

# The Untold Story: The Creation Of The Army And The Invasion That Opened The West

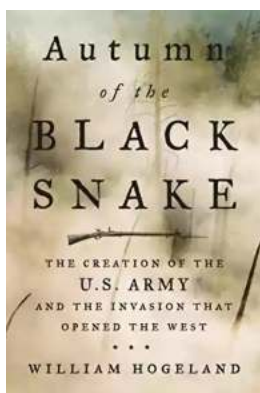


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## The Birth of an Army

In the late 1800s, as the United States expanded westward, a need arose to establish a formidable military force capable of asserting control over the vast new territories. This marked the birth of the US Army as we know it today. A diverse group of brave men and women joined forces, united by a common goal: to protect the nation and pioneer the uncharted lands of the West.



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## The Invasion That Altered History

One fateful day, General William Tecumseh Sherman announced the initiation of an unprecedented military operation. The invasion that followed would forever alter the course of history, opening up the West for settlement and transforming the United States into a dominant force on the global stage.

As the Army marched westward, they encountered untamed landscapes, fierce Native American tribes, and harsh weather conditions. However, their unwavering determination and unbreakable spirit propelled them forward, overcoming every obstacle that came their way.

## **Challenges and Triumphs**

The Army faced numerous challenges during their conquest of the West. They often found themselves outnumbered and outgunned, yet their ingenuity and resourcefulness led to remarkable triumphs.

One such triumph was the construction of strategic forts along the frontier. These forts served as strongholds, providing the Army with a secure base from which they could launch further expeditions. They also established peaceful relations with some Native American tribes, forging alliances that ensured the success of their mission.

## **Legacy and Impact**

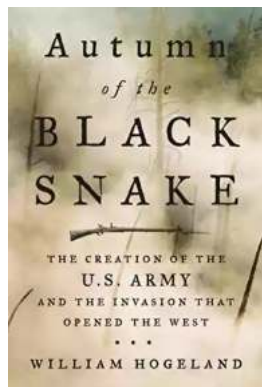
The creation of the Army and the subsequent invasion brought about profound changes in the West. Towns and cities sprouted like mushrooms, vast stretches of land were settled, and the foundations for a prosperous future were laid.

The Army's presence in the West not only secured the nation's borders but also served as a catalyst for economic growth and cultural exchange. The arrival of settlers brought new ideas, technologies, and industries, shaping the region into what it is today.

The creation of the Army and the invasion that opened the West were pivotal moments in American history. They showcased the resilience and determination of the men and women who shaped the nation's destiny. The legacy of their

efforts can still be felt today, reminding us of the remarkable achievements that come from unity and perseverance.

As we look back on this untold story, let us remember the sacrifices made and the extraordinary spirit that fueled the creation of the Army and the invasion that opened the West.



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The forgotten story of how the U.S. Army was created to fight a crucial Indian war

In 1783, with the signing of the Peace of Paris, the American Revolution was complete. And yet even as the newly independent United States secured peace with Great Britain, it found itself losing an escalating military conflict on its borderlands. The enemy was the indigenous people of the Ohio Valley, who rightly saw the new nation as a threat to their existence. In 1791, years of skirmishes, raids, and quagmires climaxed in the grisly defeat of a motley collection of irregular American militiamen by a brilliantly organized confederation of Shawnee, Miami, and Delaware Indians—with nearly one thousand U.S.

casualties, the worst defeat the nation would ever suffer at native hands.

Americans were shocked, perhaps none more so than their commander in chief, George Washington, who came to a fateful : the United States needed an army.

*Autumn of the Black Snake* tells how the early republic battled the coalition of Indians that came closer than any adversary, before or since, to halting the nation's expansion. In evocative and absorbing prose, William Hogeland conjures up the woodland battles and the hardball politics that formed the Legion of the United States, the country's first true standing army. His memorable portraits of soldiers and leaders on both sides—from the daring war chiefs Blue Jacket and Little Turtle to the doomed Richard Butler and a steely, even ruthless Washington—drive a tale of horrific violence, brilliant strategizing, stupendous blunders, and valorous deeds. This sweeping account, at once exciting and dark, builds to a crescendo as Washington and Alexander Hamilton, at enormous risk, outmaneuver Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, and other skeptics of standing armies—and Washington appoints General “Mad” Anthony Wayne to lead the Legion. Wayne marches into the forests of the Old Northwest, where the very Indians he is charged with defeating will bestow on him, with grudging admiration, a new name: Black Snake.

*Autumn of the Black Snake* is a dramatic work of military and political history, told in a colorful, sometimes startling blow-by-blow narrative. It is also an original interpretation of how greed, honor, political beliefs, and vivid personalities converged on the killing fields of the Ohio Valley, where the U.S. Army's first victory opened the way to western settlement and established the precedent that the new nation would possess a military to reckon with.



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