

The Gun That Changed The World

Our history has been shaped and changed by weapons: the smallest advances in weapons development have helped to build and overthrow empires, changed the course of civilization, driven modern technology, and won wars. For thousands of years, individual pieces of weaponry have come to symbolize struggles and nations, from the Roman gladius to the English longbow, and from the flintlock musket through to the AK47. This book reveals the weapons that had the greatest impact on our history, explaining how and why they came to prominence, and uncovers the lasting effect they had on the world.

America was formed based on a vision of democracy where supreme power is supposed to be vested in the people. In *We the Who?* author Brett H. Lewis asks if Americans are losing sight of who "we the people" are and, more importantly, who we need to be in order to regain our collective identity and ensure America's continued growth and greatness. *We the Who?* presents a collection of essays and opinions that probe into the nuts and bolts of current issues facing America today. Lewis tackles the subjects of classism, racism, justice, politics, the military, and the economy. Through these discussions, he encourages the American populace to be alert and aware to ensure that government of the people, by the people, and for the people continues to be at the forefront of today's America. Drawing from history, logic, social inclinations, religious beliefs, and personal experiences, *We the Who?* seeks to inform the public and to encourage them to ask questions, express opinions, and hold elected leaders accountable. It communicates the necessity to be informed in order to make quality decisions about our lives.

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Small arms have developed hugely since the introduction of the machine gun in the 1870s. Magazine-fed rifles, submachine guns, automatic pistols and, later, assault rifles and personal defence weapons have changed the face of infantry warfare, offering a range of weaponry designed for both the specialist and novice. *The World's Greatest Small Arms* features 52 weapons from the late 19th century to the present day. The book includes the best-known weapons from throughout the modern era, from the Gatling gun, SMLE rifle and Luger pistol, to the Uzi, FN MAG and the M110 sniper rifle. Great iconic weapons, such as the Colt M1911 pistol, Bren Gun, MP5 submachine gun, and Steyr AUG rifle are featured, as well as timeless classics still in use today: the M2 Browning 50 cal, AK-47 and M16 rifle. Each weapon is examined over four pages and is illustrated with a colour profile artwork and photographs, along with a description of the weapon's development and history, key features and a full specifications box. Including more than 200 artworks and photographs, *The World's Greatest Small Arms* is a colourful guide for the military historian.

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The US public has been led to believe that Social Security is going bankrupt and that our children will be burdened with supporting the elderly unless it is reformed. Benavie will refute these arguments. While it is true that our public pension system can be improved, this book will separate the widely accepted economic facts of the issue from personal value judgements. This book is an invaluable guide to understanding and making informed decisions about one of our most important social welfare systems.

Peace Studies, Public Policy and Global Security is a component of Encyclopedia of Social Sciences and Humanities in the global Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems (EOLSS), which is an integrated compendium of

twenty one Encyclopedias. The Theme on Peace Studies, Public Policy and Global Security provides the essential aspects and a myriad of issues of great relevance to our world such as: Processes of Peace and Security; International Security, Peace, Development, and Environment; Security Threats, Challenges, Vulnerability and Risks; Sustainable Food and Water Security; World Economic Order. This 11-volume set contains several chapters, each of size 5000-30000 words, with perspectives, issues on Peace studies, Public Policy and Global security. These volumes are aimed at the following five major target audiences: University and College students Educators, Professional practitioners, Research personnel and Policy analysts, managers, and decision makers and NGOs.

"American history has always been interwoven with developments in firearms technology and so is peppered with legendary guns. At the birth of the nation, Americans armed themselves with state-of-the-art long guns to fight their colonial oppressors. Once independent, the young country was drawn into a succession of conflicts, which caused firearms technology to keep pace with weapon design and production demand. The needs of many military campaigns ensured that the nation's gunmakers have remained at the cutting edge of innovation. 50 Guns That Changed America will explore the most significant American weapons from the early days of firepower to the amazing modern guns in use today, including: Simeon North/Hall pistol; Dimick plains rifle; Spencer carbine rifle; Winchester Model 1866; Smith & Wesson Army revolver; Colt Peacemaker; M60 machine gun; ArmaLite AR-18 machine gun. Each firearm is illustrated in full color with archive photography of the manufacturers and the guns in action where possible."--Provided by publisher.

