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Connecting 2018 Book Edition

Colleagues,

Good Wednesday morning!

Two days before Black Friday, Connecting gives you a head start on your gift-buying for the upcoming holidays. What better gift to give than a book from one of your colleagues?

Here is a list of their books written in the past year, as submitted by the authors. If you would like to contact an author, her or his email address is listed right after the name.

And, don't forget about [AP Books](#) - that link you see in each day's Connecting masthead. The site offers a wide variety of books tied to the news. And the AP Stylebook.

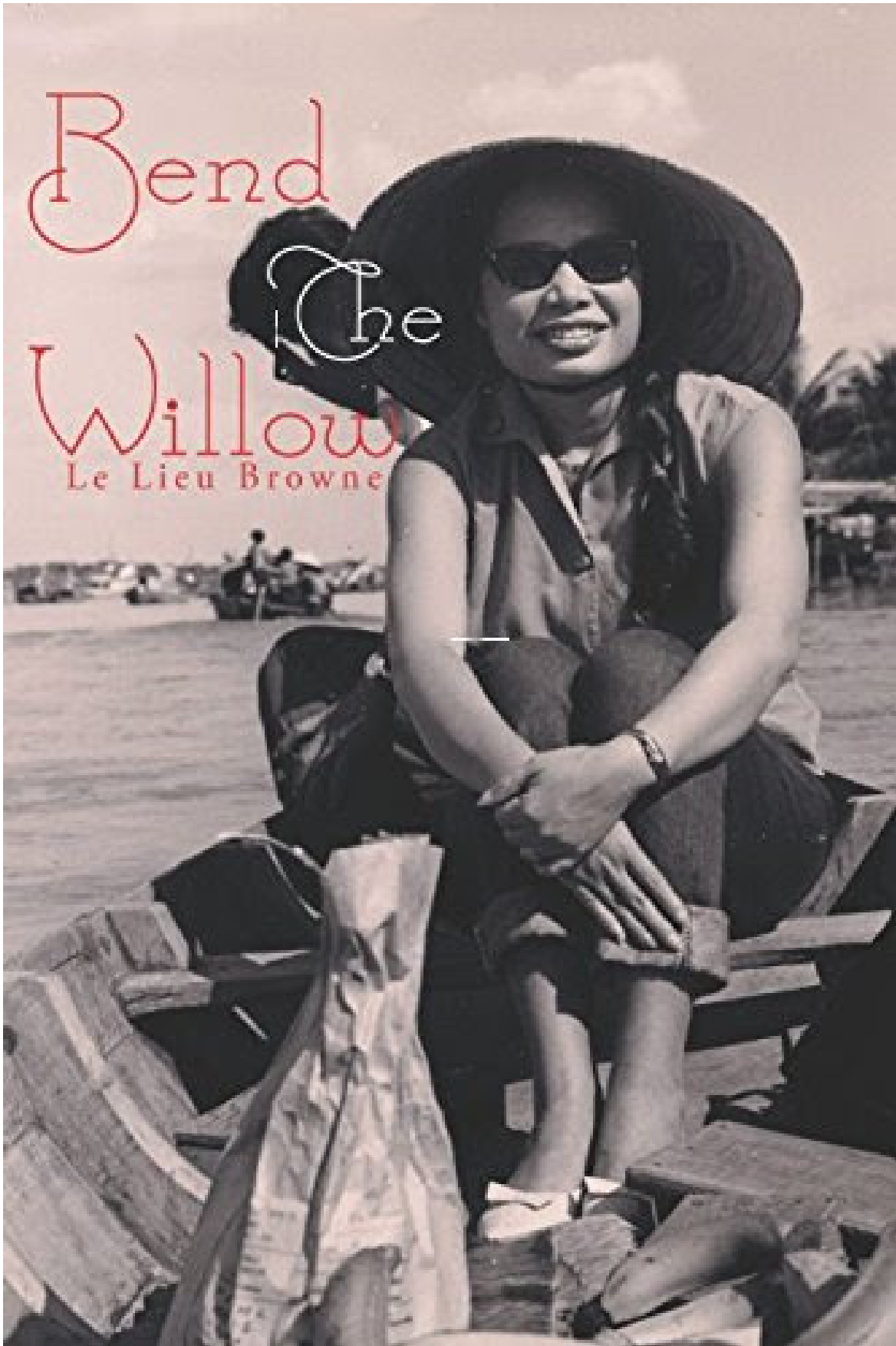


Finally, it's been 40 years since the television series WKRP In Cincinnati aired its famous Turkey Drop episode, a Thanksgiving tradition like no other. [Click here](#) to read more. That's newsman Les Nessman, played by Richard Sanders, describing the scene in the photo above.

Enjoy, and have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Paul

Bend the Willow



Lelieu Browne (Email) - Here, in Le Lieu Browne's words, is life and death in Vietnam as most Americans have never seen it before, seen through the eyes of a South Vietnamese woman who understood the fatal flaws of both sides of the war. Here also she recounts her and Malcolm's later adventures in foreign reporting posts from Asia to the Balkans to South America. And, finally, she tells the heartbreaking story of coming home with her husband to the United States to care for him until his death in 2012 from complications of Parkinson's disease. Read this book to be inspired and uplifted by the power of the human spirit even in the face of terrible adversity.

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Refugee News, Refugee Politics: Journalism, Public Opinion and Policymaking in Europe

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Edited by
Giovanna Dell'Orto
and **Irmgard Wetzstein**

