SNIPING IN FRANCE 1914-18

With Notes on the Scientific Training of Scouts, Observers, and Snipers



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and later in the metropolitan French military as an NCO in Indo China Historian Peter Baxter traces Bokassa's ascent from these humble beginnings to his position as one of the region s most notorious dictators Bokassa s excessive violence and personal aggrandizement are covered as well as the role France played in his rise and fall especially through Jacques Foccart s wide reaching intelligence network Baxter examines France s evolving relationship with her erstwhile African colonial possessions illuminating the underlying cause and effect of the many French interventions. He underscores the roles played by various individual personalities both French and African The book traces the overt and covert French military actions in the region including Operation Barracuda Operations Almandin I II and III Operation Boali and the various regional international and European regional interventions The Advance from Mons, 1914 Walter Bloem, 2004 Here is an outstanding personal memoir penned by a German infantry officer recalling his experiences during the initial days and weeks of the war in the West July September 1914 Walter Bloem was a Captain in the German 12th Grenadier Regiment Royal Prussian Grenadier Regiment Prinz Carl von Preu en 2nd Brandenburg Nr 12 to give his unit its full title His narrative gives a superb insight into the outbreak of war and his regiment's mobilisation followed by the advance through Belgium and France including the author's participation at the battles of Mons Le Cateau the Marne and the Aisne His account of what it was like to face Britain's Old Contemptibles at Mons is particularly valuable Before the war the author was a novelist and The Advance from Mons clearly shows this it is written with a great eye for detail careful yet vivid descriptions abound and importantly from a historical perspective the book was penned whilst Herr Bloem convalesced from a wound he received at the battle of the Aisne Such was the quality of his writing that J E Edmonds the British official historian of the Great War commented Some of the scenes are so truly and vividly depicted that I gave translations of them in the Official History feeling that they could not be bettered Shadows of a Forgotten Past Paul French, 2012-12-19 This all new work chronicles the experiences of Paul French who upon leaving the British Army s 21 SAS V sought adventure and excitement in C Squadron of the Rhodesian SAS Upon passing the arduous Rhodesian SAS selection course Paul was thrown into the maelstrom that was the Rhodesian Bush War Here he participated in the SAS s infamous raid on Joshua Nkomo and numerous other operations against insurgent liberation forces Passing selection for Ron Reid Daly's elite counterinsurgency specialists the Selous Scouts the author took part in externals against FRELIMO and attachments with the Mozambique National Resistance Paul continued to serve on operations with the Rhodesian SAS until the end of the Chimurenga in 1980 Paul then went on to join the South African Defense Force's elite 6 Reconnaissance Commando A career in private security followed with a series of assignments in Angola Iraq and Somalia This impressive book pulls no punches It gives a unique and purposefully opinionated insight into the workings of the Rhodesian SAS and the Selous Scouts It tells of the missions that succeeded and of the many that failed It notes simply and succinctly the sheer stress and danger of special forces operations all of which were deep in enemy held territory with the threat of capture and death Attempts to blow rail lines helicopter assaults pseudo

