The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders: A Gripping Account of World War I

The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders is a gripping account of World War I from the perspective of the 85th Infantry Division. This book offers a unique and personal glimpse into the lives of the soldiers who fought in this devastating conflict.

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The 85th Infantry Division was an American Expeditionary Force (AEF) unit that fought on the Western Front from 1918 to 1919. The division was composed of men from all walks of life, including farmers, factory workers, and college students. These men were united by their common goal of defeating the German Empire.

The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders follows the division from its arrival in France to its participation in the major battles of the war, including the Argonne Forest and the Meuse-Argonne Offensive. The book provides a detailed account of the fighting, as well as the personal experiences of the soldiers.

The Fighting

The fighting on the Western Front was some of the most brutal and bloody in history. The trenches were a constant source of danger, and the soldiers were constantly exposed to enemy fire. The fighting was also extremely close-quarters, and the soldiers often had to fight hand-to-hand.

The 85th Infantry Division was involved in some of the heaviest fighting of the war. The division participated in the Battle of Saint-Mihiel, the Argonne Forest, and the Meuse-Argonne Offensive. The division also played a major role in the breaking of the Hindenburg Line, which was the last major German defensive line.

The fighting was extremely costly for the 85th Infantry Division. The division suffered over 7,000 casualties, including over 1,500 killed in action. The division's losses were a testament to the ferocity of the fighting on the Western Front.

The Personal Experiences

The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders not only provides a detailed account of the fighting, but it also offers a unique glimpse into the personal experiences of the soldiers. The book includes letters, diaries, and interviews with the soldiers, which provide a firsthand account of their thoughts and feelings during the war.

The soldiers' experiences were often harrowing. They witnessed the horrors of war firsthand, and they often had to deal with the death of their

friends and comrades. However, the soldiers also found moments of hope and camaraderie in the midst of the chaos.

The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders is a powerful and moving account of World War I. The book offers a unique and personal glimpse into the lives of the soldiers who fought in this devastating conflict.

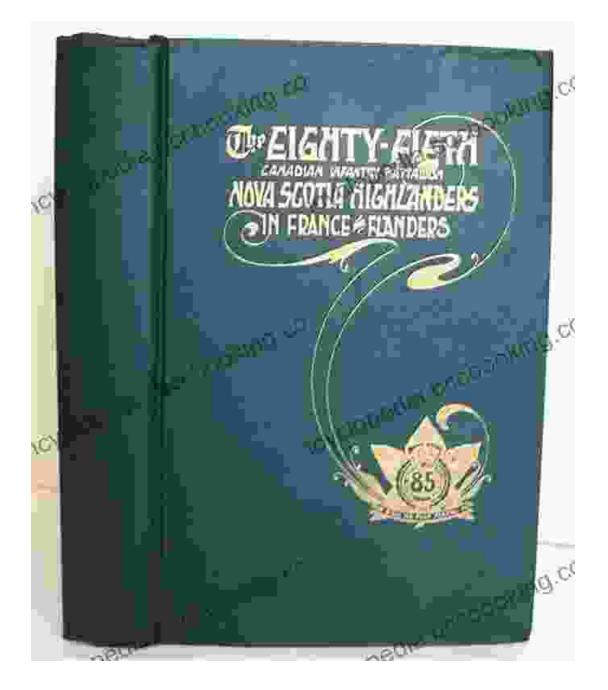
The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders is a must-read for anyone interested in World War I. The book provides a gripping account of the fighting, as well as the personal experiences of the soldiers. The book is a testament to the courage and sacrifice of the men who fought in this devastating conflict.

About the Author

The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders was written by Henry J. Reilly. Reilly was a member of the 85th Infantry Division, and he served on the Western Front from 1918 to 1919. After the war, Reilly returned to the United States and worked as a journalist. He wrote The Eighty Fifth in France and Flanders in 1937.

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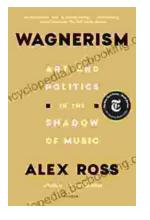
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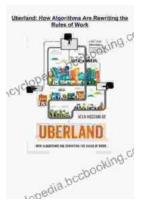
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