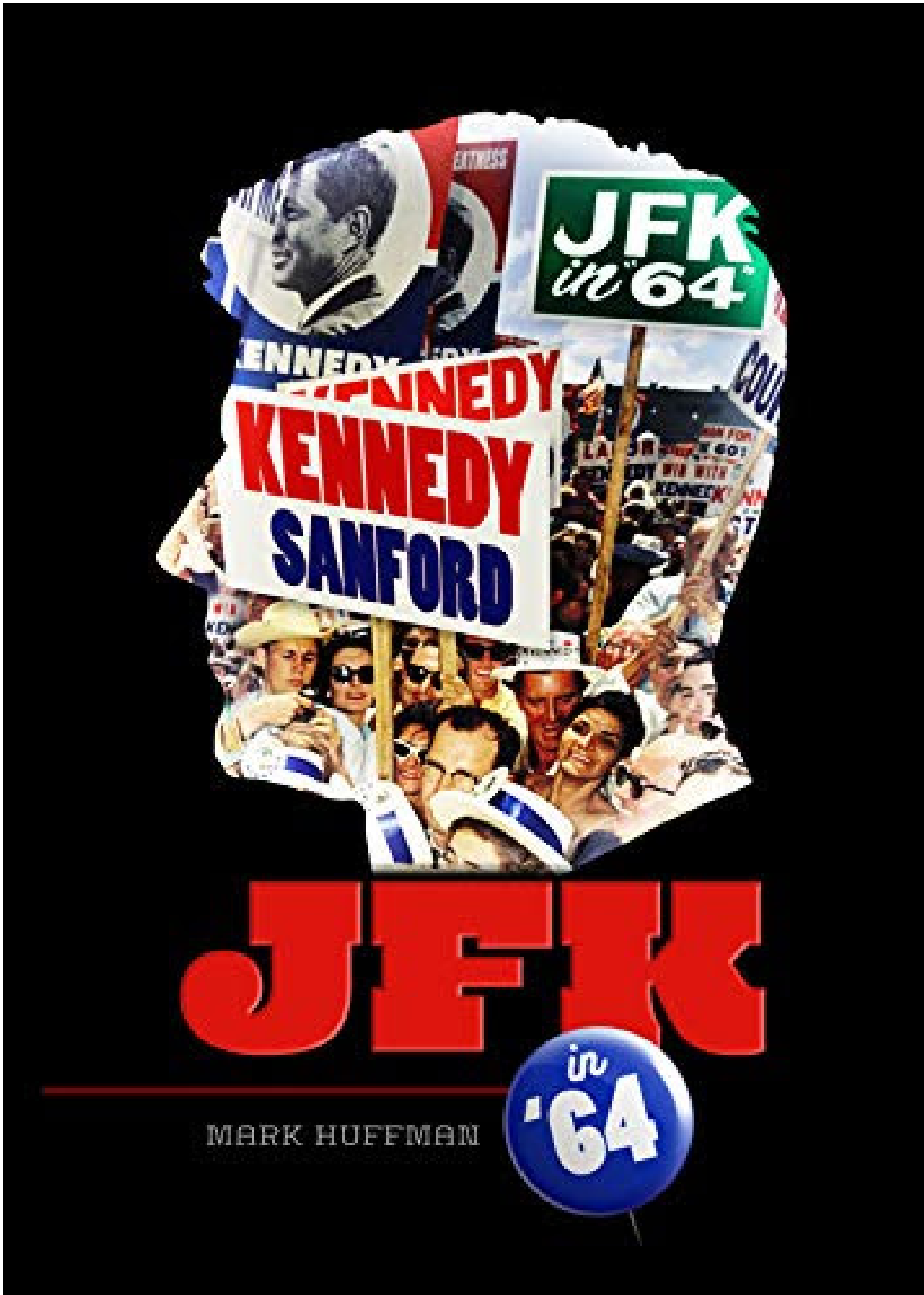


Giovanna Dell'Orto (Email) - The book offers both the latest academic research and candid frontline insights to understand the intersecting influences of journalistic practices, news discourses, public opinion and policymaking on migration and refugees, one of the most polarizing issues of our time. Focusing on the mid-2010s crisis in Greece, Germany and Austria, it features more than 30 contributors from academia, civil society organizations, and national and international media -- including a fabulous chapter by the AP's own Dave Rising in Berlin and Elena Becatoros in Athens on the challenges of fact-checking refugee stories, as well as a touching essay by AP's Northern Greece stringer Costas Kantouris. The book provides groundbreaking analysis of the complex impacts of the news media on the thorny and long-lasting sociopolitical dilemmas raised by the integration of hundreds of thousands of asylum-seekers in EU countries. (Edited by Giovanna Dell'Orto and Irmgard Wetzstein, Routledge: 2018).

Link (add this code to get a 30% discount: RNRP230): <https://www.routledge.com/Refugee-News-Refugee-Politics-Journalism-Public-Opinion-and-Policymaking/DellOrto-Wetzstein/p/book/9781138485389>

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JFK in '64: A Novel



Mark Huffman ([Email](#)) - On November 22, 1963, President John F. Kennedy visited Dallas, where the course of history changed. But not the way you think.

In this telling of the story, events occur that prevent the president's motorcade from reaching Dealey Plaza where assassins wait. The traumatic memories of that weekend never exist.

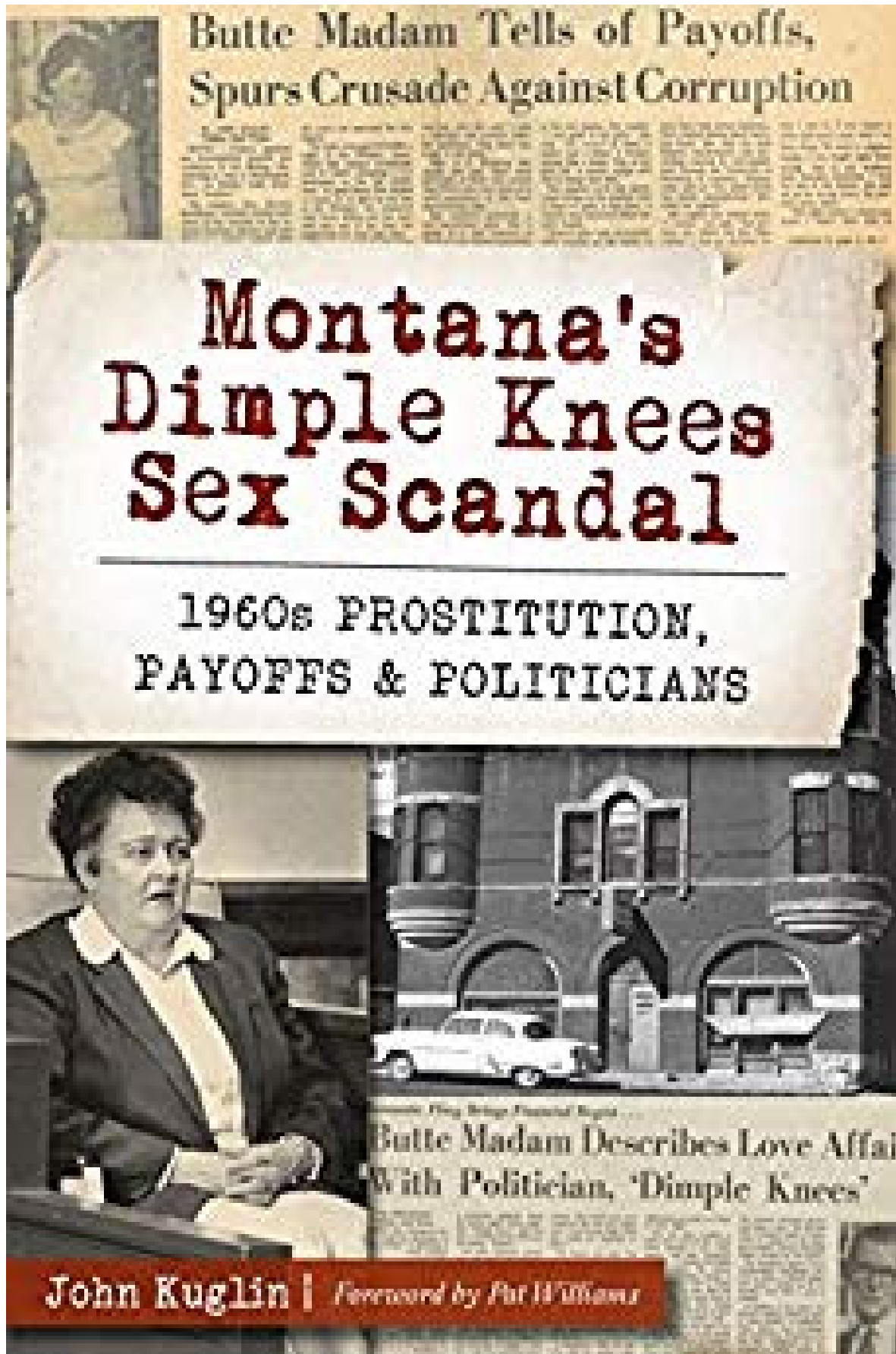
In this parallel universe, the president returns to Washington and begins plotting his campaign for reelection while trying to keep a lid on America's racial cauldron, dealing with volatile international issues, and coping with increasing physical infirmities that threaten his political future. Meanwhile, Lyndon Johnson barely escapes jail and becomes Washington's first super-lobbyist.