operations the laying of deadly ambushes and risky parachute inserts are candidly related accompanied by an unparalleled selection of photographs most of which have never been published before Born in West London Paul French first sought military adventure in the County of London Yeomanry and then 21 SAS V Here Paul discovered a yearning for hard work and arduous duty A subsequent defence contract took him to Abu Dhabi where he learnt of Rhodesia and its attractions Holidaying in Rhodesia Paul took the opportunity to join the Rhodesian Army serving with the renowned Rhodesian SAS and Selous Scouts In 1980 Paul moved to the South African Defence Force joining its elite 6 Reconnaissance Commando Upon leaving the SADF a career in private security followed An accomplished skydiver Paul has thousands of jumps to his credit and still jumps today Married to Petah Paul has three children He continues to work in the security industry and now lives in the South west of England Shadows of A Forgotten Past is his first book The Silent General - Horne of the First Army Don Farr, 2007-06-08 Whether or not Henry Sinclair Horne was the silent General he might certainly if he were still alive lay claim to being the forgotten General of the Western Front His self effacement in a profession not renowned for shrinking violets undoubtedly made its contribution to his relative anonymity he wrote no memoirs nor kept anything more than sketchy diaries but it is still surprising that such an important contributor to the defeat of the German army in the Great War has not until now received the attentions of a biographer After a customary slow start in the late Victorian army Henry Horne first made an impact during the Boer War fortuitously as it was to turn out under the eyes of a Colonel Douglas Haig By the outbreak of the Great War Henry Horne was a Brigadier General Two years later he was a full General in command of the BEF s First Army His was one of the most rapid elevations to top rank recorded in the war In the two years he spent as an army commander he commanded the brilliant capture of Vimy Ridge the desperate defensive Battle of the Lys the successful assault on the Drocourt Qu ant Switch the outstanding crossing of the Canal du Nord and the liberation of Douai Cambrai Lens Valenciennes and Mons Napoleon always sought to ensure that his generals were lucky In that respect Henry Horne would have suited him He was lucky in having a long standing close professional relationship with the Commander in Chief FM Haig in having under his command at First Army the elite Canadian Corps and some distinguished British divisions and in having as his Chief of Staff one of the outstanding staff officers of the war But there was more to Henry Horne than just luck This belated biography assesses Henry Horne's relationship with Haig and the Canadian Corps It also evaluates his contribution to the technical advances of the artillery during the war and describes the battles which he conducted It attempts to accord to Henry Horne the recognition and credit that he deserves but which has for so long been withheld

Brown Waters of Africa John P. Cann,2013-12-19 During World War II Portugal played its cards uncommonly well as a neutral and subsequently became a member of NATO This membership resulted in a modernizing of its navy and its integration into the Atlantic Alliance By 1960 when other colonial powers were abandoning their empires Portugal made the decision to cling to its possessions as they had been Portuguese for over 400 years Without them Portugal saw itself as only a

small European country whereas with them it would be a great nation Portugal ultimately would fight a 13 year debilitating war against various nationalist movements in Africa to retain its possessions By the mid 1950s it became apparent to the Portuguese Navy that it would fight in Africa and it began to make preparations Ultimately it would perform a near wholesale conversion from the blue water or oceanic navy that supported NATO to a brown water or riverine one to fight in Africa This is the story of that conversion and the great battle of the rivers in Africa This naval reorientation was a remarkable achievement in that Portugal not only learned to fight a new kind of war it built a navy to accomplish this and did so while shouldering its NATO commitments The Portuguese Navy in developing a specialized naval force clearly foresaw the paramount economic military and psychological importance of controlling the interior waterways of Africa for the infrastructure there was universally primitive While there was generally a road network radiating from the colonial capital the primary routes used clandestinely by insurgents were chiefly the waterways The job of the navy was to foreclose enemy use of these lines of communication and this it did with great success The lessons from this experience tend to be forgotten as this war was overshadowed by the U S conflict in Vietnam Today however riverine operations are experiencing a renaissance in reaction to the war of the weak While modern boats are more technologically advanced and their crews use newer and better equipment and weapons the problems and their solutions remain largely the same The operating environment remains the rivers bayous salt pans canals lakes and deltas extending inland from the coast The population remains a vulnerable target and the need to establish a permissive environment continues as the primary goal Clearly the legacy of the Portuguese brown water navy remains relevant today Franco-Prussian War 1870-1871, Volume 1 Quintin Barry, 2007-03-19 The first volume of this comprehensive study of the Franco Prussian War presents a detailed account of Germany Confederation's decisive victory over France In the first part of this two volume military history Quintin Barry examines the war against the French Imperial Army waged by the armies of the German Confederation directed by that supreme military mind Helmuth von Moltke Barry places Moltke and his strategic planning in the context of the European balance of power following the ending of the Austria Prussian War in 1866 He then explores the initial mobilization and deployment of the armies in 1870 All the battles of this opening round of the war are described in detail including Weissenburg Worth Spicheren Borny Colombey Mars la Tour Gravelotte Beaumont and of course Sedan The book ends as the Second Empire of Napoleon III lies defeated crushed by the German armies Barry has made full use of an extensive number of German and French language sources His detailed text is accompanied by a number of black and white illustrations and newly drawn battle maps Orders of battle are also provided Frontline and Experimental Flying With the Fleet Air Arm Geoffrey Higgs, 2020-01-24 The first Royal Navy pilot to fly transatlantic non stop in a Buccaneer describes his thirty five year career in the Fleet Air Arm and as an Empire Test Pilot The spectacle of Alan Cobham's Flying Circus and the Fleet at anchor in Weymouth inspired the author's lifelong passion for aeroplanes flying and the Royal Navy World War Two provided the

