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A Choice of Weapons 2010

gordon parks s spectacular rise from poverty personal hardships and outright racism is astounding and inspiring from the foreword by wing young huie

The M16 2011-12-20

the m16 was first introduced in 1958 and was revolutionary for its time as it was made of lightweight materials including special aluminum and plastics it was first adopted by us special forces and airborne troops in 1962 before it was issued to army and marine units serving in vietnam its use spread throughout the following decades and a number of variants including submachine and carbine versions were also fielded as a result it is now amongst the three most used combat cartridges in the world while over 10 million m16s and variants have been produced making it one of the most successful american handheld weapons in history but despite its undeniable success the m16 is not without its detractors indeed the black rifle as it is known is one of the most controversial rifles ever introduced with a long history of design defects ruggedness issues cleaning difficulties and reliability problems leading to endless technical refinements this volume provides a technical history of the m16 and the struggle to perfect it together with an assessment of its impact on the battlefield drawing on over a decade s combat experience with the rifle

The Bazooka 2012-06-20

most belligerents entering world war ii armed their infantry with bulky and ineffectual anti tank rifles as their primary means of combating tanks us planners realized that what infantrymen needed was a
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relatively lightweight man portable anti tank weapon that was simple to operate accurate and capable of knocking out the average tank at a reasonable range while also being effective against fortified buildings pillboxes and personnel in the open the bazooka combined a revolutionary new anti tank rifle grenade warhead a much modified british anti aircraft rocket motor and a cobbled together launcher tube and electrical firing system its first test firing astounded observers and it was immediately adopted by the us armed forces featuring specially drawn colour artwork this engaging study tells the story of the bazooka which set the standard for future light anti tank weapons and their ammunition and was a key influence on anti tank tactics and techniques in the post war era

The Hidden Weapon 1947

a detailed fully illustrated study of the most recognizable assault rifle ever produced the kalashnikov ak 47 is the most ubiquitous assault rifle in the world with more ak 47s and its variants in use than any other individual small arm created by senior sergeant mikhail kalashnikov and first adopted by the ussr soon after world war ii its production continues to this day with an estimated 75 million produced worldwide supported by photographs and original artwork this book takes a look at the complete history of the weapon discussing its design development and usage taking its story from the great armies of the soviet union to the insurgents and criminal gangs that often employ the weapon today

News is a Weapon 1942

mr greer reviews the very sporadic appearance of new weapons of war during the first three millennia of recorded military history he contrasts this with the increasing frequency of new weapons

in the most recent two centuries and the short time generally taken to develop those later weapons the increased pace of technology improvement in several important categories of weapons is discussed and the sequence is concluded by a review of an extremely long development period of a recent weapon the osprey

The AK-47 2011-05-03

osprey s new weapon series provides a highly detailed yet affordable overview of the development use and impact of small arms throughout history from the sword to the machine gun learn the surprising truths behind one of modern warfare s most popular and controversial firearms developed immediately after world war ii 1939 1945 the rpg series have proved to be simple flexible and powerful devices which have had an impact far beyond original expectations track its development and deployment firsthand from the vietnam hills to the streets of modern baghdad gordon rottman provides a detailed analysis of perhaps one of the most important weapons to be developed in the 20th century he has been at the receiving end of the rpg 2 and rpg 7 as well as firing them himself providing personal testament to the effectiveness with which they accomplished their missions this in depth coverage is well accompanied by ramiro bujeiro s battlescene artwork and tony bryan s cutaway illustrations

***A TALE OF TWO BIRDS* 2009-01-06**

osprey s new weapon series provides a highly detailed yet affordable overview of the development use and impact of small arms throughout history from the sword to the machine gun in this volume gordon rottman examines this history of the longest serving weapon in the u s military s small arms
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inventory thoroughly researched and illustrated with rare photographs and original artwork by johnny shumate the book takes readers from the origins of the fifty on the battlefields of world war i 1914 1918 to its use in the war on terror today rottman provides lists of the companies that manufactured the browning and analyzes the variants that have arisen over the years since it first entered service in 1933 he also provides descriptions and photos of how it was used on aircraft ships riverboats tanks humvees and by ground forces a cutaway illustration from alan gilliland details the parts of the weapon and a final chapter dispels myths told about it

The Rocket Propelled Grenade 2010-09-21

allowing the user to inflict damage on his opponent within throwing range without leaving cover the portable lethally efficient hand grenade is a ubiquitous weapon of modern warfare and has now found its way into law enforcement arsenals too featuring specially commissioned full colour artwork and an array of revealing photographs of grenades in use and in close up this engaging study explores and assesses the origins development combat use and lasting legacy of the formidable military hand grenade