De ongelijkheid in de wereld verklaard Waarom

hebben de Australische aboriginals niet de wereld veroverd? Of de Mexicaanse indianen of de Amerikaanse nomaden? Wat is bepalend voor de ontwikkeling van volkeren? Zijn dat genetische verschillen of spelen andere oorzaken een rol? Jared Diamond toont op toegankelijke wijze aan dat volkeren zich verschillend hebben ontwikkeld als gevolg van klimatologische en bacteriologische factoren. Genetische factoren blijken ondergeschikt. De ontwikkelde delen van de wereld hebben hun positie niet aan zichzelf, maar aan een speling van de natuur te danken. Diamond won met dit boek, waarvan meer dan 20.000 exemplaren zijn verkocht, de Pulitzer Price. 'Jared Diamond heeft een boek met een enorme reikwijdte geschreven (...) een van de belangrijkste en meest lezenswaardige werken die over de geschiedenis van de mensheid geschreven zijn.' Nature Jared Diamond is hoogleraar fysiologie aan de University of California in Los Angeles. Hij verricht onderzoek op het terrein van de evolutionaire biologie en is bekend als auteur van populair-wetenschappelijke boeken. Wereldwijd werden van deze megabestseller ruim een miljoen exemplaren verkocht.

The regulation of issues like abortion, euthanasia, gun control, same-sex unions, pornography, prostitution, drugs, or gambling is commonly referred to a special class of so called morality policies. The distinctive feature of these policies is that politics are

shaped by conflicts over first principle: When does life end? When does it begin? Is gambling, drug consumption or prostitution inherently malignant? The regulation of these value conflicts entails decisions about "right" or "wrong" and hence the "validation of a particular set of basic values". Yet there is still a remarkable lack of scholarly attention on morality policies, in particular with regard to general implications for the study of public policy. To stimulate further research in this area, this book focuses on different concepts and theories of morality policy change in European countries. It is based on a broad and comparative empirical perspective on different morality issues, including, for instance, the regulation of prostitution, abortion, euthanasia, gambling, drugs, as well as gun controls. This book was published as a special issue of the Journal of European Public Policy.

Een electromagnetic pulse (EMP) vaagt in een klap de totale elektrische infrastructuur weg waardoor niets meer werkt: verwarming, airco, computers, banken, ziekenhuizen, auto's, vliegtuigen en alle andere apparaten en voertuigen waar elektronica in zitten. Een thriller met een bijzonder realistisch scenario. Nog voor verschijnen is het scenario uit dit boek als reële dreiging besproken in het Amerikaanse Huis van Afgevaardigden. Een seconde later is het eerste deel in een trilogie. Geschiedenisprofessor John Matherson woont in

Black Mountain, North Carolina. Terwijl hij bezig is om een barbecue voor zijn kinderen voor te bereiden, valt opeens alle elektriciteit uit.

Aanvankelijk lijkt het een stroomstoring, maar dan merkt hij dat hij het constante lawaai van de snelweg naast zijn huis ook niet meer hoort. Van het ene moment op het andere is het oorverdovend stil en zal het leven van John en zijn kinderen voor altijd ingrijpend anders zijn. De oorlog barstte los voordat iemand er maar erg in had en duurde welgeteld één seconde. Plotseling worden de Verenigde Staten teruggeworpen naar het stenen tijdperk en stort de samenleving in hoog tempo ineen. Een electromagnetic pulse (EMP) vaagt in één klap de totale elektrische infrastructuur weg waardoor niets meer werkt. Maar wat doe je als je geen boodschappen meer kunt doen omdat de kassa niet werkt? Wat is contant geld dan nog waard? En hoe kom je van A naar B zonder andere vervoersmiddelen dan je eigen twee benen? Weet je de weg in je eigen huis in het donker? Maar de meest zorgwekkende vraag is: Hoe ver gaan anderen om te overleven?