opportunity to fulfil his ambition and at eighteen he volunteered for the Fleet Air Arm as a pilot Training in Canada began a Naval flying career that spanned thirty years Front line squadron service embarked on aircraft carriers was followed by qualification as a flying instructor Selection for the Empire Test Pilots School at Farnborough and qualification as an experimental Test Pilot changed the direction of his naval career In all he flew nearly one hundred types of aircraft and carried out close to a thousand deck landings Initial flight testing of several new naval aircraft as well as research flying in support of the development of aircraft such as the English Electric Lightning and Concorde added to a unique career Such a long and varied period of flying was not without the inevitable mishaps A near catastrophic catapult launch of a new naval aircraft the jamming of the power control system in a research aircraft and hazardous flying through tropical storms at supersonic speeds to determine safety factors for Concorde s intended Far East route were some of the dangers of flying at the cutting edge As pilot he flew the first Royal Naval aircraft to cross the Atlantic non stop without in flight refuelling or navigational aids He describes the fascinating ten day flight from Croydon to Rangoon across Europe the Middle East Pakistan and India to deliver a Percival Provost trainer to the Burmese Air Force Praise for Frontline and Experimental Flying with the Fleet Air Arm Follow Higgs from one cockpit conference room country to another You ll be as surprised as he is that he lived to tell about some of these adventures Speedreaders This hefty book chronicles a life crammed with flying all types of aircraft mostly shipboard and the inevitable mishaps A good read particularly for those of us who soak up anything to do with ships and aircraft The shipboard accounts of catapult trials amongst other sections are gripping and the times in Singapore and the Far East add to the appeal as do the various accounts of life alongside the Americans Geoffrey Higgs flew nearly 100 different types of aircraft in his career and his love of flying shines through the pages Alan Rawlinson **August** 1914 John Hutton, 2011-02-23 The great retreat of the British Expeditionary Force from Mons in August 1914 is one of the most famous in military history and it is justly celebrated But not all the British soldiers who were forced back by the German offensive performed well Two colonels Elkington and Mainwaring tried to surrender rather than fight on and were disgraced This is their story In this compelling account John Hutton shows in graphic detail the full confusion of the retreat and the dire mental state to which brave men can be reduced by extreme stress uncertainty and fatigue But he also describes how Elkington redeemed himself He joined the French Foreign Legion fought gallantly was severely wounded and was reinstated by King George V His is one of the more remarkable stories to come out of the Great War as is the story of the attempted surrender at St Quentin itself Flying for Freedom Alois Siska, 2008-10-30 Alois Siska was born in Czechoslovakia and learnt to fly He escaped to the UK after the German invasion and joined the R A F He describes his experiences flying Wellington bombers In December 1943 he was shot down and he and surviving members of the crew were adrift in the North Sea for 7 days in appalling conditions Picked up by the Germans he underwent surgery to his badly wounded legs and became a POW He suffered at the hands of the Gestapo and was held in numerous camps including Colditz His injuries were

