

The Incredible Colonel

This is the first of two volumes that make up what is arguably the definitive Elvis biography. Rich in documentary and interview material, this volume charts Elvis' early years and his rise to fame, taking us up to his departure for Germany in 1958. Of all the biographies of Elvis - this is the one you will keep coming back to. "Colonel Mosby was a 'Virginian of the Virginians', educated at the State's University, and seemed destined to pass his life as an obscure Virginia attorney, when war brought him his opportunity for fame. The following pages contain the story of his life as private in the cavalry, as a scout, and as a leader as partisans"--Introduction.

In this long-awaited autobiography, Kittinger joins author Craig Ryan to document an astonishing career exploring aeronautical feats and propeling Americans into space using the worlds oldest flying machinethe balloon.

Operation Pineapple Express

Colonel Roosevelt

Tommy of the Voices

Colonel Crompton's India

The True Story of a German on the Run

Last Train To Memphis

The legendary relationship at the heart of a major motion picture. In *The Colonel*, Alanna Nash, the author of *Golden Girl: The Story of Jessica Savitch*, explores in depth the amazing story of Colonel Tom

Parker, the man behind the legend and the myth of Elvis Presley. The result is a book that reads like the most riveting of real-life detective stories—one that will completely change your view of Presley's life, success, and death. While scores of books have been written about Elvis Presley, this is the first meticulously researched biography of Tom Parker written by someone who knew him personally. And for anyone truly interested in the performer many consider the greatest and most influential of the twentieth century, it is impossible to understand how Elvis came to be such a phenomenon without examining the life and mind of Parker, the man who virtually controlled Elvis's every move. Alanna Nash has been covering the story of Elvis Presley and Colonel Tom Parker since the day of Presley's funeral in Memphis, Tennessee. She was the first journalist allowed to view Presley's body, a compelling and surprising sight. But the profile of Parker attending the funeral in a Hawaiian shirt and a baseball cap was even stranger, and led her to investigate the man behind the myth. It has been known for twenty years that Thomas Andrew Parker was, in fact, born in Holland as Andreas Cornelis van Kuijk. But Nash has dug much deeper and, in a masterpiece of reporting, unearthed never-before-seen documents, including Parker's army records and psychiatric evaluations, and the original police report of an unsolved murder case in Holland that lies at the heart of the Parker mystery. In the process of weighing the evidence, she answers the biggest riddle in the history of the music industry, as it becomes clear that every move Parker made in the handling of Elvis Presley -- from why he never allowed Elvis to perform in Europe, to why he didn't halt Elvis's drug use, to why he put him in so many mediocre movies, and even the Colonel's direction of Presley's army career -- was designed to protect Parker's own secrets. Filled with startling new material, her book challenges even the most familiar precepts of the Presley saga -- everything we presumed about Parker's handling of the world's most famous entertainer must now be reevaluated in the light of information Nash reveals about Parker, who cared

little for Presley beyond what the singer could do to bolster the Colonel's precarious position as an illegal alien. Elvis Presley, as one of Parker's unwitting victims, paid a major price for the Colonel's past and his overwhelming need to be more important than his client. As a result, Presley was never allowed to reach his potential and died in drug-induced frustration over his stunted and mismanaged career. In this astonishing, impeccably written, and vastly entertaining book, Nash proves that the only figure in American popular culture as fascinating as Elvis Presley is Colonel Tom Parker, the man who shaped Elvis, who in turn helped shape us.

This two-volume work, published in 1851, charts the career of a military adventurer who acquired wealth and fame in India.

