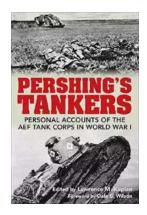
# Personal Accounts of the AEF Tank Corps in World War I



World War I was a period of immense turmoil, with countries clashing and soldiers sacrificing their lives to fight for their nations. In the midst of this chaos, the American Expeditionary Forces (AEF) Tank Corps played a crucial role in shaping history. Ausa Books presents a collection of captivating personal accounts that shed light on the experiences of these brave tank soldiers during the war.

#### The Rise of the Tank Corps

At the outbreak of World War I, tanks were considered experimental machines rather than fully-developed weapons. However, as the war progressed, the importance of armored vehicles became evident. The AEF recognized the potential of tanks in warfare and created the Tank Corps in 1918.



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The Tank Corps consisted of dedicated soldiers who were willing to face the challenges posed by these new machines. These soldiers underwent rigorous training and preparation to operate the tanks effectively. Their accounts give us an insider's perspective into the development of tank warfare and the psychological impact it had on the soldiers.

#### The Human Side of the Tank Corps

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Behind the mechanical prowess of tanks, there were real people who formed the backbone of the Tank Corps. The personal accounts offered by Ausa Books allow readers to connect with the emotions, struggles, and triumphs of the tank soldiers.



These personal stories reveal the camaraderie that developed between tank crews, as they relied on each other for survival amidst the chaos of the battlefield. They recount tales of fear and valor, of overwhelming obstacles and unimaginable bravery. Through their words, we witness the resilience and determination that drove these soldiers forward in their fight.

#### **Untold Stories of Heroism**

The personal accounts compiled by Ausa Books encompass a range of remarkable episodes from the war. From daring tank actions to intense battles, these stories provide a vivid picture of the intricacies of tank warfare and the perils faced by the tank soldiers.

We learn about the courage displayed in the face of enemy fire and the skills required to navigate these massive machines across treacherous terrain. These accounts also shed light on the sacrifices made by the Tank Corps, highlighting the valor and dedication of these unsung heroes.

#### A Legacy of Courage and Innovation

The efforts of the AEF Tank Corps during World War I marked a significant milestone in the evolution of armored warfare. Through their determination and adaptability, tank soldiers pioneered new tactics and strategies that later shaped military doctrines worldwide.

These personal accounts provide readers with a deep appreciation for the innovations and sacrifices of the Tank Corps. They allow us to grasp the magnitude of their contributions and the legacy they left behind in the annals of military history.

#### **Explore the Personal Accounts of the AEF Tank Corps**

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Immerse yourself in the rich history of the Tank Corps through the eyes of those who were there.

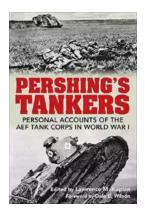
Experience the triumphs and tribulations of the tank soldiers as they fought valiantly against all odds. Learn about their fears, their victories, and the bonds forged in the heat of battle. Find inspiration in these personal accounts that transcend time and remind us of the sacrifices made by those who came before us.

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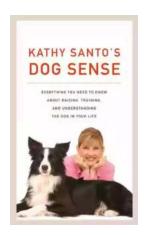
After the United States declared war against Germany in April 1917, the US Army established the Tank Corps to help break the deadlock of trench warfare in France. The army envisioned having a large tank force by 1919, but when the war ended in November 1918, only three tank battalions had participated in combat operations. Shortly after, Brigadier Gen. Samuel D. Rockenbach, chief of the American Expeditionary Forces (AEF) Tank Corps under Gen. John J. Pershing, issued a memorandum to many of his officers to write brief accounts of their experiences that would supplement official records. Their narratives varied in size, scope, and depth, and covered a range of topics, including the organizing, training, and equipping of the tank corps.

For the first time since these reports were submitted, Pershing's Tankers:

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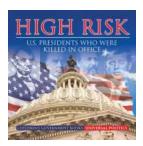
The book provides fresh insight into the establishment and combat operations of the tank corps, including six personal letters written by Col. George S. Patton Jr., who commanded a tank brigade in World War I. Congressional testimony, letters, and a variety of journal, magazine, and newspaper articles in this collection provide additional context to the officers' revealing accounts. Based on completely new sources that include official US Army personnel reports previously unknown to researchers, this illuminating work offers a vivid picture of

life and activities in the US Army Tank Corps in France; a rare glimpse into the thoughts and experiences of a broad cross-section of men from the senior leadership down to the platoon level; and a behind-the-scenes look at how this first generation of "tankers" helped develop new war-fighting capabilities for the US Army.



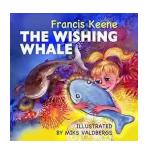
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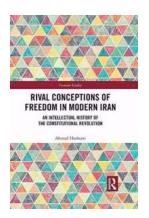
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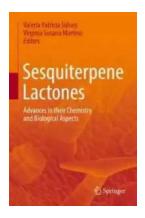
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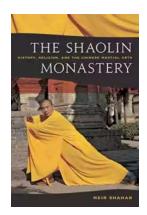
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