so extensive that he was put under the care of Archibald McIndoe Siska chose to return to his native country to join their air force but fell foul of the Communist authorities His persecution is described in the closing chapters His rank was restored only in 1991 on the collapse of the Communist regime Despite his injuries he remained active until 2003 when he died just short of his 90th birthday He was as an active member of the Czech Ex R A F Association the R A F Benevolent Fund in his country and the Sue Ryder Homes for which he raised considerable funds His death was marked with a fly past of the Czech Air Force and he was posthumously awarded the highest military decoration The Order of the White Lion Pedigree Frank Edwards, 2012-09-04 When competition at a British dog show turns deadly it s up to Inspector Yale to sniff out a killer in this whodunit perfect for Agatha Christie fans For professional dog breeders across the United Kingdom competition is everything If your prized pooch wins Best in Show you can fetch a fine price for her pups Ambrose Graveney has long been a fixture on the qualifying circuit hoping to make it to the ultimate contest Crufts But it becomes painfully clear that Ambrose won t be moving on this season or ever again for that matter when the old man's lifeless body suddenly slumps over on the bench where he sits awaiting his entrant s turn Insp Simon Yale is dispatched to investigate what initially appears to be a natural death But Yale suspects something more sinister is afoot in this dog eat dog world full of desperate hopes and old grudges At once an intriguing puzzle and a fascinating look inside the world of show dog competitions Frank Edwards s A Question of Pedigree will delight mystery lovers and dog fans alike Rays of the Rising Sun John Berger, Philip Jowett, 2013-01-19 The first of a three volume series examining the history of Chinese puppet soldiers fighting for the Japanese before and during World War II When the Japanese Empire went to war with the Allies in December 1941 it had already been fighting in China for 10 years During that time it had conquered huge areas of China and subjugated millions of people The Japanese needed to control the Chinese population in these occupied territories and for this reason they set up governments from amongst the leaders of the Chinese who were willing to co operate with them These so called puppet governments were designed to rule on behalf of the Japanese while firmly under their control In turn the puppet governments needed their own armed forces to help them maintain control over the populace and so they raised their own independent armed forces These puppet armies were in large number reaching a total of well over 1 million before 1945 Although poorly armed and equipped these forces had an influence on the Japanese war effort through sheer numbers The Chinese puppet soldiers ranged from the well drilled and trained regular Army of the Last Emperor of China Pu Yi who ruled the newly formed state of Manchukuo 1932 45 to the irregular Mongol cavalry who served alongside Japanese troops in the secret war waged in the Mongolian hinterlands The troops were dismissed as traitors by the Chinese fighting the Japanese and they were equally despised by the Japanese themselves The troops were motivated by a range of reasons from simple survival to a loyalty to their commander The fact that so many Chinese were willing to fight for the Japanese was embarrassing to all sides and for this reason has been largely ignored in previous histories of the war in the East In the first

of a three volume series Philip Jowett tells the story of the Chinese who fought for the Japanese over a fourteen year period Inside the Regiment Carole Divall, 2011-06-13 In this companion volume to her pioneering study Redcoats Against Napoleon Carole Divall tells the fascinating inside story of a typical infantry regiment during the Revolutionary and Napoleonic wars Rather than focusing on the history of the 30th Regiment of the Line in action and on campaign she explores its organization traditions and hierarchy its personnel and the ethos that held it together Using primary source material in particular surviving regimental records War Office documents letters and journals Divall reconstructs the life of the 30th Foot and the lives of the men who served in it during a critical period in Europes military history **Gunner** Bruno Friesen, 2008-02-19 An insider s account of training and service in Nazi Germany s twenty fifth Panzer Regiment during World War II There are few memoirs available of German Panzer crews that focus on the climactic last 12 months of the war on the Eastern Front 1944 45 What makes Bruno Friesen's account virtually unique is his family background his parents came from a German speaking Mennonite community in Ukraine and were to all intents and purposes culturally German To make matters even more complex in 1924 his parents left the Ukraine for Canada where Bruno was born In March 1939 he and his brother Oscar found themselves on a ship bound for Bremerhaven in Germany He barely spoke German and had never been to Germany nevertheless his father envisaged that a better life awaited them in the Third Reich Needless to say Bruno became caught up in the Second World War and in 1942 was drafted into the Wehrmacht The author provides a full account of his family background and how through these unusual circumstances he found himself a Canadian born German soldier The bulk of the book is a detailed account of the author's training and his subsequent service with 25th Panzer Regiment part of 7th Panzer Division As the title suggests Bruno Friesen served as a gunner aboard initially Panzer IVs before crewing the lesser known Jagdpanzer IV tank hunter The author provides a fantastic amount of information about these two vehicles and how the crews actually fought in battle with them This kind of hands on detail has almost never been available before particularly such extensive information concerning the characteristics and combat performance of the Jagdpanzer IV Apart from providing a large fund of information about specific German tanks and their combat performance the author writes in great detail about the combat the experienced on the Eastern Front including tank battles in Rumania spring 1944 Lithuania in the summer of 1944 and West Prussia during early 1945 If one wants to know how German tank crews fought the Soviets in the last year of the war then this book provides an outstanding account containing material simply not found elsewhere The author closes his account by reflecting on his post war efforts to return to Canada which eventually succeeded in 1950 and his subsequent life there This book is not just a critique of armored fighting vehicles and tank warfare it is above all a very human story told in a lively conversational and fluid manner and is a remarkable contribution to the literature of the Second World War The Gaysh Frank Edwards, 2006-10-31 The Gaysh tells the story of the emergence of an army following early attempts to protect the trade routes in and through Aden From the first