The serenity of the north Texas lake country shatters after a string of murders devastates the small town of Dillon. The crimes share no motive and no connection except for one detail: each victim's right hand has been severed. It will take two extraordinary men to track down the killer ... Will Clayton is a recently retired US Marshall with a legendary career in Texas law enforcement. But he's not interested in temporarily filling the sheriff vacancy until the murders begin. Even with his wealth of forensic knowledge and law enforcement experience, the murderer proves to be an elusive prey. When Don Taggart returns to his hometown of Dillon, he is a burned-out former Dallas vice detective. He wants to re-evaluate his future and try to balance his personal and professional life. Things are looking up when he reconnects with a former love, but when Sheriff Clayton asks him to join the sheriff's office as a special investigator Taggart can't say no. Together, these two reluctant heroes join forces to track down one of the most horrendous murderers in Texas history. Both will call upon everything they have and make sacrifices when pain, love and justice collide.

Review of Adequacy of Security Arrangements for Marines in Lebanon and Plans for Improving that

Security

An Autobiography of Buffalo Bill (Colonel W. F. Cody)

Civil Functions, Department of the Army Appropriations for 1951

Military Memoir of Lieut-Col. James Skinner, C. B.

Colonel Tom Parker

A Colonel's Crusades with Destiny An Autobiography

Alec Guinness won a Best Actor Oscar for his portrayal of the dogmatic but brittle commanding officer in David Lean's film "The Bridge on the River Kwai". While a brilliant performance, it owed more to fiction than fact, as the man who actually commanded the POWs ordered to build the infamous bridges -- there were in fact two: one wooden, one concrete -- was cut from very different cloth. Lieutenant Colonel Philip Toosey was the senior officer among the 2,000-odd Allied servicemen incarcerated in Tamarkan prison camp, and as such had to comply with the Japanese orders to help construct their Thailand-Burma railway. With malnutrition, disease and brutality their constant companions, it was a near-impossible task for soldiers who had already endured terrible privations -- and one which they knew would be in the service of their enemy. But under Toosey's careful direction, a subtle balancing act between compliance and subversion, the Allied inmates not only survived but regained some sense of self-respect. Re-creating the story of this remarkable leader with tremendous skill and narrative flair, and drawing on many original interviews with Second World War POWs from the Asian theatre, THE

COLONEL OF TAMARKAN is a riveting blend of biography and history. A pitch black, rainy night in a small Iranian town. Inside his house the Colonel is immersed in thought. Memories are storming in. Memories of his wife. Memories of the great patriots of the past, all of them assassinated or executed. Memories of his children, who had joined the different factions of the 1979 revolution. There is a knock on the door. Two young policemen have come to summon the Colonel to collect the tortured body of his youngest daughter and bury her before sunrise. The Islamic Revolution, like every other revolution in history, is devouring its own children. And whose fault is that? This shocking diatribe against the failures of the Iranian left over the last fifty years does not leave one taboo unbroken.

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The Saturday Evening Post
Uncover What People Really Mean

Colonel John Pelham: Lee's Boy Artillerist [Illustrated Edition]

A Tor.Com Original

The Incredible Murder of Cardinal Tosca

Hearings Before the Committee on Armed Services and the Investigations Subcommittee of the Committee on Armed Services, House of Representatives, Ninety-eighth Congress, First Session, November 1, 2, 12, 13; December 8, 9, 14, 15, 1983

"Here is a wealth of gossip level detail about life on the inside at the top in Hanoi--material Hanoi watchers lust after, seldom find." --Indochina Chronology", rarity. A true North Vietnamese insider speaking candidly." --Book World, 30 April 1983
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK • "Colonel Roosevelt is compelling reading, and [Edmund] Morris is a brilliant biographer who practices his art at the highest level. . . . A moving, beautifully rendered account." --David Mervin, The Washington Post This biography by Edmund Morris, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt and The American Presidency, marks the completion of a trilogy sure to stand as definitive. Of all our great presidents, Theodore Roosevelt is the only one whose greatness increased out of proportion. What other president has written forty books, hunted lions, founded a third political party, survived an assassin's bullet, and explored an unknown river longer than the Nile?" --Book World, 30 April 1983

