the author of a rumor of war recounts his harrowing tales of life as a foreign correspondent see quote

Rumors of War 2018-03-28

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Means of Escape 1992-08-28

philip caputo s major new novel is the spiritual successor to his bestseller a rumor of war and the powerful film platoon to which it has been compared

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philip caputo s tragic and epically ambitious new novel is set in sudan where war is a permanent condition into this desolate theater come aid workers missionaries and mercenaries of conscience whose courage and idealism sometimes coexist with treacherous moral blindness there s the entrepreneurial american pilot who goes from flying food and medicine to smuggling arms the kenyan aid worker who can t help seeing the tawdry underside of his enterprise and the evangelical christian who comes to sudan to redeem slaves and falls in love with a charismatic rebel commander as their fates intersect and our understanding of their characters deepens it becomes apparent that acts of faith is one of those rare novels that combine high moral seriousness with irresistible narrative wizardry

Indian Country 1988

the cold war and the origins of american involvement in vietnam recruitment training and assignment for the war in vietnam assignment vietnam and life in the field fighting in vietnam soldiers issues in the vietnam war and afterward

Rumors of War 2010-09-30

Acts of Faith 2006-05-09

The Vietnam War 2007-09-30

in this startling new work of fiction the acclaimed author of a rumor of war has created three powerful dramas of dislocation following his characters into situations that are vastly and dangerously beyond their depth

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Exiles 1998-05-01

History of the Celebration of the Fifieth Anniversary of the Taking Possession of California and Raising of the American Flag at Monterey, Cal., by Commodore John Drake Sloat, U.S.N., July 7th, 1846 1896

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