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"The War Merit Cross" by Gordon Williamson and Josef Charita is set to quickly become the collector's and enthusiast's War Merit Cross Bible.

"German Cross in Gold," Volume 3 by Mark C. Yerger follows up his informative series with Regiment and Division "Nordland."



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"The War Merit Cross" by Gordon Williamson and Josef Charita is set to quickly become the collector's and enthusiast's Bible. This book painstakingly reviews The War Merit Cross from 1939 through the postwar years. Illustrated throughout its 458 total pages, hundreds of color photos show the fronts, backs, pins, hinges, maker's marks, presentation boxes, and award certificates while clearly laying out the manufacturing details to help identify each medal. In addition to the extensive coverage of each type medal, the book closes with an illustrated biography section that alphabetically runs through a complete list of recipients of the Knight's Cross of the War Merit Cross, with and without Swords, and details on how and when they earned and were awarded their medals.

"The War Merit Cross" is hard bound and filled with 739 photos, most in color, on 458 pages - \$64.95.

"German Cross in Gold" Volume 3 is the next volume in the popular series by Mark Yerger. Mr. Yerger follows up "German Cross in Silver" and "German Cross in Gold," Volumes 1 and 2 with Volume 3, Regiment and Division "Nordland." Yerger once again shows us what a marvelous researcher he is. His extensive contacts throughout the world helped him once again author a historical journey which leads us through the combat actions of recipients of the German Cross in Gold in great detail. Featuring 139 photos throughout the 252 pages, this latest volume of "German Cross in Gold" is a must have for collectors and history buffs alike.

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by Wilhelm P.B.R. Saris

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by David Littlejohn

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by Alec Tulkoff



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by John R. Angolia and Hugh Page Taylor

This history of the German police traces back to the mid-15th Century with particular attention given to the Weimar and Third Reich periods. You will now understand the police mind-set, organization and development, plus the evolution of uniforms in Nazi Germany. A day-to-day chronology of the part played by the police in the Third Reich is also given.

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by Mark C. Yeger

The first two volumes of this series examines the 2.SS Panzer-Division "Das Reich." Research provides comprehensive information for the holders of this prestigious decoration to include the combat narrative that actually resulted in the award. Also included are all other awards, promotions, and known service history. An appendix includes the most detailed Order of Battle listing of commands compiled to date, as well as new data on the Division's Roll of Honor Clasp and Close Combat Clasp in Gold holders.

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For Germany: The Otto Skorzeny Memoirs

edited by Craig W.H. Luther, Ph.D. & Hugh Page Taylor

Otto Skorzeny is one of the best known and colorful figures of the Third Reich. Before he died in 1975 he personally entrusted Bender Publishing with the formidable task of producing the most detailed and up-dated version of his incredible life story. A quarter of a century later, the ultimate story of "Scarface" Skorzeny" is finally available. Complete with an exhaustive index, providing biographical details not found in the text.

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By Lt. John E. Strandberg & Roger James Bender

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by Lt. (ret.) Timothy J. Curley & Neil G. Stewart /

Foreword by Oberst. a.D. Adolf Schlicht

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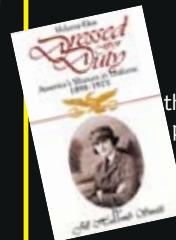


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by Jill Halcomb Smith

This landmark reference presents an overall view of the role of women in the service of our nation's defense plus an in-depth study of the evolution of their uniforms and insignia (many in color). Fifty organizations are covered in this volume, some of which are: Aerial Nurse Corps of America; Army Nurse Corps; Cadet Nurse Corps; Citizen's Defense Corps; Motor Corps of America; National Security Women's Corps; Navy Nurse Corps. etc.

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by Jill Halcomb Smith

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by Eric Queen

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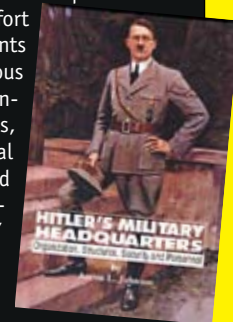
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