Rhine? Packed with more adventure, variety, drama, humor, and tragedy than a best-selling novel, yet documented down to the smallest fact, this masterwork recounts the life of perhaps the most amazing life in American history. "Hair-raising . . . awe-inspiring . . . a worthy close to a trilogy sure to be regarded as one of the best studies not only of a president, but of any American."—San Francisco Chronicle

During the 1980s war in El Salvador, Radio Venceremos was the main news outlet for the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional (FMLN), the guerrilla organization that challenged the government. The broadcast provided a vital link between combatants in the mountains and the outside world, as well as an alternative to mainstream media reporting. In this first-person account, "Santiago," the legendary voice of Radio Venceremos, tells the story of the early years of that conflict, a rebellion of peasants against the Salvadoran government and its benefactor, the United States. Originally published as *La Terquedad del Izote*, this memoir also addresses the broader story of a nationwide rebellion and its international context, particularly the intense Cold War and heavy U.S. involvement in it under President Reagan. By the war's end in 1992, more than 75,000 were dead and 350,000 wounded—in a country the size of Massachusetts. Although outnumbered and outfinanced, the rebels fought the Salvadoran Army to a draw and brought enough bargaining power to the negotiating table to achieve some of their key objectives, including democratic reforms and an overhaul of the

security forces. Broadcasting the Civil War in El Salvador is a riveting account from rebels' point of view that lends immediacy to the Salvadoran conflict. It should appeal to all who are interested in historic memory and human rights, U.S. policy toward Central America, and the role the media can play in wartime.

The Incredible Honeymoon

A Historical Romance

Hearings

A Full-length Play

The Colonel of Tamarkan

The Conspiracy of Col. Aaron Burr

Incredible Colonel Haus Publishing

On the eve of World War II, a promising young high school musician has his dreams and aspirations for a life in music suddenly interrupted by the call to war. With a fateful and circuitous path leading Arnold D. Gabriel to participate as a machine gunner with the 29th Infantry, on June 6, 1944-D-Day-he finds himself fighting for his country on Omaha Beach. However, from frontline combat and the horrors of war comes the story of a hero who will ultimately realize his dream. The Force of Destiny chronicles the journey of Colonel Arnold D. Gabriel as he navigates the challenges of war and its aftereffects to eventually rise to the pinnacle of his profession as the commander and conductor of the United States Air Force Band in Washington, DC. Conducting in all fifty states and across the globe in fifty countries, Col. Gabriel is known worldwide for his innovative and powerful leadership style and his unique

musical genius. Not just a hero in the music profession, his Bronze Stars and other combat awards speak to his heroism in defense of his country and its values. With a destiny in music and a fate that would shape his personal character and professional future, discover in his powerful story a quest of courage and triumph, magnificence and admiration, and the pursuit of excellence.

In this pathbreaking book about deciphering human thoughts through the language people use, Behaviour Analyst Col Sudip Mukerjee reveals the insights as to why we do what we do. The 5 step 'secret decoding system' detailed in this book has been used extensively by Sudip and all those who have learnt from him and experienced it first hand in individual sessions. This is unlike any other concept that you may have read earlier – these are battle hardened tactics that work - every time! When you use these principles, you will rapidly and dramatically unearth the unsaid and negotiate from a position of strength, know exactly what the people you are dealing with want, and using the language that works, get what you want – simply, easily, at a blink of an eye.

The Rise of Elvis Presley

The Colonel's Son

The Incredible Story of a Group of Americans Who Undertook One Last Mission and Honored a Promise in Afghanistan