commercial treaty with the Abdali Sultan in 1802 various efforts were made to avoid looting leading to the annexing of Aden Port by the East India Company in 1839 It was not until the Turks threatened to invade in the First World War that a regular army unit was formed The 1st Yemen Infantry did not see action and there was a move on financial grounds to disband it in 1928 Because a need remained the decision was taken to replace its policing role by airpower supported by a small force of levies to defend the bases including a camel corps The book takes that story on chronologically through the Aden Protectorate Levies growing strength and its relationship with the British Government and its policies It includes its part in the Silver Jubilee celebration parade in 1935 pre 1939 military operations its role in WWII its involvement in the evacuation of the Jews following the Arab Jewish riots in Crater in 1947 and on to the creation of the Federation and the withdrawal of the British Army in 1967 **Silent General** Don Farr, 2007 This biography assesses Henry Horne's relationship with Haig and the Canadian Corps It also evaluates his contribution to the technical advances of the artillery during the war and describes the battles which he conducted It attempts to accord to Henry Horne the recognition and credit that he deserves but which has been withheld Whether or not Henry Sinclair Horne was the silent General he might lay claim to being the forgotten General of the Western Front His self effacement in a profession not renowned for shrinking violets undoubtedly made its contribution to his relative anonymity he wrote no memoirs nor kept anything more than sketchy diaries Citizen Old Soldier". From boyhood in Antrim to Hell on the Somme David Truesdale, 2012-08-19 For almost 43 years three school notebooks lay in obscurity in the County Armagh home of sixty two year old James McRoberts The closely filled pages recorded just over two years in his life in uniform as he played his part in what was then known as the Great War During the Home Rule crisis of 1914 one of several in Ireland's history James McRoberts like many other men joined the Young Citizen Volunteers an organization that eventually became the 14th Royal Irish Rifles a battalion of the 36th Ulster Division These notebooks written at the time and with footnotes added some forty years later record his Army service between 8 January 1915 and 3 April 1917 They tell with remarkable immediacy of his time at Randalstown County Antrim and the move to Seaford in East Sussex From here after further training James moved with his Battalion to the trenches of the Western Front Written with a degree of humor and some detail his story covers the mundane routine of camp life recreation behind the lines the horrors of enemy shelling the deaths of good friends and the momentous events of 1 July 1916 on the Somme when his unit was in the thick of the action On 1 November 1917 while acting as a scout for a night patrol at Messines Ridge James was seriously wounded and evacuated to hospital for him the War was over Nevertheless he continued to record what was happening around him both with humour and in detail Classed as 80% disabled he was eventually discharged and returned home to enjoy a postwar career as a surveyor in County Armagh This is a remarkable memoir that is by turns lively candid humorous poignant and above all a window into the world of an Ulsterman who found himself both witness and participant to a series of remarkable events His descriptions of army life both daily routine and the inferno on