John Taliaferro Thompson had a mission: to develop a lightweight, fast-firing weapon that would help Americans win on the battlefield. His Thompson submachine gun could deliver a hundred bullets in a matter of seconds—but didn't find a market in the U.S. military. Instead, the Tommy gun became the

weapon of choice for a generation of bootleggers and bank-robbing outlaws, and became a deadly American icon. Following a bloody decade—and eighty years before the mass shootings of our own time—Congress moved to take this weapon off the streets, igniting a national debate about gun control. Critically-acclaimed author Karen Blumenthal, author of *Bootleg: Murder, Moonshine, and the Lawless Years of Prohibition* and *Six Days in October: The Stock Market Crash of 1929*, reveals the fascinating story of this famous and deadly weapon—of the lives it changed, the debate it sparked, and the unprecedented response it inspired in *Tommy: The Gun That Changed America*.

How far out of your comfort zone would you be willing to explore just to find your purpose in life? Dr. Leba Brader is a well-liked and highly skilled trauma surgeon who longs for adventure outside the safety of the base hospital. When she embarks on a quest to join an expeditionary scientific mission on a remote ice moon in order to realize her full potential and make a difference, she gets more than she expected. After enduring long hours of combat and tactical training, she is confident in

The history of the American gun is intricately entwined with the history of America itself. Promising developments in gun technology could change not only America's future, but the future of the world. Unfortunately, the radical anti-gun lobby is standing

between innovation and the American people. Bestselling author Frank Miniter details the amazing breakthroughs waiting to happen in gun technology that could make today's firearms exponentially safer and smarter—if the anti-gun lobby weren't halting progress in its tracks. In *The Future of the Gun*, you will learn: Why anti-gun groups often oppose gun safety features How guns—and gun education for young people—cut crime How federalism could save your gun rights New trends in gun technology that will make guns safer and more effective Why most talk about “assault rifles” is bogus How military and civilian gun technology have always advanced in tandem—for the benefit of soldiers and private citizens What guns could look like in just a few years Want to know about the future of guns? There is no better place to start than here.

Starr Carters beste vriend Khalil wordt doodgeschoten door een politieagent. Khalil had geen wapen op zak maar was 'vermoedelijk' een drugsdealer. Verslagen door emoties probeert Starr zichzelf te herpakken in een samenleving vol ongelijkheid. De armoedige buurt waarin ze woont geeft een groot contrast met de school waar ze elke dag naartoe gaat. Overleven in deze twee werelden wordt steeds lastiger en de waarheid spreken krijgt een hoge prijs.

A sweeping, definitive biography of Samuel Colt—the inventor of the legendary Colt revolver (a.k.a. six-

shooter)—which changed the US forever, triggering the industrial revolution and the settlement of the American West. Patented in 1836, the Colt pistol with its revolving cylinder was the first practical firearm that could shoot more than one bullet without reloading. For many reasons, Colt's gun had a profound effect on American history. Its most immediate impact was on the expansionism of the American west, where white emigrants and US soldiers came to depend on it, and where Native Americans came to dread it. The six-shooter became the iconic weapon of gun-slingers, outlaws, and cowboys—some willing to pay \$500 out west for a gun that sold for \$25 back east. In making the revolver, Colt also changed American manufacturing—his factory revolutionized industry in the United States. Ultimately, Colt and his gun-making brought together the two most significant forces of change before the Civil War—the industrial revolution in the east, Manifest Destiny in the west. Brilliantly told, *Revolver* brings the brazenly ambitious and profoundly innovative industrialist and leader Samuel Colt to vivid life. In the space of his forty-seven years, he seemingly lived five lives: he traveled, womanized, drank prodigiously, smuggled guns to Russia, bribed politicians, and supplied the Union Army with the guns they needed to win the Civil War. Colt lived during an age of promise and progress, but also of slavery, corruption, and

unbridled greed, and he not only helped to create this America, he completely embodied it. By the time he died in 1862 in Hartford, Connecticut, he was one of the most famous men in nation, and one of the richest. While *Revolver* is a riveting and revealing biography of Colt, a man who made significant contributions to our country during the nineteenth century, it's also a lively and informative historical portrait of America during a time of extraordinary transformation.