Historians have often wondered what would have happened had JFK not died in 1963. Mark Huffman imagines what 1964 would have been like.

Available at Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1728666686/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o00_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

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Montana Dimple Knees Sex Scandal: 1960s Prostitution, Payoffs & Politicians



John Kuglin (Email) - Former Montana-Wyoming COB John Kuglin has written a book titled ``Montana Dimple Knees Sex Scandal: 1960s Prostitution, Payoffs & Politicians." Beverly Snodgrass made a lot of poor choices. Once a prostitute in the old mining town of Butte, she later became a madam running two of the most popular brothels. She fell deeply in love with a crooked official, whom she nicknamed ``Dimple Knees." When corrupt cops in uniform came to her businesses, it usually wasn't to serve and protect but rather to collect payoffs. Butte is sometimes described as a town that drinks her liquor straight," but things were never the same after Beverly told her story to a newspaper reporter for The Great Falls (Mont.) Tribune. That reporter, John Kuglin, recounts the scandal that rocked The Richest Hill on Earth and for a time made Dimple Knees the most famous name in Montana. Released in June 2018 by The History Press. Paperback, \$21.99. Available in book stores, on the Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Walmart and Target web sites, and a number of foreign countries. The publisher will pay all royalties from the book to Butte Citizens for Preservation and Revitalization.

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Adventures of a Boy on the Bus

ADVENTURES OF A BOY ON THE BUS

Five decades as a Washington journalist



Carl P. Leubsdorf

Carl P. Leubsdorf (Email) - "Adventures of a Boy on the Bus," Carl P.

Leubsdorf's entertaining memoir of his nearly six decades covering the American political scene, reveals the story behind some of the major political stories of the last half century, during 15 years with AP, where he became its chief political reporter; five years at The Baltimore Sun; and his long tenure with The Dallas Morning News, where he was Washington Bureau chief for 28 years and still writes a weekly column.

He writes why associates of Hubert Humphrey blamed him for President Lyndon Johnson's lack of full support in 1968 and how George McGovern's matter-of-fact comment in an exclusive interview prompted the 1972 Democratic nominee's infamous statement he was 1000 percent behind a running mate he soon dropped.

He explains why McGovern believed that famed television anchor Walter Cronkite would have accepted an invitation to join the 1972 Democratic ticket, possibly reversing one of the worst defeats in U.S. presidential history.

Leubsdorf also reveals a top Iowa Republican told him years after the elder George Bush's breakthrough victory in the 1980 caucuses that his triumph would not have survived the completed vote count. That could have changed the course of history and meant neither Bush would have reached the White House.

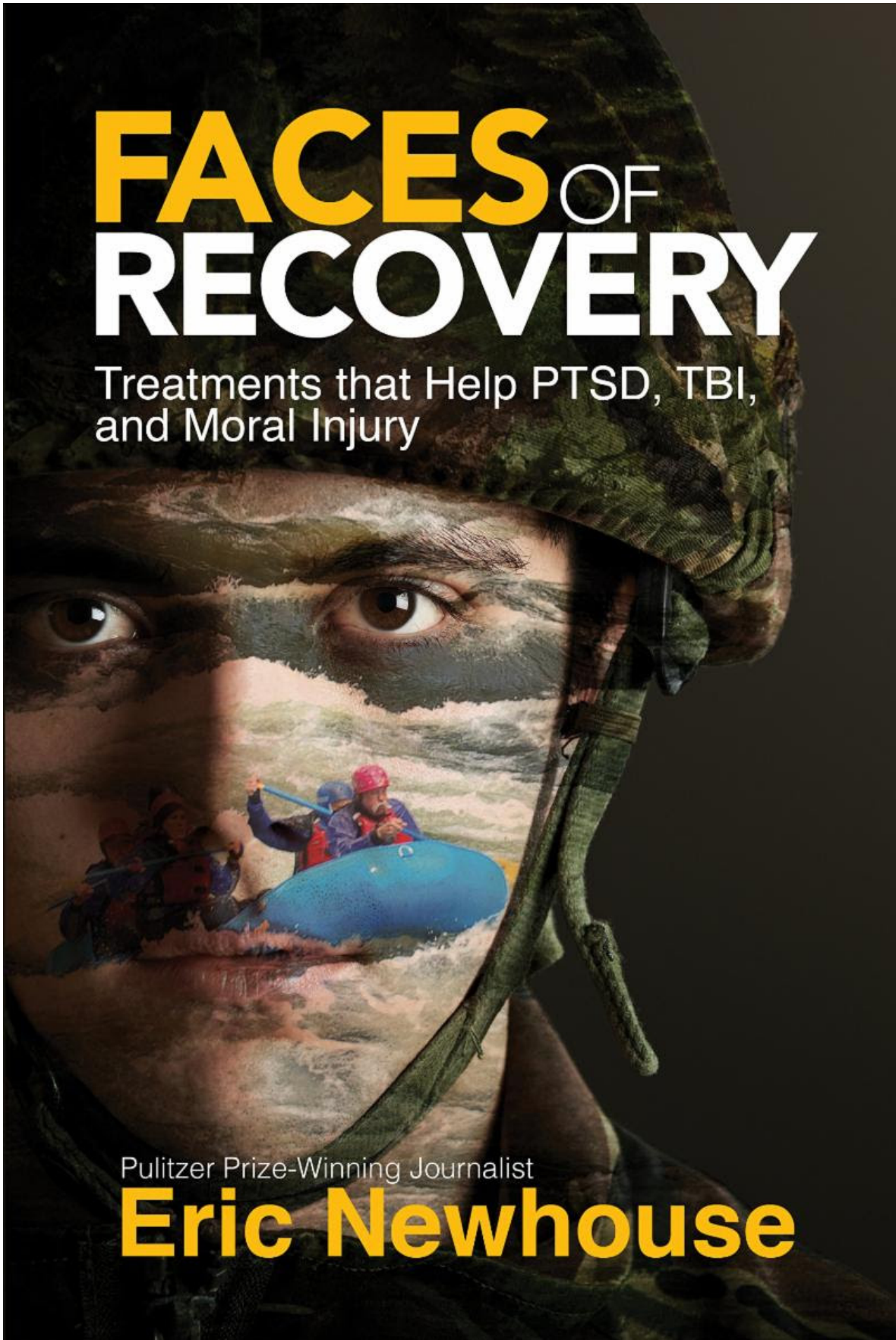
He discloses a sensational 1998 story detailing President Bill Clinton's relationship with White House intern Monica Lewinsky _ which The Dallas Morning News felt compelled to retract _ was, in fact, true, and details how the entire episode unfolded.

