



## A Dark and Bloody Ground: The Hurtgen Forest and the Roer River Dams, 1944-1945

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Texas A&M University Press, 2003. Book Condition: New. Brand New, Unread Copy in Perfect Condition. A+ Customer Service! Summary: A Dark and Bloody Ground examines the ominous prelude to the Battle of the Bulge and reveals for the first time one of the U.S. Army's bloodiest nightmares of World War II. In late 1944, the American Army had pushed through Belgium almost unopposed. As small units advanced into the hilly woods southeast of Aachen, Germany, they encountered a forest bristling with German troops. The face-off took place in some of Germany's most rugged territory and in rain, sleet, and freezing temperatures. For weeks U.S. commanders ordered units of as many as seven divisions into the woods to be chewed up by German infantry and artillery. The book's gripping description of the battle is based on government records, a rich selection of first-person accounts from veterans of both sides, and author Edward G. Miller's visits to the battlefield.

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