Browning .50-caliber Machine Guns 2010-10-19

when conscription was eliminated in the early 1970s the us army found itself with a very different kind of soldier while the personality of the army remained the same the organization of its higher levels of command and combat formations and the internal structure of its units underwent major changes under the army of excellence program of the 1980s this book explores the us army of the late 80s including the training methods weapon systems reserve components organization and

uniforms of one of the world's most potent fighting forces the text is illustrated with numerous photographs and eight colour plates

The Hand Grenade 2015-02-20

offering a step by step guide through interesting gun facts and statistics gordon rottman presents the book of gun trivia covering a range of subjects such as weapons designations where rifles get their names from the longest serving rifles and everything in between this book brings together everything you ever needed to know about guns and ammunition and much more besides alongside the key facts and figures rottman also breaks apart popular myths and misconceptions about both weapons and ammunition putting his years of military service to good use

Inside the US Army 2012-09-20

this book provides a convenient reference to the history and characteristics of the self loading pistols that were adopted by the military forces of the nations involved in the two world wars it presents a selection of nineteen self loading pistols and the firms engaged in their manufacture during this period together with a technical appraisal of each weapon for each pistol a history of both manufacturer and pistol is provided along with a colour photograph and cutaway views of both the pistol and its breech operation details and cutaway views are also provided for the cartridges used by these pistols all of the weapons illustrated are representative of the pattern issued to the military and in many cases they continued to be produced for the commercial market includes a wealth of technical information and numerous high quality illustrations prepared specially for the book

How to Fight a Cheap War 1991-11

a complete guide to weapons history facts myths and trivia covering everything you wanted to know didn't want to know and you don't know you need to know gordon rottman offers a step by step guide through interesting weapon facts and statistics including a section on ammunition while breaking apart popular myths and misconceptions covering subjects from weapons designations to the longest serving military rifles where rifles get their names from and everything in between osprey is proud to present the big book of gun trivia

The Book of Gun Trivia 2013-10-20

as infantry units advanced across europe the only support they could rely on from day to day was that provided by the heavy weapons of their own units while thundering tanks struck fear into the hearts of their enemies it was the machine guns mortars and light cannon that proved to be most important causing the majority of casualties suffered during world war ii common principles were shared across units but the wide variety of weapons available to the different armies altered the way they were used in battle focusing on the us british german and soviet troops this title offers a comprehensive guide to infantry fire support tactics used through world war ii combat reports are complemented by specially commissioned artwork to show the way in which tactics varied and highlight how developments obliged opposing armies to review their own methods

Choice of Weapons 1966

in an effort to provide the us infantryman with more firepower to cover the range gap between the hand grenade and the light mortar the 40mm m79 grenade launcher a shoulder fired single shot weapon entered service with us forces in 1961 reliable easy to use and lethally effective the m79 soon became an iconic symbol of the vietnam war and had a profound influence on small unit tactics as the vietnam conflict continued it was joined on the front line by experimental models such as the magazine fed t148e1 as well as two launchers intended to be fitted under the barrel of the new m16 assault rifle colt s xm148 and aai corporation s m203 the m203 remains in us army service today while the us marine corps now also fields the m32 multiple grenade launcher like the m79 a standalone weapon featuring full colour artwork this is the story of the rugged and formidable grenade launchers that equipped the united states and its allies in vietnam and beyond from the 1960s to the present day

Military Pistols 2016-10-31

a comprehensive illustrated study of the rpg the rpg series of weapons is the most widely used family of lightweight antitank weapons in the world today rpgs have been used not only against their intended targets but against personnel fortifications buildings soft skin vehicles watercraft and aircraft lightweight relatively compact easy to operate and maintain they meet most of the requirements of any armed group like any weapon system rpgs and their ammunition have their limitations while these limitations are much touted by proponents of more advanced weapons they lose sight of many armed groups requirement for lightweight compact inexpensive easy to operate and maintain weapons most sophisticated weapons tend to be just the opposite heavy cumbersome

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excessively expensive and requiring extensive training and an advanced support infrastructure they are also more difficult to obtain due to export controls and restrictions to be effective an army actually needs a mix of both sophisticated and uncomplicated weapons gordon rottman provides a detailed analysis accompanied by photographs and full colour artwork of perhaps one of the most important weapons to be developed in the 20th century

The Big Book of Gun Trivia 2013-10-20

first adopted in 1917 the rugged and reliable browning 30 caliber machine gun remained in us service into the vietnam era and is still occasionally found in use elsewhere even today produced in both water cooled and air cooled versions it has been employed in every imaginable role for a machine gun antipersonnel anti-aircraft mounted on aircraft as both defensive and offensive armament defensive armament aboard vehicles armored and soft skin mounted on watercraft and others employing gripping first hand testimony and featuring specially commissioned illustrations and detailed photographs many in color this lively study of the browning 30 caliber machine gun reveals the origins combat history and legacy of this versatile and dependable weapon