the Somme in July 1916 add greatly to our knowledge of this most climactic period of history David Truesdale opted for early retirement in 1998 and since then has written for films and television and produced two battlefield guides on behalf of the Royal Irish Fusiliers Museum The First Eagle the 87th Foot at the Battle of Barrosa and Regulars by God The 89th Foot at the Battle of Lundy s Lane He is the author of Brotherhood of the Cauldron Irishmen in the 1st Airborne Division at Arnhem Angels and Heroes the story of a machine gunner with the Royal Irish Fusiliers August 1914 to April 1915 with Amanda Moreno Irish Winners of the Victoria Cross with Richard Doherty Leading The Way To Arnhem a history of the 21st Independent Parachute Company with Peter Gijbels Arnhem Their Final Battle the 11th Parachute Battalion 1943 44 with Gerrit Pijpers With David Orr he has written The Rifles are There 1st The Royal Ulster Rifles in Korea They are currently in collaboration on a history of the Ulster Volunteer Force and 36th Ulster Division 1913 1919 For relaxation he paints in watercolours following the Kelly school of innovation photographs wildlife listens to good music drinks red wine and finds that Tomaso Albinoni 1671 1751 and his Oboe Concerto in D Minor Op 9 No2 has been an inspiration during difficult times in Muddling Through Peter Howson, 2014-01-19 As with many other aspects of the British army the any manuscript outbreak of World War One started a process of change that was to result in a radically different provision of chaplaincy care once the war was over Nothing was ever simple with army chaplaincy The war saw an increase in the number of churches becoming involved with the army The structure had already been under pressure in the first decade of the century with the Catholic Church insisting on new rules for its chaplains The creation of the Territorial Force added a new dimension after 1907 bringing new players into the mix including the Jewish community These chaplains challenged the traditional Garrison Church based ministry of the regulars The book examines the muddled state of chaplaincy in August 1914 and looks at how chaplains were mobilized It then reviews how organizational changes were often the result of pressure from the different churches The unilateral decision of the Church of England in July 1915 to leave the unified administration in France that had existed since August 1914 is examined in the light of the availability of the relevant volume of the diaries of Bishop Gwynne a key participant in the change Chapters also look at the experience of other Imperial forces and of the casualties suffered by chaplains These all provide evidence of the expectations that various groups had of army chaplains It is often forgotten that two chaplains were captured during the retreat from Mons in 1914 They were never far from the fighting throughout the war The experiences of the war meant that the pre war structure needed reform The final chapter looks at the structure that was created in 1920 and then survived virtually unchanged until 2004 Army chaplaincy has always been a mix of Church Army and State Such a coming together inevitably lead to confusion Not surprisingly one of the themes was the muddle that resulted Even so army chaplaincy ended the war with a much higher profile than the one it had in 1914 This was recognised by the addition of Royal creating the RAChD Anglicans Catholics Presbyterians Methodists and other faith groups as well as military historians will find this book of interest as it overturns a number of myths and puts chaplaincy in its wider context

Franco-Prussian War 1870-1871, Volume 2 Quintin Barry, 2007-03-19 The second volume of this comprehensive military history examines the fall of the Second French Empire and the founding of a unified Germany Helmuth von Moltke s victory over France in the Battle of Sedan resulted in the capture of Napoleon III But the war against the Government of National Defense presented quite different problems to von Moltke and his staff Although the Siege of Paris loomed large during the second phase of the war historian Quintin Barry fully explores events in other parts of France including the siege of Strasbourg the activities of the Francs Tireurs the investment of Metz and the battle against the French armies of the Loire the North and the East As with the first volume of this study Barry has made full use of an extensive number of German and French language sources His detailed text is accompanied by a number of black and white illustrations and newly drawn battle maps Orders of battle are also provided

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