How We Lost Trust and Confidence in America's Generals and Politicians

Two Steps Ahead

The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawm

Includes more than 30 maps, diagrams and portraits of Pelham, his artillery and his commanders. "Even before the end of the Civil War Colonel John Pelham had become a legendary figure of the Confederacy. General Lee called him "the gallant Pelham," and on seeing the young artilleryist

employ but a single gun to hold up the advance of three Union divisions and over a hundred guns at Fredericksberg, he exclaimed: "It is glorious to see such courage in one so young." "Stonewall" Jackson, who relied implicitly on Pelham in tight situations said: "It is really extraordinary to find such nerve and genius in a mere boy. With a Pelham on each flank I believe I could whip the world." "Jeb" Stuart, the dashing cavalry chief, claimed that "John Pelham exhibited a skill and courage which I have never seen surpassed. I loved him as a brother." Major John Esten Cooke, a fellow-officer and tent-mate, wrote: "He is the bravest human being I ever saw in my life." And one of Pelham's veteran gunners asserted: "We knew him-we trusted him-we would have followed him anywhere, and did." Shortly after the outbreak of hostilities in the spring of 1861, Cadet Pelham slipped away from West Point to join the Confederacy. Following the fierce Battle of First Manassas, in which he fought side-by-side with "Stonewall" Jackson, Pelham was assigned to "Jeb" Stuart's command with orders to organize the Stuart Horse Artillery. This mounted unit-dashing from action to action on the battlefield-provided General Lee's army with invaluable mobile firepower which saved many desperate situations. In over sixty battles Pelham's blazing guns saw furious action against Union infantry, cavalry, artillery, gunboats and even locomotives. Although he fought against tremendous odds, Pelham never lost an artillery duel or a single gun! This action-packed book fully describes the incredible feats of the adventurous, romantic artillery genius of the Confederacy."-Print Ed.

Colonel Keaton is in trouble. His wife has retreated into a virtual heaven and his son remains missing after joining an extrasolar mission to track down an alien race. He is presently tasked by his superiors with the threat assessment of hived human intelligences, one of which successfully attacks a compound under his watch. Now, one of the strongest hive minds in the world

approaches Keaton with an offer that could completely change his world. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. Almost the only indisputable fact about Colonel Tom Parker is that he was the manager of the greatest performer in popular music: Elvis Presley. His real name wasn't Tom Parker – indeed, he wasn't an American at all, but a Dutch immigrant called Andreas van Kujik. And he certainly wasn't a proper military colonel: he purchased his title from a man in Louisiana. But while the Colonel has long been acknowledged as something of a charlatan, this book is the first to reveal the extraordinary extent of the secrets he concealed, and the consequences for the career, and ultimately the life, of the star he managed. As Alanna Nash's prodigious research has discovered, the Colonel left Holland most probably because, at the age of twenty, he bludgeoned a woman to death. Entering the US illegally, he then enlisted in the army as Tom Parker. But, with supreme irony for someone later styling himself as Colonel, Parker's military career ended in desertion, and discharge after a psychiatrist had certified him as a psychopath. He then became a fairground barker, working sideshows with a zeal for small-scale huckstering and the casual scam that never left him. And by the height of Elvis's success, Parker had become a pathological gambler who, at the same time as he was taking, amazingly, a full 50% of Presley's earnings, frittered away all his wealth in the casinos of Las Vegas. As Nash shows, therefore, the often baffling trajectory of Elvis Presley's career makes perfect sense once the secret imperatives of the Colonel's life are known. Parker never booked Presley for a tour of Europe because of the dark secret that ensured he himself could never return there. Even at his most famous, Elvis was still being booked to play out-of-the-way towns in North Carolina – because the former fairground barker (who shamelessly

negotiated as such even with top record company and film executives) knew them from his days on the circus circuit. And Elvis was trapped playing years of arduous seasons in Las Vegas — two shows nightly, seven days a week, until boredom and despair brought on the excessive drug use that killed him — because for Parker he was — an open chit — whose huge earnings prevented his manager's losses at the gambling tables being called in. Alanna Nash knew Parker towards the end of his life, and has now uncovered the whole story, improbable, shocking, and never less than compelling, of how this larger-than-life man made, and then unmade, popular music's first and greatest superstar.