Judy Woodruff, anchor of the PBS NewsHour, said it "reads like a novel," and longtime AP Special Correspondent Walter R. Mears says Leubsdorf "tells of a more personal kind of politics than is possible with non-stop cable television and the Internet."

Available through Politics and Prose Book Store, Washington, DC,
<https://www.politics-prose.com/book/9781624291647>

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Faces of Recovery



Eric Newhouse (Email) - Moral Injury is a disorder that's becoming widely recognized among combat vets, and it's a main focus of my newest book, *Faces of Recovery: Treatments that help PTSD, TBI and Moral Injury*.

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World War II was America's last defensive war. Since then, we've fought wars of aggression, invading and occupying other countries for political, strategic and economic reasons. Vietnam was a good example. Most of our soldiers couldn't justify in their own minds why they had been sent there, and they came home feeling betrayed by a government that put them in harm's way for no good reason.

Even worse, many were forced to kill to avoid being killed. When they returned home, they could no longer trust others, nor could they trust themselves. Here are three very necessary beliefs, which may be shattered by events that violently contradict them: 1) that the world is benevolent; 2) that the world is meaningful; and 3) that the self is worthy. Instead, the morally injured begin to think with increasing frequency that the world *can't* be good and that he/she *can't* be good.

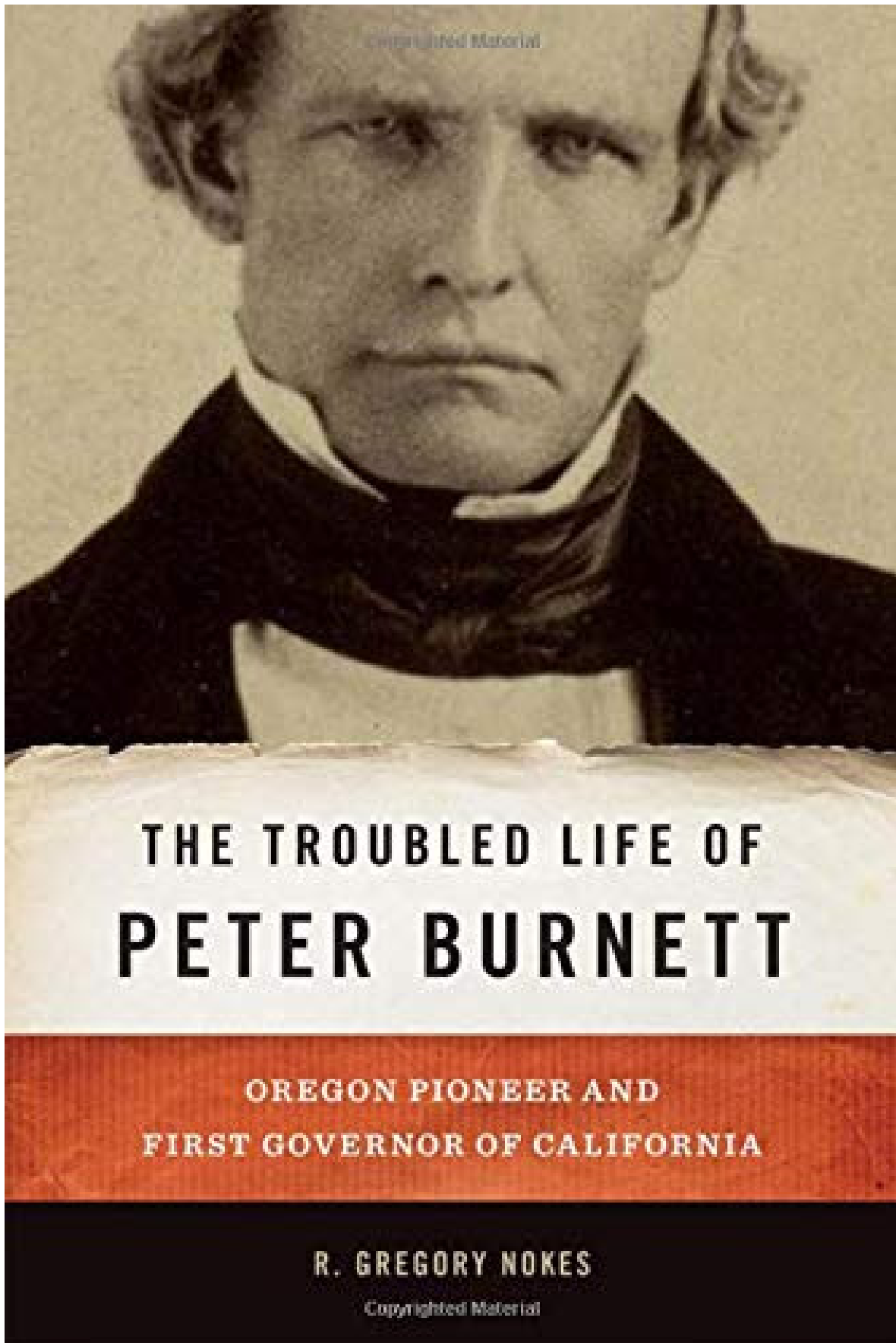
This book tells the stories of many combat vets who enlisted as patriotic kids, but came home disillusioned, cynical and angry.

But it also prescribes a treatment plan that is largely Biblical: forgiving those who put you in harm's way, making atonement for what you have done, forgiving yourself, and vigorous exercise which creates new neurons that alleviate anxiety and depression.

[Faces of Recovery](#) is available at bookstores, Amazon, and my Web site: www.ericnewhouse.com . For a signed copy, send a check for \$20 to Eric Newhouse, 141 Rosetta Lane, Charleston WV 25311.

