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the men assigned to infantry rifle platoons during World War II.

Few people realize the enormously disproportionate burden

the men in these platoons carried: although only 6 percent of

the U. S. Army in Europe. They suffered most of the casualties.

George W. Neill served with a rifle platoon in the 99th Infantry

Division. Now a seasoned journalist, he takes the reader into

the foxholes to reveal how combat infantrymen lived and

survived, what they thought, and how they fought. Beginning

with basic training in Texas and Oklahoma, Neill moves to the

front lines in Belgium and Germany. There he focuses on the

role of his division in the Battle of the Bulge. The 99th, recruits

bolstered by veterans of the 2nd Division, held the northern line

of the bulge, preventing a German breakthrough and

undermining their strategy. Using his wartime letters, his

research in the United States and Europe, and hundreds of

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