Come Up and Get Me

The Memoirs of Colonel John S. Mosby

The Curious Life of Elvis Presley's Eccentric Manager

Military Memoir of Lieut.-Col. James Skinner, C.B.

A Memoir of Guerrilla Radio

Combat-decorated Marine officer Stuart Scheller speaks out against the debacle of the Afghan pullout as the culmination of a decades-long and still-ongoing betrayal of military members by top leadership, from generals to the commander in chief, comes to light. Lieutenant Colonel Stuart Scheller was the perfect Marine. Battle tested. A leader. Decorated for valor. Yet when the United States acted like the

Keystone Cops in a panicked haphazard exit from Afghanistan for political reasons, Scheller spoke out, and the generals lashed out. In fact, they jailed him to keep him quiet, claiming he lost the "trust and confidence" bestowed upon him by the Marines. When the faith and trust is exactly what our generals and even our commander-in-chief betrayed by exercising such reckless and derelict policies. Now Scheller is free from the shackles of the Marine Corps and can speak his mind. And in Crisis of Command, that he does. He holds our generals' feet to the fire. The same generals who play frivolously with the lives of our service men and women for political gain. The same general who lied to political leaders to further their own agendas and careers. Stuart Scheller is here to say that the buck stops here. Accountability starts now. It's time to demand accountability and stand up for our military. In this book, Stuart Scheller shows us how.

AN INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER An edge-of-your-seat thriller about a group of retired Green Berets who come

together to save a former comrade—and 500 other Afghans—being targeted by the Taliban in the chaos of America's withdrawal from Afghanistan. In April, an urgent call was placed from a Special Forces operator serving overseas. The message: Get Nezam out of Afghanistan now. Nezam was part of the Afghan National Army's first group of American-trained commandos. He passed through Fort Bragg's legendary Q course and served alongside the US Special Forces for over a decade. But Afghanistan's government and army are collapsing, and Nezam is getting threatening texts from the Taliban. The message reached Nezam's former commanding officer, retired Lt. Col. Scott Mann, who can't face the idea of losing another soldier in the long War on Terror. He sends out an SOS to a group of Afghan vets (Navy SEALs, Green Berets, CIA officers, USAID advisors). They all answer the call for one last mission. Operating out of basements and garages, Task Force Pineapple organizes an escape route for Nezam and gets him into hiding in Taliban-controlled Kabul. After many tense days, he braves the enemy

checkpoints and the crowds of thousands blocking the airport gates. He finally makes it through the wire and into the American-held airport thanks to the frantic efforts of the Pineapple express, a relentless Congressional aide, and a US embassy official. Nezam is safe, but calls are coming in from all directions requesting help for other Afghan soldiers, interpreters, and at-risk women and children. Task Force Pineapple begins all over again—and ends up rescuing 500 more Afghans from Kabul in the three chaotic days before the ISIS-K suicide bombing. Operation Pineapple Express is a thrilling, suspenseful tale of service and loyalty amidst the chaos of the US withdrawal from Afghanistan.

The book is basically about my hardships, challenges, and struggles encountered at every stage of my life, right from the Adolescence age till retirement from the Indian Army and thereafter, and how I overcame these with sagacity, resolute will power, determination, wisdom, and by remaining in a state of high life condition. My supersession in the army never dampened my spirits or traumatized me or my family. I

continued to give my very best under all circumstances and situations. Like any other person, I too had my infatuations, crushes, and emotional attachment with the opposite sex. But my loyalties with my wife were never compromised. We are leading a very happy and contented married life with total harmony in the family comprising of my two sons and one daughter- in - law and my 3 grandchildren. My eldest son is married to an Irish lady and they are staying in Drogheda county in Ireland. Incidentally, the marriage of my son was solemnized in our presence in Ireland in July 2010. Truth has been my fundamental ingredient, which put me in embarrassing situations many times. I firmly believe in the dictum that, "A bitter Truth is always better than a sweet lie and two wrongs do not make a right." Whatever tasks were entrusted to me were undertaken by me meticulously and methodically in an honest and transparent manner without bothering about the negative perception, if any of others. I and my wife 's induction into Nichiren Daishonin Buddhism was a shot in the