World War II Infantry Fire Support Tactics 2016-10-20

two of world war ii s most distinctive weapons the panzerfaust and panzerschreck offered german and other infantrymen the ability to destroy enemy tanks singlehandedly at close ranges while the panzerschreck owed its origins largely to the us bazooka the panzerfaust was a revolutionary design that was unlike any previous weapon and went on to influence anti tank technology and tactics for decades after world war ii allied troops notably soviet forces made widespread use of captured

panzerfäuste and they were also supplied to german allies such as finland hungary and bulgaria written by an expert on anti tank warfare this book reveals the fascinating development history of these two feared weapons and assesses the tactics that were employed by the soldiers using them

The Choice of Weapons 1967

examines dod practices in procuring military weapons systems other military hardware and goods and services

US Grenade Launchers 2017-09-21

from radical abolitionist john brown to presidential candidate bob dole to visionary environmentalist wes jackson kansas history is bursting with fascinating stories of individuals who made a difference to the nation and whose lives reveal much about our collective past prominent kansas historian virgil dean has gathered a distinguished team of writers thomas isern craig miner and others who have crafted incisive portraits of 27 notable men and women covering 150 years of kansas and american history here are agitators who moved their fellow citizens to action over political social and economic problems not only john brown but also proslavery agitator william h russell mary elizabeth lease lecturer for the farmers alliance and populist party gerald b winrod a k a the jayhawk hitler and esther brown who challenged segregation in public schools

The Rocket Propelled Grenade 2011-01-01

following churchill s directive to set occupied europe ablaze the soe and later its american sister organization the oss were deployed across the continent outnumbered surrounded and in great peril these brave agents were armed with a wide variety of devices to help them achieve their objectives including numerous pieces of sabotage equipment and cunning booby traps this book examines these different pieces of equipment and the technicalities involved in deploying them effectively as well as discussing the specialist equipment developed by special forces units including the sas lewes bomb touching on some of the stranger developments such as explosives disguised as lumps of coal the author goes on to describe the german clearance techniques that were developed to avoid these dangers complete with specially commissioned artwork and period diagrams together with detailed descriptions of the dangerous missions of allied agents this book is a fascinating insight into the secret war behind enemy lines

Browning .30-caliber Machine Guns 2014-02-20

discover what equipment a gi carried with him during world war ii what he had strapped around his body what it contained and what those items were used for in this highly illustrated book special forces veteran gordon rottman offers a truly comprehensive treatment of u s world war ii gear covering not only basic belts pouches and packs but also mess gear first aid gear tools bivouac camping gear essentially everything that a gi has to keep him alive and operational on the battlefield illustrated with wartime photos new photos of kit from private collections and color images showing both laid out kit and half figures of soldiers wearing the gear this is set to become the primary equipment information resource for anyone interested in the kit and webbing used by u s forces from

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Panzerfaust and Panzerschreck 2014-08-20

when us combat units began arriving in vietnam in mid 1965 they were initially based in coastal cities munitions and supplies were delivered by sea at ports to directly supply the newly arrived forces it was not long before american units began to venture into the countryside to engage the vc in the areas they controlled many of these areas were well inland and forward bases had to be established these bases had to be continuously supplied and required a great deal of tonnage supplies had to be transported overland from the coastal ports of qui nhon and cam ranh bay at bong son an khe pleiku dalat and buon ma thuot later more inland bases were established and more seaports opened the logistical efforts expanded and it became a major effort to run convoys to these bases discover the history of the little known but vitally important improvised vehicles or gun trucks that were developed in theatre in vietnam by the vehicle crews themselves to protect convoys from viet cong ambushes in this highly detailed fully illustrated title from our popular new vanguard series

The Acquisition of Weapons Systems 1973

during the vietnam war the viet cong were frequently unable to hold their own in stand up fights against us and allied forces who were superior in strength firepower mobility and logistics they relied instead on traditional guerrilla warfare tactics including small scale hit and run attacks ambushes terrorist actions and precision attacks against bases these included one of the oldest of guerrilla weapons the boobytrap booby traps could be made in large numbers in village workshops and jungle camps using locally available materials as well as modern munitions the vc were adept at making

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booby traps invisible in the varied terrain of vietnam often emplacing them in locations and surroundings totally unexpected by their enemies booby traps could be incredibly simple or startlingly complex and ingenious ranging from pointed sticks to command detonated submerged floating river mines besides a wide variety of booby traps they also used land and water mines both contact pressure detonated and command detonated between january 1965 and june 1970 11 percent of us troop deaths in action and 17 percent of injuries were by caused booby traps and mines this fascinating title explores not only the wide variety of booby traps employed by the viet cong but also their various uses in halting stalling or locating an enemy and the many evolutions these traps underwent in order to retain the element of surprise written by a vietnam veteran with first hand experience of such traps this is an engaging look at one of the most frightening aspects of guerrilla warfare

