

The First Casualty

It has become apparent to most people that evidence submitted at trial is all too often not only unreliable but actually falsified. It seems that the authorities involved have been more concerned with a conviction than with justice. In the event of a wrongful guilty verdict the accused can appeal and the case can be tried again. However, when a person has been found at trial to be innocent they cannot be retried. If the initial evidence was wrong, there is no recourse to justice for the victims of the crime.

This is the story of war reporting, of war correspondents, and the legion of influences that can distort and obstruct efforts to report the truth. It tells of the war correspondent and his search for truth or his role as a propagandist for his, or another government.

In the twentieth century alone, military deaths totaled over 35 million, including 29,700,000 slain in international wars and almost 6 million killed in civil wars. This completely updated and revised edition of the acclaimed 1992 two-volume work (belongs in the reference collection of almost every library - ARBA) presents a record of casualties of modern warfare in the last four centuries. New information pushes back the beginning date to 1500 from the first edition's 1680 and pushes 1992 out through 1999. Arranged roughly by century and then subdivided by world region, the entries proceed chronologically and vary from paragraph to chapter-length. Each entry provides the name and date of the conflict, precursor events, strategies and details,

the outcome and its impact. A history of weaponry is easily traceable, as casualties mounted according to their improvement.

"The first casualty when war comes, is truth," said American Senator Hiram Johnson in 1917. In his gripping, now-classic history of war journalism, Phillip Knightley shows just how right Johnson was. From William Howard Russell, who described the appalling conditions of the Crimean War in the Times of London, to the ranks of reporters, photographers, and cameramen who captured the realities of war in Vietnam, *The First Casualty* tells a fascinating story of heroism and collusion, censorship and suppression. Since Vietnam, Knightley reveals, governments have become much more adept at managing the media, as highlighted in chapters on the Falklands War, the Gulf War, and the conflict between NATO and Serbia over Kosovo. And in a new chapter on the post-9/11 wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, Knightley details even greater degrees of government manipulation and media complicity, as evidenced by the "embedding" of reporters in military units and the uncritical, openly patriotic coverage of these conflicts. "The age of the war correspondent as hero," he concludes, "appears to be over." Fully updated, *The First Casualty* remains required reading for anyone concerned about freedom of the press, journalistic responsibility, and the nature of modern warfare.

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Almost everyone reads the newspaper, browses the Internet, listens to the radio or watches TV.

Journalism has an indelible effect on our worldview--from the fight against global terrorism to the American presidential elections, celebrity scandal to the latest environmental coups.

Hargreaves uses his unique position within the media to examine how we get this information and the many practical, political and professional decisions that the journalist has to make, as part of the process of delivering that information to us. Is journalism the 'first draft of history' or a dumbing-down of our culture and a glorification of the trivial

and intrusive? In this intriguing book Ian Hargreaves argues that the core principles of 'freedom of the press' and the necessity of exposing the truth are as vital today as they ever were. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable. In *Neutrality and the Academic Ethic*, the distinguished philosopher Robert L. Simon explores the claim that universities can and should be politically neutral. He examines conceptual questions about the meaning of neutrality, distinguishes different conceptions of what neutrality involves, and considers in what sense, if any, institutional neutrality is both possible and desirable. In Part II, a collection of original and previously published essays provides different views on these and related issues. Military wives are among the women most vulnerable to abuse in our society: isolated from friends and family in a culture that ostracizes those who speak up, they face desperate financial circumstances and lack professional support in times of crisis. Deborah Harrison and her collaborators interview more than 100 survivors of abuse and their partners in this groundbreaking study of violence

against women in military communities. Despite a policy of zero tolerance, abusive behavior continues, fostered by a culture centred on constant preparation for violent conflict and covered up by an ethos that demands members protect one another at all costs. The First Casualty is a riveting account of how military culture contributes to abuse, keeps it secret, and attempts to silence its victims.

This novella is a compilation of stories based upon historical events that occurred prior to and following the attack on Pearl Harbor, Territorial Hawaii. The situations, issues, themes, and outcomes are partly derived from the experiences of the people who lived through those times and whose lives were either directly or indirectly affected by social, military, political, and economic fortunes. The main focus examines issues of discrimination, fate, determination, community versus the individual, charity versus greed, and the sheer will of ordinary people to transform a hostile environment into a fertile land of productivity, inclusion, and opportunity. It is hoped that this work might possibly provide a fresh window of insight into developing a more constructive future.

Essays by self-publishers offer their advice and observations, and identify common problems. In this important, controversial, and at times troubling book, Sandra Whitworth looks behind the rhetoric to investigate from a feminist perspective some of the

realities of military intervention under the UN flag. Whitworth contends that there is a fundamental contradiction between portrayals of peacekeeping as altruistic and benign and the militarized masculinity that underpins the group identity of soldiers. Examining evidence from Cambodia and Somalia, she argues that sexual and other crimes can be seen as expressions of a violent hypermasculinity that is congruent with militarized identities, but entirely incongruent with missions aimed at maintaining peace. She also asserts that recent efforts within the UN to address gender issues in peacekeeping operations have failed because they fail to challenge traditional understandings of militaries, conflict, and women. This unsettling critique of UN operations, which also investigates the interplay between gender and racial stereotyping in peacekeeping, has the power to change conventional perceptions, with considerable policy implications.