arm, which provided us with a golden opportunity to improve ourselves as good human beings and continue to lead a life of " Absolute Happiness." I have always endeavored to live a King-sized life on my own terms and conditions. I have been very candid (but not a cribber) in my opinions in calling a spade a spade, leading to my genuine and selfless intentions to be misconstrued at times in the environment. And for which I had to suffer emotionally. I was a regular nonstop drinker for 43 years, but suddenly I left this addiction including gambling of horse racing and IPL cricket matches a few years ago in February 2017. It was purely due to my determination and will power, especially doing so without any therapy, medical intervention, and rehabilitation. My friends have been my lifeline and I always endeared to love and like their company. Writing my Autobiography was my long-cherished dream, which I ventured to fructify during this sudden lockout enforced upon us due to the corona virus. I always knew my inner strengths and weaknesses. Nothing is impossible in this world and I firmly

believe in the dictum that, " you become whatever you think.

Philip Toosey and the Bridge on the River Kwai

Hearings Before the Subcommittee of the Committee on

Appropriations, House of Representatives, Eighty-first

Congress, Second Session

Crisis of Command

An Autobiography of Colonel Joe Kittinger

Memoirs of a North Vietnamese Colonel

The Extraordinary Story of Colonel Tom Parker and Elvis

Presley

The remarkable story of an SS colonel turned ally on the run during the early years of the Cold War. Eugen Dollmann was a scholar and member of the SS whose connections among Italian society led to a posting as a liaison officer attached to Mussolini during World War II. In his work as a diplomat and interpreter, he associated with Heydrich, Himmler, and Hitler. This memoir begins with the surrender of the Germans in 1945 and relates how after Dollmann escaped from the British, a Roman Catholic cardinal helped him by allowing him to hide in a home for drug addicts. Later, Dollmann was provided with false papers by the CIA who enlisted him for the fight against communism.

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After he was arrested by the Italian police, the Americans had no alternative but to jail him, and after some months he was transferred to a camp near Frankfurt for "outstanding cases," where some of the prominent Nazis were held. Dollmann was released, but he decided to get back to Italy across the frontiers, which he succeeded in doing only after a series of varied escapades.

Based on unprecedented research and interviews, this authoritative biography of Colonel Tom Parker (1909-1997) includes new revelations and insights into rock music's most renowned and notorious manager. Rediscover Professor Branestawm this Christmas - soon to become a brand new drama on BBC ONE written by Charlie Higson and starring Harry Hill 'Once you started anything in Professor Branestawm's house you never knew when it might finish or even if it ever would' Poor Mrs Flittersnoop! It's not easy being Professor Branestawm's housekeeper. People may say he's a genius, but all his inventions always make life more complicated, alarming and extraordinary than it was before. An innocent bottle of old cough mixture turns out to be an elixir that makes all the waste paper in the bin come to life, the burglar-catcher and the pancake-maker operate just a little too efficiently, and about the spring-cleaning machine, the less said the better. You could write a book about it, but nobody would believe it. Includes exclusive material: In the Backstory you can find out about accidental

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inventions that changed our lives and try a few experiments of your own! Vintage Children's Classics is a twenty-first century classics list aimed at 8-12 year olds and the adults in their lives. Discover timeless favourites from The Jungle Book and Alice's Adventures in Wonderland to modern classics such as The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas and The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time.

Incredible Colonel

For Many Years a Distinguished Officer Commanding a Corps of Irregular Cavalry in the Service of the H. E. I. C. : Interspersed with Notices of Several of the Principal Personages who Distinguished Themselves in the Service of the Native Powers in India

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The Force of Destiny

Broadcasting the Civil War in El Salvador

The Colonel