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The Troubled Life of Peter Burnett: Oregon Pioneer and First Governor of California



R. Gregory Nokes (Email) - "For someone who would one day be elected governor of California, it was not an auspicious beginning. Peter Burnett shot and

killed a man."

So begins R. Gregory Nokes' new biography, *The Troubled Life of Peter Burnett*, published by Oregon State University Press in 2018. This is Greg's third non-fiction book, following *Massacred for Gold: The Chinese in Hells Canyon* (2009) and *Breaking Chains: Slavery on Trial in the Oregon Territory* (2013).

As with Greg's earlier books, *Troubled Life* is told in dramatic style. It follows Burnett from his early failed attempts to make a fortune in his native Tennessee; to Missouri where as a self-taught attorney he joins the defense team for Mormon leader Joseph Smith following the 1838 Mormon War; to his role in leading the famed 1843 wagon train to Oregon, known as "The Great Migration," and finally to California where he helps establish Sacramento and is overwhelmingly elected governor in 1849.

The book is much about racial attitudes in the early West as Burnett seeks to enact policies to ensure that only whites are welcome in the West. He wins enactment of an exclusion law against blacks in Oregon, and nearly succeeds in a similar law in California. After many missteps, he resigns in disgrace as governor, only to win appointment a few years later to the California Supreme Court where he issues a blatantly racist ruling in "Ex Parte Archy" in 1858, a case involving a former slave.

Burnett's racism, directed also at Chinese and Native Americans, over-shadowed his significant achievements in helping extend American government over both Oregon and California.

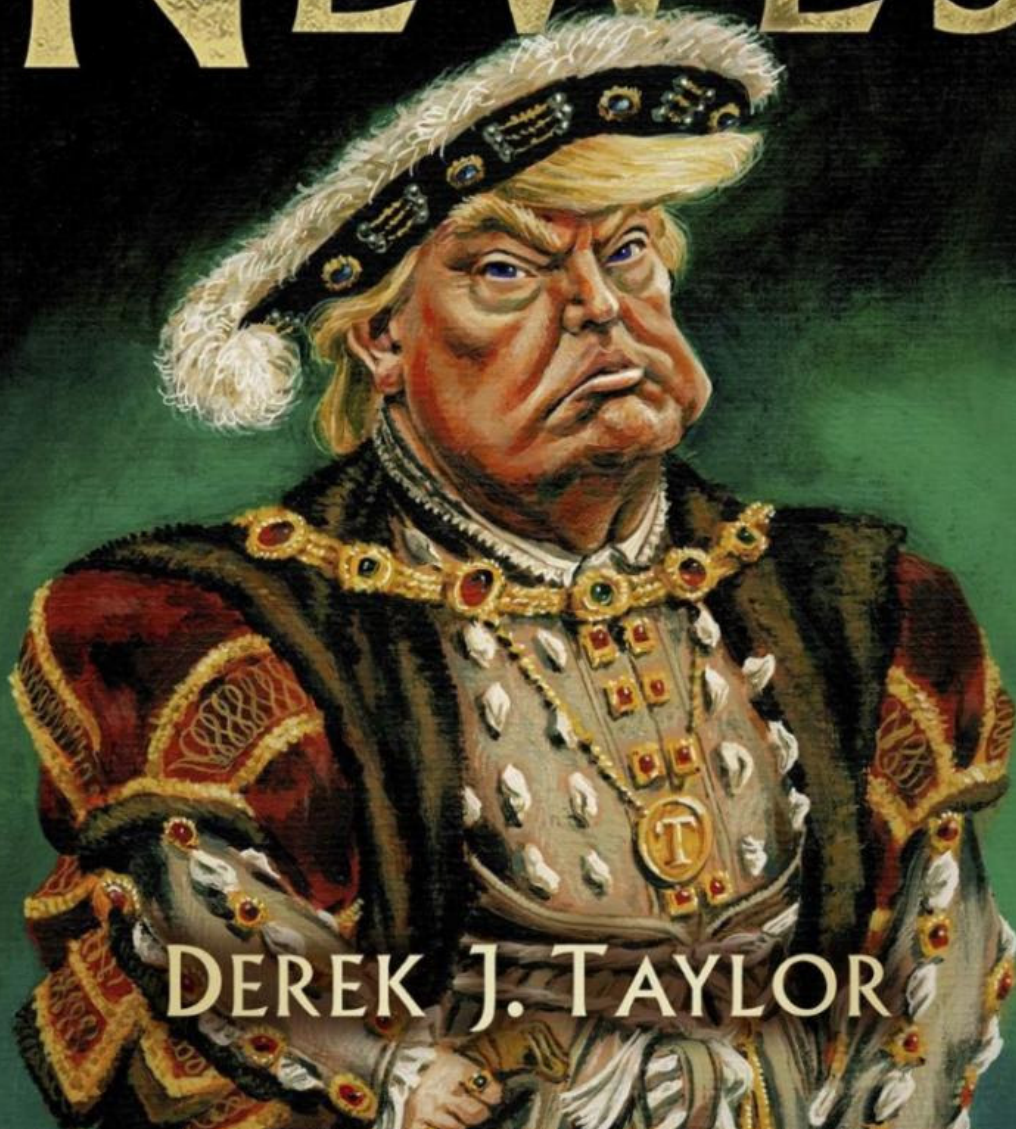
"The Troubled Life of Peter Burnett: Oregon Pioneer and First Governor of California" by R. Gregory Nokes is available from Amazon or ordered from most bookstores. More on Greg and his books at gregnokes.com

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Fayke News - The Media vs the Mighty from Henry VIII to Donald Trump

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FROM HENRY VIII TO DONALD TRUMP

FAYKE NEWES



DEREK J. TAYLOR

Derek Taylor (Email) - 'Fake news.' 'Dishonest press.' 'Racist.' 'Mentally unstable.'

The insults President Trump and the American news media hurl at each other are nothing new. In Tudor England, printed papers branded the monarch a 'horrible monster,' and were in turn accused of publishing 'false fables.' Ever since the invention of the printing press, those in power have seen mass communication as a threat, usurping their ability to tell people what to think, and capable of stirring up discontent and even rebellion.

In *Fayke Newes*, international correspondent and former Managing Director of *APTN*, Derek Taylor tracks this long and bloody fight through the lives of the men and women who got caught up in it. On a journey through the centuries, we discover that neither governments nor journalists have always told the truth.

During the American Revolution, newspapers - by providing fast reliable information - helped unite the colonists, so laying the groundwork for the First Amendment. The press however hasn't always been the bulwark of democracy the founding fathers envisaged, especially in times of crisis. Journalists became propaganda tools during the Civil War, and during WW2, for instance, helped conceal how General Patton slapped soldiers he thought were malingering.

In an analysis of reporting during Vietnam, Taylor argues that it was newspapers, rather than - as is often thought - TV, that were the real opinion-formers. And at the high point of journalistic achievement in the US, Watergate, he reveals how the *AP* scooped the *Washington Post* on the day the story broke.

