



From Artillery to Air Corps: The World War II Memoir of a Green Mountain Cannoneer Turned B-24 Radioman

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Createspace, United States, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 226 x 155 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Merriam Press Military Monograph 81. Third Edition (February 2012). These are the experiences of a young enlisted man in the Army from 1936 through 1945. As a former military journalist, his writing style is quite descriptive. The first half of the book covers the time period from 1936 through early 1944. As he describes his training, assignments and perceptions of various incidents, the reader sees how he was integrated into the military culture. A number of anecdotes illustrate what the unwritten rules were at the time and the basis for some of the rhetoric then in use, e.g. terms such as dogface and wolf. The second half of the book details his experiences as a prisoner of war after his B-24 Liberator was shot down over Germany. He was the plane's radio operator. He was a POW in four different camps from March 1944 through January 1945: Stalag Luft 8, Stalag Luft 4, Stalag Luft 17 and the POW camp at Moosberg. The book vividly depicts life at each of these sites and the transport from one...



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