In recent years, political discourse about gun control and the Second Amendment has become increasingly volatile and this collection of original essays by top scholars illuminates the various reasons why. Gun lobbies such as the National Rifle Association are more organized and aggressive and their issue agenda has evolved as new and more powerful weapons and militia appear. On the other side of the debate, the critical wounding of James Brady gave gun control advocates a visible martyr with strong ties to Republican conservatives. In sum, gun control and the right to bear arms have become hotly disputed issues where political alignments are constantly shifting. The contributors chart these changes and explore how Congress, the courts, the President, and individual states are currently addressing the issue of gun control. This book, which includes profiles and examinations of relevant interest groups, the gun control coalition, recent

Supreme Court decisions, and public opinion surveys, will be of great interest to classes in political science, American government, law, and sociology. Rarely has one gun changed the face of the firearms industry. Even more uncommon is a gun that changes the way you think about firearms. John Browning's gun did both. As the all-time best-selling over and under shotgun in North America, the Browning Superposed is rich in tradition and unsurpassed in quality craftsmanship. Ned Schwing penetrates the mystique surrounding the Browning Superposed, bringing to light the history behind the last of the high quality, hand-built, and hand-engraved over and under shotguns. Whether you are a Browning Superposed collector, or a hunter who enjoys the look and handling qualities of this great shotgun in the field, or even a trap or skeet shooter who uses the Superposed in competition, this book will bring hours of enjoyment looking back to the glory days of this time-tested firearm. You'll understand how the Superposed was finally put into production by John Browning's son, Val, and you'll sift through the past seventy years' worth of records, drawings, and data of the premier gun company of our time. Included are seventy-eight clear and concise tables and charts analyzing the Browning Superposed by year from 1931 to 1984. Through official sales records of the Superposed, learn how they were made and sold by gauge, model, grade,

barrel length, and more.

Mick Powis describes the novel threat posed to the British war effort by the raids of German airships, or Zeppelins, and the struggle to develop effective defenses against them. Despite their size and relatively slow speed, the Zeppelins were hard to locate and destroy at first. They could fly higher than existing fighters and the early raids benefited from a lack of coordination between British services. The development of radio, better aircraft, incendiary ammunition, and, above all, a more coordinated defensive policy, gradually allowed the British to inflict heavy losses on the Zeppelins. The innovative use of seaplanes and planes launched from aircraft carriers allowed the Zeppelins to be intercepted before they reached Britain and to strike back with raids on the Zeppelin sheds. July 1918 saw the RAF and Royal Navy cooperate to destroy two Zeppelins in their base at Tondern (the first attack by aircraft launched from a carrier deck). The last Zeppelin raid on England came in August 1918 and resulted in the destruction of Zeppelin L70 and the death of Peter Strasser, Commander of the Imperial German Navy's Zeppelin force.

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The Russian word that is most frequently spoken

throughout the world isn't Lenin, gulag or perestroika, it's Kalashnikov. The reason for this is simple: there are 80 million Kalashnikovs in circulation on five continents. Once invented, the AK-47 assault rifle became the most widely used weapon in the world: from Vietnam to Palestine, from Cuba to Iraq, it was at the heart of conflicts and struggles everywhere. It is the only firearm that has ever been depicted on a national flag – that of Mozambique, where it symbolizes liberation. Mikhail Kalashnikov himself, who was born in 1919, here tells his life story, with the help of Elena Joly, for the first time: his deportation to Siberia with his family while still a child; his time as a soldier in a tank regiment; his invention of the world's most famous weapon and his turbulent life under Stalin, Khrushchev, Brezhnev, Gorbachev and Yeltsin. This is a remarkable portrait of a man of ingenuity and vitality in the context of the often frightening and terribly unforgiving Russia of the twentieth century. Tom Diaz's first book, *Making a Killing* (The New Press, 1999), is widely considered to be the most influential anti-gun book ever written. It helped to spark a national media campaign around the machinations of the gun industry and the wave of violence it spawned. Picking up where *Making a Killing* left off, *The Last Gun* looks at how the gun industry has changed in the intervening decade, how gun violence has changed in step with industry

trends and why the time is ripe for a new political effort to attack gun violence at its source: the guns themselves.