In our own time, when social media has put mass communication in the hands of anyone with a smart-phone - from a US President, to any crank, liar or foreign enemy - Taylor asks: What hope for the rest of us who just want to know what's really going on?

***Fayke Newes* is on offer to ex-AP staffers at a 35% discount. Go to www.ipgbook.com/faykenewes And at check-out, enter promo code: FAYKENEWES**

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Triumph on Baker Road: How the Walsh Family Defeated Polio

Triumph ON Baker Road

How the Walsh Family Defeated Polio



By Rose Walsh Landers and Mike Waller

With Sue Walsh Cocoma

Durand's Marvelous Merchants: A Tale of Small-Town Life and Big-Time Softball

DURAND'S

Marvelous Merchants

Second Edition



A Tale of Small-Town Life
and Big-Time Softball

Mike Waller

Mike Waller (Email) - I have completed two books in the past several months. The first is "Triumph on Baker Road: How the Walsh Family Defeated Polio." I wrote it with two of the Walsh sisters, Rose Walsh Landers and Sue Walsh Cocoma. It's the story of Keron and Anne Walsh, and their 14 children who lived on a farm 5 miles north of the little town of Durand, Ill., (population 500) where I grew up. In September and October of 1955, 11 of the children were diagnosed with polio, just before the polio vaccine was readily available.

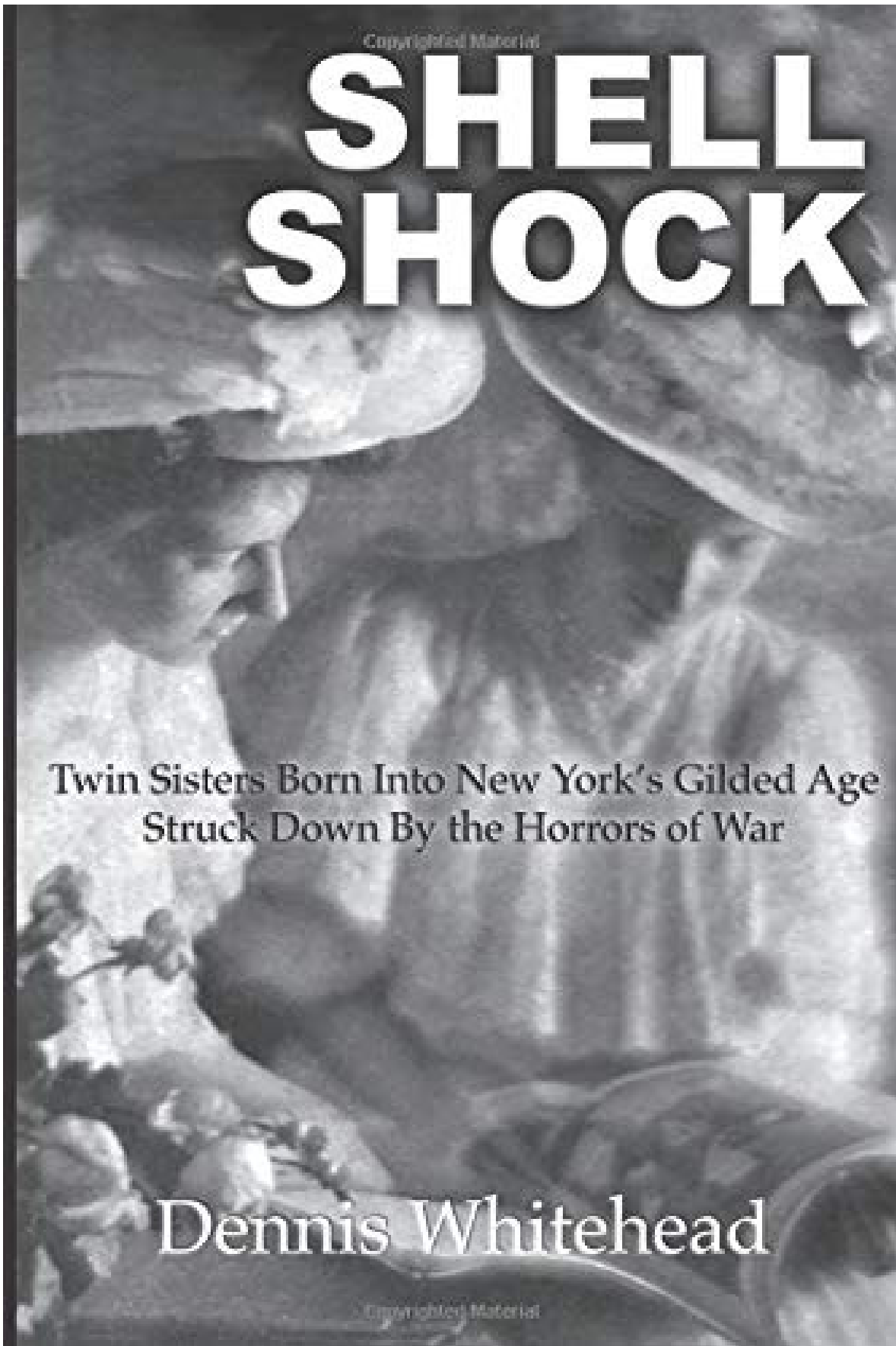
Thus began a two-year siege that the Walsh family confronted with courage, prayers and their strong Catholic faith. They received never-ending support from their families, their hometown and from across the nation. In all, they received more than 1,500 letters and thousands of dollars from around the world.

The other book I just finished is the Second Edition of "Durand's Marvelous Merchants: A Tale of Small-Town Life and Big-Time Softball." I wrote the original book 11 years ago and added 22 pages of new material and 15 more photographs in the revised edition. It's a story of a bunch of farm boys back from World War II who played fast-pitch softball and from 1949 to 1954 won 80 per cent of their games with big-city teams from Rockford and Freeport, Ill., and Beloit, Wis. My uncle Roy Wilke was the star pitcher. It's also a mini-memoir about growing up in a small town in the 1940s and 1950s.

Both books are available on [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and the softball book is available on Kindle.

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Shell Shock



Dennis Whitehead (Email) - Shell Shock is a Kindle short-read running around 50 pages. Shell Shock is the true story of the twin Cromwell sisters and the tragedy following their service with the American Red Cross on the battlefields of World War I France. As I like to interweave images with text, something Kindle Paperwhite devices hate, I posted two versions of the book - one for Paperwhite (<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B07HP986TT>), another for graphics-capable devices (<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B07FPJ8QP5>), and a print version. Links to these can be found at <http://cromwell.mmimedia.com>. A French-language version has been also been added - ASIN: B07KFPBH9B

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Kidnapped by Columbus

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Marc Wilson

Floricanto Press



Marc Wilson (Email) - Kidnapped by Columbus, by Connecting colleague Marc Wilson, is an historical novel published earlier this year by Floricanto Press.