John Brown to Bob Dole 2006

the field equipment of the german army in world war ii was closely related to that used throughout world war i and earlier yet it was of relatively light weight ruggedly constructed well designed functional and generally of a high quality though this deteriorated in the later war years a high degree of design standardisation was maintained in most categories of equipment though materials and their colours often varied widely there were also many different specialisations for the various arms of service as well as theatres of combat such as the afrikakorps in the western desert this title investigates all manner of german combat equipments throughout world war ii from belt buckles to magazine pouches

World War II Allied Sabotage Devices and Booby Traps 2013-02-20

the battlefield interaction between infantry and tanks was central to combat on most fronts in world war ii the first blitzkrieg campaigns saw the tank achieve a new dominance new infantry tactics and weapons some of them desperately dangerous had to be adopted while the armies raced to develop more powerful anti tank guns and new light weapons by 1945 a new generation of revolutionary shoulder fired weapons was in widespread use this book explains in detail the shifting patterns of anti tank combat illustrated with photographs diagrams and colour plates showing how weapons were actually employed on the battlefield

World War II US Army Combat Equipments 2016-02-16

whether referred to as web gear the 21 ta50 lbe or lce the american soldier s individual combat equipment was seldom praised except by its developers nevertheless it has always been and will continue to be an essential part of the fighting man s burden with the aid of plenty of contemporary photographs diagrams and eight full page colour plates by osprey veteran ron volstad gordon rottman s text unearths a wealth of information on the changing nature of us combat equipments from 1910 1988

Vietnam Gun Trucks 2011-09-20

over the eight years of the vietnam war us forces used three major types of equipment sets with

numerous modifications for particular circumstances different equipments were also used by special forces the south vietnamese and other allied ground troops vietnam war us allied combat equipments offers a comprehensive examination of the gear that us and allied soldiers had strapped around their bodies what they contained and what those items were used for fully illustrated with photographs and artwork detailing how each piece of equipment was used and written by a special forces veteran of the conflict this book will fascinate enthusiasts of military equipment and will be an ideal reference guide for re enactors modellers and collectors of vietnam war memorabilia

Vietnam War Booby Traps 2020-10-29

weapons of mass destruction are diverse and pose unique challenges to governments attempting to keep them out of the wrong hands and preparing to respond to an attack this text analyzes chemical biological radiological and nuclear cbrn weapons and terrorist groups with a known interest in them it presents accessible information about the technical challenges posed by each type of weapon assesses the threats and reviews the us governmental responses it provides structured cbrn case studies and allows for easy comparison of threats challenges and responses the text combines weapons and policy information in one comprehensive and comparative resource for researchers and students interested in key issues in modern terrorism and international security

Weapons of the WW II Tommy 2011

technē s paradox a frequent theme in science fiction is the commonplace belief that technology has both the potential to annihilate humanity and to preserve it advocating weapons war and terrorism looks at how this paradox applies to some of the most dangerous of technologies population bombs

dynamite bombs chemical weapons nuclear weapons and improvised explosive devices hill s study analyzes the rhetoric used to promote such weapons in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries by examining thomas r malthus s essay on the principle of population the courtroom address of accused haymarket bomber august spies the army textbook chemical warfare by major general amos a fries and clarence j west the life and letters of manhattan project physicist leo szilard and the writings of ted unabomber kaczynski hill shows how contemporary societies are equipped with abundant rhetorical means to describe and debate the extreme capacities of weapons to both destroy and protect the book takes a middle way approach between language and materialism that combines traditional rhetorical criticism of texts with analyses of the persuasive force of weapons themselves as objects irrespective of human intervention advocating weapons war and terrorism is the first study of its kind revealing how the combination of weapons and rhetoric facilitated the magnitude of killing in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and illuminating how humanity understands and acts upon its propensity for violence this book will be invaluable for scholars of rhetoric scholars of science and technology and the study of warfare

German Combat Equipments 1939-45 2013-08-20

youth violence has become a concern as gangs become a popular option for urban children and teenagers and weapons use among young populations becomes more prevalent exploring the psychological motivations and foundations upon which such violence is developed and cultivated can assist in better understanding the modern dilemma of violence weapons use and gang behavior among children teenagers and young adults global perspectives on youth gang behavior violence and weapons use reconsiders the traditional understandings of youth violence in various forms such as gang activities criminal behavior and weapons use focusing on the psychosocial elements of

violence among children teenagers and young adults this timely publication is ideally designed for use by policy makers and government executives professionals educators and graduate level students involved in psychology criminology social work and criminal justice studies

World War II Infantry Anti-Tank Tactics 2013-08-20

the full story on gordon ingram and his machine guns read the details about ingram s revolutionary designs from the model 6 m10 m11 mac rpb and swd it s all here the travels the designs the silencers sionics the international intrigue the characters the deals

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