Darrell Powers, bij zijn soldatenbroeders beter bekend als Shifty, groeide op in Virginia. Zijn grootste droom was de allerbeste schutter ter wereld te worden en hij en zijn vader oefenden jarenlang in `blind schieten : het `voelen van de omgeving en daarnaar handelen. Ze konden geen van beiden weten dat dat bijna bovennatuurlijke vermogen later Shifty s eigen leven en dat van zijn vrienden zou redden. Eenmaal soldaat en met Easy Company op weg naar de slagvelden van de Tweede Wereldoorlog, realiseert Shifty zich dat hij al zijn vaardigheden nodig zal hebben om deze bloedige strijd te overleven. Marcherend over de velden van Frankrijk en Duitsland, gedreven door de wil om Europa te redden van het kwaad, dringt ondanks alle angst en pijn tot hem door dat hij met zijn Band of Brothers een diepe band smeedt die tot hun dood stand zal houden.

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This handbook provides a comprehensive analysis of the current state of welding technology as applied to large structures and process plant. The author takes account of the increasing necessity for engineers at all levels to be aware of problems such as fatigue failure and provides advice.

Brings the complete history of the gun vividly to life. Traces the evolution of firearms from the earliest

medieval 'hand cannons' to today's high tech. weapons. From matchlock & flintlock to the caseless cartridge; from muzzle-loading to multiple-barreled machine guns; from powder & ball to the modern self-contained cartridge, every major milestone is discussed & illustrated. All the key inventions that changed the face of warfare are featured here & graphics are used to demonstrate how they function. Every major inventor from Puckle & Ferguson, through Pauly, Colt, Mauser, Luger, Browning & Garand has his place in this story & the importance of their contributions to history are highlighted. 100+ color & b&w photos & illustrations.

Op onnavolgbare wijze beschrijft Yuval Noah Harari in zijn bestseller *Sapiens* 70.000 jaar menselijke evolutie, maar met *Homo Deus* richt hij zich op de toekomst. Met zijn kenmerkende vermenging van wetenschap, geschiedenis en filosofie onderzoekt Harari de dromen en nachtmerries van de eenentwintigste eeuw - van onsterfelijkheid tot kunstmatig leven. Hij stelt fundamentele vragen: Waar gaan we naartoe? Hoe beschermen we onze kwetsbare wereld tegen onze eigen verwoestende krachten? En als we in staat zijn door technologische vooruitgang ons lichaam en onze geest te verbeteren, wat gebeurt er dan met de mensen die zich niet laten upgraden? Wat voor sociale gevolgen zal deze tweedeling hebben? Volgens Harari is het essentieel om meer te

begrijpen van de technologische revoluties om ons heen, anders hebben we geen invloed op de koers van onze toekomst. Dit is de volgende stap in onze evolutie. Dit is Homo Deus.

For more than 100 years, Shooter's Bible has been the ultimate comprehensive resource for shooting enthusiasts across the board. Trusted by everyone from competitive shooters to hunters to those who keep firearms for protection, this leading series is always expanding. Here is the first edition of the Shooter's Bible Guide to Combat Handguns—your all-encompassing resource with up-to-date information on combat and defensive handguns, training and defensive ammunition, handgun ballistics, tactical and concealment holsters, accessories, training facilities, and more. No Shooter's Bible guidebook is complete without a detailed products section showcasing handguns from all across the market. Author Robert Sadowski proves to be a masterful instructor on all aspects of handguns, providing useful information for every reader, from those with combat handgun experience in military and law enforcement fields to private citizens, first-timers, and beyond.