The book chronicles the true story of six Native Americans who were kidnapped and taken to Spain by Columbus in 1493 to prove to Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand that he had reached India. The book is narrated in the first-person voice by one of the six kidnapped Native Americans, a 14-year-old Taino who secretly is taught Spanish by a banned Jew.

After returning to Spain, Columbus and his troupe - including the "Indians" - make an 800-mile cross country trip through Castile to the royal court in Barcelona, where the "Indians meet some of the major characters of the era, including Isabella, Ferdinand, Catherine of Aragon, Grand Inquisitor Tomas Torquemada, and the ill-fated Prince Juan. They are present when Isabella and Ferdinand receive the papal bull from Pope Alexander VI (the infamous Rodrigo Borgia) that cedes to Spain any lands "discovered" by Columbus -- the beginning of the vast and cruel Spanish Empire.

The book has received top reviews from Kirkus Reviews, Amazon, the OnlineBookClub.org, and others.

Kirkus Reviews said the book is "an intriguing and dynamic tale about six victims of early European colonialism."

The Online Book Club reviewer said, "This novel offers real insight into a very dark point in history...that lay behind the terrible human tragedy that was to follow. I give this book a rating of four out of four stars and recommend it to all fans of historical fiction..."

Statepoint Media said, "This cinematic novel contributes greatly to the debate over how the historical figure of Christopher Columbus should be judged today."

The book is available on Amazon https://www.amazon.com/Kidnapped-Columbus-Marc-Wilson/dp/1981434321/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1540223181&sr=8-1&keywords=kidnapped+by+columbus

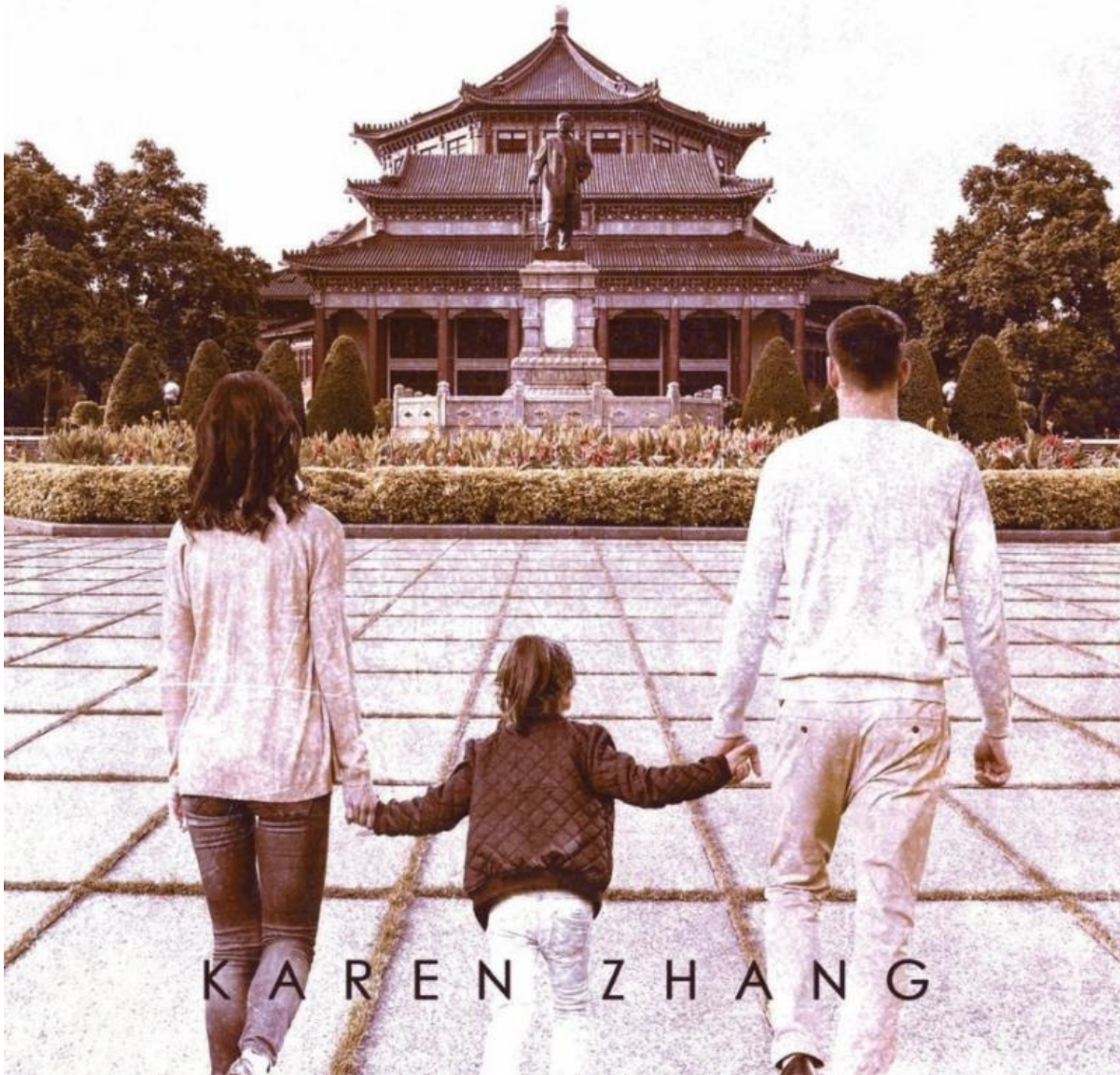
Wilson is willing to mail Connecting colleagues a signed copy at a discounted price of \$15. He can be reached at marcus@townnews.com.

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Golden Orchid: The True Story of An Only Child in Contemporary China

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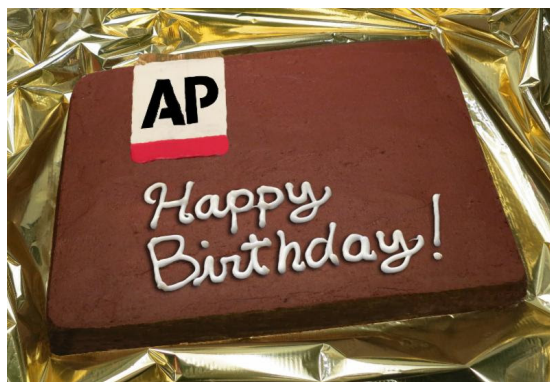
K A R E N Z H A N G

Karen Zhang (Email) - Amid the hustle and bustle of a teeming, contemporary Guangzhou (also known better in the West as Canton), capital of Guangdong, one of China's richest provinces, an ordinary blue-collar family of three copes with a life-threatening crisis. As an only child -- the product of China's harsh one-child policy -- the daughter of the family must care by tradition for her mother who is in the late stage of colon cancer. This sensitively written book is the story of that struggle. That child also takes the reader back in time to see remarkably the marriage of her parents through the eyes of that only child.