A conscientious objector is released from prison and sent to the front lines to investigate the death of a British officer and celebrated poet.

In a world where the first casualty of war is truth, journalism has become the new battleground. Peter Greste spent two decades reporting from the front line in the world's most dangerous countries before making headlines himself following his own incarceration in an Egyptian prison. Charged with threatening national

security, and enduring a sham trial, solitary confinement and detention for 400 days, Greste himself became a victim of the new global war on journalism. Wars have always been about propaganda but today's battles are increasingly between ideas, and the media has become part of the battlefield. Extremists have staked a place in news dissemination with online postings, and journalists have moved from being witnesses to the struggle to a means by which the war is waged - which makes them a target. Having covered conflicts in Afghanistan, Iraq and Somalia, as well as having spent time in prison in Egypt, Greste is extremely well placed to describe in vivid detail what effect this has on the nature of reporting and the mind of the reporter. Based on extensive interviews and research, Greste shows how this war on journalism has spread to the West, not just in the murders at the French satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo or the repressions of Putin's Russia, but Australia's metadata laws and Trump's phony war on 'fake news'. In this courageous, compelling, vital account Greste unpicks the extent to which modern investigative journalism is under threat, and the fraught quest - and desperate need - for truth in the age of terrorism.

Using original material and letters from the First World War, this captivating and eye-opening account uncovers the unnerving realities of the First World War and the impact it had on the town of Tunbridge Wells. It looks at world events, which ultimately determined the outbreak of the war, and how these same events affected the small town in Kent and the people who made up the community. From an early stage the hostilities of the war

became very real for the people of Tunbridge Wells. Because of its geographical location, close proximity to major ports and rail links, the town became the headquarters of the nations Territorial Army, which brought with it 5,000 troops from all over the country. Out of nearly 3,000 people from Tunbridge Wells who enlisted in the military between 1914–1918, a staggering 801 did not return, and out of those who did, many suffered terrible wounds and injuries, both physically and mentally. Many moving stories are illustrated throughout, such as that of Private William Starks Vidler of the Royal Marines Light Infantry who became the town's first casualty of the war when his ship, HMS Amphion struck a mine and sunk. Ironically, eighteen others who died in the disaster were German sailors who had been rescued by the Amphion when their ship was sunk by the British Royal Navy. The book looks at letters sent from husbands and sons, who had seen action in the war, and how they were received by families on the Home Front, who were anxiously waiting for new of their loved ones. It documents the triumphs and tragedies of Tunbridge Wells' people as they sought to find normality amongst a reality far removed from anything they had ever known before

The first comprehensive look at the increasing push by government and military officials in the direction of "bloodless war."

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true story tells of a journey of self discovery and unearthing the past. Follow part of the Battle of the Atlantic and the famous U-boat commander Eric Topp, along with the Enigma that form part of this fascinating and true story.

The fall of Saigon brings the war home to North Carolina for several Vietnam vets and their friends. Nurse Elizabeth Pepperhawk thinks she's left Vietnam behind. But when a woman arrives on her doorstep with a baby and the field diary of West Point graduate Col. Darby Baxter, the memories come rushing back.

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The First Casualty is the previously untold true story of how during the start of 2020, truth had never before come so close to extinction. With a media complicit in the lies perpetrated on the public by an old, entrenched hierarchy of inept governments at the helm of the richest nations in the developed world, the desperate and constant attempts to conceal and cover-up each stream of mistakes resulted in pandemonium by the middle of the year. This book details the players, the histories, and the agendas driving all the activity you were blissfully unaware of as you were sat at home, perhaps wondering why there was such a huge disconnect between what was being played on TV and the real world outside your living room window. *The First Casualty* digs deep into who supplied the data for COVID-19 deaths, which

ludicrously, main stream media claims was responsible for taking the lives of 600 times the number of people that the significantly deadlier SARS-Cov-1 virus did in 2003. To gain the astounding insights revealed in this book (which go as far up as the highest offices in the world), Pulsawat Harrison spent thousands of hours conducting and reviewing private interviews with government and healthcare sources, reviewing medical patents, private government documents and transcripts of conversations between parties. The First Casualty brings to light an ongoing conflict in our society, one that is not racial, nor medical, nor even economic. Instead, it is far more fundamental - it is our conflict with the truth. The story of the six-day battle that began the War in Afghanistan and how it set the scene for twenty years of conflict.

Armed with a powerful laser, a terrorist group threatens the US—and one government agent must race to recover the weapon before it's too late. Air France Flight 447 is high above the Atlantic, making its way through a patch of turbulence, when its instruments begin to fail. Pilot and crew fight to regain control as the plane plummets from the sky, but death comes before they even hit the water. When investigators pick through the wrecked aircraft and desiccated bodies, they can reach only one conclusion: Flight 447 disintegrated in mid-air. The cause was a laser, the likes of which the world has never known. Based on the mad dreams of Nikola Tesla, the weapon's destructive powers are immeasurable, and it has fallen into the hands of Al Qaeda—or its allies. It's up to Jason Peters—a highly

trained government operative who was beginning to get bored with his retirement—to recover the laser to safety. Ending this threat will force him to shed quite a bit of terrorist blood, but Peters has never minded getting dirty for the sake of Uncle Sam.

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