50 Battles That Changed the World looks at the clashes the author believes have had the most profound impact on world history. Listed in order of their relevance to the modern world, they range from the ancient past to the present day and span the

globe many times over. This book is not so much about military strategy as the implications of the battles that were vital in shaping civilization as we know it.

In *De kanonnen van augustus*, inmiddels een klassiek boek, beschrijft de Amerikaanse historica Barbara Tuchman het politieke voorspel en de eerste oorlogshandelingen van het bloedige treffen dat in korte tijd zal uitgroeien tot een wereldbrand, de Eerste Wereldoorlog. Op boeiende wijze vertelt zij over het koortsachtig diplomatiek overleg en de voor de Fransen en Belgen zo moeilijke eerste oorlogsmaand. In de eerste weken van de grote Europese oorlog, die op 1 augustus 1914 is uitgebroken, heeft het Eerste Duitse leger onder bevel van generaal Alexander von Kluck in snel tempo België en Noord-Frankrijk onder de voet gelopen. Parijs wordt bedreigd. Tuchman eindigt haar relaas bij de Marne, waar Franse en Britse eenheden de Duitse opmars tot stilstand brengen. Briljant is een woord dat wel eens te gemakkelijk wordt gebruikt; in de beoordeling van dit boek is het in de letterlijke betekenis op zijn plaats. - *De Volkskrant* Barbara Tuchman heeft een feilloos instinct voor het onthullende detail en slaagt erin zowel het ontzagwekkende grondpatroon op te roepen als de kleine bijzonderheden die het menselijke bepalen. - *Newsweek*

Now in its Seventh Edition, *The History of*

Winchester Firearms is the definitive illustrated guide to the company behind the gun that won the West. It covers Winchester's full line of weaponry, beginning even before Oliver Winchester took over and renamed the company. This newest edition goes gun by gun, from the precursors of the repeating rifle to the most recent and finely made pieces in the gun-maker's catalog, up to 2007. Hundreds of legendary weapons are illustrated with photographs and described in-depth, with specifics on details, measurements, and manufacturing runs. This is the most complete source of information on the guns that changed the American landscape, and every marksman, gun collector, and student of U.S. history will consider it invaluable.

The man behind every gun manufactured today John Browning was the most influential gun designer who ever lived. After building his first firearm aged thirteen, he went on to create a series of radical blueprints for pistols, rifles and machine guns that changed the way wars were fought and streets were policed. But who was the man behind the weapons? How did he manage to revolutionise the way guns worked? And what drove him to keep innovating right through his life? A short must-read for gun collectors, enthusiasts and anyone interested in the history of firearms from bestselling thriller writer James Barrington. James Barrington is a trained military pilot and the author of worldwide bestsellers

such as Manhunt, Overkill and To Do Or Die. It's 1933 and Prohibition has given rise to the American gangster--now infamous names like Bonnie and Clyde and John Dillinger. Bank robberies at gunpoint are commonplace and kidnapping for ransom is the scourge of a lawless nation. With local cops unauthorized to cross state lines in pursuit and no national police force, safety for kidnappers is just a short trip on back roads they know well from their bootlegging days. Gangster George "Machine Gun" Kelly and his wife, Kathryn, are some of the most celebrated criminals of the Great Depression. With gin-running operations facing extinction and bank vaults with dwindling stores of cash, Kelly sets his sights on the easy-money racket of kidnapping. His target: rich oilman, Charles Urschel. Enter J. Edgar Hoover, a desperate Justice Department bureaucrat who badly needs a successful prosecution to impress the new administration and save his job. Hoover's agents are given the sole authority to chase kidnappers across state lines and when Kelly bungles the snatch job, Hoover senses his big opportunity. What follows is a thrilling 20,000 mile chase over the back roads of Depression-era America, crossing 16 state lines, and generating headlines across America along the way--a historical mystery/thriller for the ages. Joe Urschel's The Year of Fear is a thrilling true crime story of gangsters and lawmen and how an obscure federal bureaucrat

used this now legendary kidnapping case to launch the FBI.

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