Growing up alone without the love and support of a sibling, the child bears alone the filial responsibility so deeply influenced by traditional Chinese culture. She must deal with the dilemma of keeping secret from her mother the terminal nature of her cancer, a withholding demanded by a culture that finds it difficult to face such a tragedy. Often, patients never are told about the seriousness of their conditions. And in a twist of fate, does her mother really know, keeping that same secret from her family? Her mother's deathbed account of her life changes the daughter's understanding of her parents' generation.

This true life story is unique both in its depiction of ordinary life in today's China and its universal picture of an ordinary family dealing with its past and facing its grim future. This young woman, typical of China's one-child generation, tells a tale that ranges from tragic to comic, revealing human frailty as well as faith and extraordinary courage.

Connecting wishes Happy Birthday



to

Andrew Selsky - aselsky@ap.org

Today in History - November 21, 2018



By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 21, the 325th day of 2018. There are 40 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 21, 1980, 87 people died in a fire at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.

On this date:

In 1789, North Carolina became the 12th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1922, Rebecca L. Felton, a Georgia Democrat, was sworn in as the first woman to serve in the U.S. Senate; her term, the result of an interim appointment, ended the following day as Walter F. George, the winner of a special election, took office.

In 1927, picketing strikers at the Columbine Mine in northern Colorado were fired on by state police; six miners were killed.

In 1931, the Universal horror film "Frankenstein," starring Boris Karloff as the monster and Colin Clive as his creator, was first released.

In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Air Quality Act.

In 1969, the Senate voted down the Supreme Court nomination of Clement F. Haynsworth, 55-45, the first such rejection since 1930.

In 1979, a mob attacked the U-S Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan, killing two Americans.

In 1985, U.S. Navy intelligence analyst Jonathan Jay Pollard was arrested, accused of spying for Israel. (Pollard later pleaded guilty to espionage and was sentenced to life in prison; he was released on parole on Nov. 20, 2015.)

In 1992, a three-day tornado outbreak that struck 13 states began in the Houston area before spreading to the Midwest and eastern U.S.; 26 people were killed. Sen. Bob Packwood, R-Ore., issued an apology but refused to discuss allegations that he'd made unwelcome sexual advances toward ten women over the years. (Faced with a threat of expulsion, Packwood ended up resigning from the Senate in 1995.)

In 1995, Balkan leaders meeting in Dayton, Ohio, initialed a peace plan to end three and a-half years of ethnic fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

In 1997, U.N. arms inspectors returned to Iraq after Saddam Hussein's three-week standoff with the United Nations over the presence of Americans on the team.

In 2001, Otilie (AH'-tih-lee) Lundgren, a 94-year-old resident of Oxford, Conn., died of inhalation anthrax; she was the apparent last victim of a series of anthrax attacks carried out through the mail system.

Ten years ago: Wall Street staged a comeback, with the major indexes jumping more than 5 percent and the Dow Jones industrials surging nearly 500 points. Somali pirates released a hijacked Greek-owned tanker, MV Genius, with all 19 crew members safe and the oil cargo intact after payment of a ransom. (The ship had been seized almost two months earlier.) Madonna and Guy Ritchie were granted a preliminary decree of divorce by a London court.

Five years ago: Sweeping aside a century of precedent, Democrats took a chunk out of the Senate's hallowed filibuster tradition, clearing the way for speedy confirmation of controversial appointments made by President Barack Obama; Republicans warned Democrats would regret their actions once political fortunes were reversed and they could no longer block appointments made by a GOP president. Fifty-four people were killed in a supermarket roof collapse in Riga, Latvia. Three women were freed after being held captive 30 years in a south London home.

One year ago: President Donald Trump, who'd been silent for more than a week about the sexual assault allegations against Alabama Republican Senate candidate Roy Moore, discounted those allegations and said voters must not support Moore's "liberal" rival. Former teen pop idol David Cassidy, star of the 1970s sitcom "The Partridge Family," died at the age of 67; he'd announced earlier in the year that he had been diagnosed with dementia. Zimbabwe's 93-year-old president Robert Mugabe resigned; he was facing impeachment proceedings and had been placed under house arrest by the military.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Laurence Luckinbill is 84. Actress Marlo Thomas is 81. Actor Rick Lenz is 79. Singer Dr. John is 78. Actress Juliet Mills is 77. Basketball Hall of Famer Earl Monroe is 74. Television producer Marcy Carsey is 74. Actress Goldie Hawn is 73. Movie director Andrew Davis is 72. Rock musician Lonnie Jordan (War) is 70. Singer Livingston Taylor is 68. Actress-singer Lorna Luft is 66. Actress Cherry Jones is 62. Rock musician Brian Ritchie (The Violent Femmes) is 58. Gospel singer Steven Curtis Chapman is 56. Actress Nicollette Sheridan is 55. Singer-actress Bjork (byork) is 53. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Troy Aikman is 52. Rhythm-and-blues singer Chauncey Hannibal (BLACKstreet) is 50. Rock musician Alex James (Blur) is 50. Baseball Hall of Famer Ken Griffey Jr. is 49. TV personality Rib Hillis is 48. Rapper Pretty Lou (Lost Boyz) is 47. Football player-turned-TV personality Michael Strahan (STRAY'-han) is 47. Actress Rain Phoenix is 46. Country singer Kelsi Osborn (SHeDAISY) is 44. Actor Jimmi Simpson is 43. Singer-actress Lindsey Haun is 34. Actress Jena Malone is 34. Pop singer Carly Rae Jepsen is 33. Actor-singer Sam Palladio is 31.

Thought for Today: "Never confuse motion with action." - Ernest Hemingway, American author (1899-1961).

Got a story or photos to share?

Got a story to share? A favorite memory of your AP days? Don't keep them to yourself. Share with your colleagues by sending to Ye Olde Connecting Editor. And don't forget to include photos!

Here are some suggestions:

- **Second chapters** - You finished a great career. Now tell us about your second (and third and fourth?) chapters of life.

- **Spousal support** - How your spouse helped in supporting your work during your AP career.

- **My most unusual story** - tell us about an unusual, off the wall story that you covered.

- **"A silly mistake that you make"** - a chance to 'fess up with a memorable mistake in your journalistic career.

- **Multigenerational AP families** - profiles of families whose service spanned two or more generations.

- **Volunteering** - benefit your colleagues by sharing volunteer stories - with ideas on such work they can do themselves.

- **First job** - How did you get your first job in journalism?

- **Connecting "selfies"** - a word and photo self-profile of you and your career, and what you are doing today. Both for new members and those who have been with us a while.

- **Most unusual** place a story assignment took you.



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