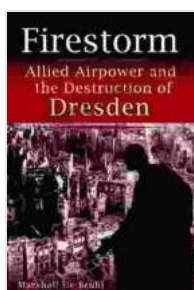


Firestorm: Allied Airpower And The Destruction Of Dresden

In the final months of World War II, the Allied air forces unleashed a devastating firestorm on the German city of Dresden. The bombing, which killed an estimated 25,000 people, remains one of the most controversial events of the war.



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In his book *Firestorm*, historian Frederick Taylor provides a comprehensive account of the bombing, drawing on new research and interviews with survivors. Taylor argues that the bombing was a war crime and that it did not contribute to the Allied victory.

Taylor begins by describing the city of Dresden in the months leading up to the bombing. Dresden was a cultural and artistic center, home to some of the most beautiful buildings in Germany. It was also a major industrial center, producing weapons for the German war effort.

On February 13, 1945, the Allied air forces launched a massive bombing raid on Dresden. The raid lasted for several hours, and by the end of the night, the city was engulfed in flames. The firestorm that followed destroyed much of the city, including many of its historic buildings.

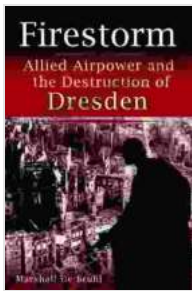
Taylor argues that the bombing of Dresden was a war crime. He points out that the city was not a legitimate military target, and that the bombing killed thousands of innocent civilians. He also argues that the bombing did not contribute to the Allied victory, as the war was already all but over by the time the raid took place.

Firestorm is a powerful and moving account of one of the most tragic events of World War II. Taylor's research is meticulous, and his writing is clear and concise. He provides a devastating indictment of the Allied air forces, and he forces us to confront the moral complexities of war.

Firestorm is a must-read for anyone interested in World War II, or in the history of bombing. It is a powerful reminder of the horrors of war, and of the importance of peace.

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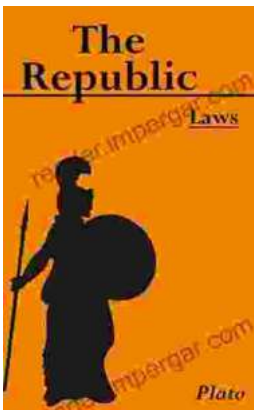
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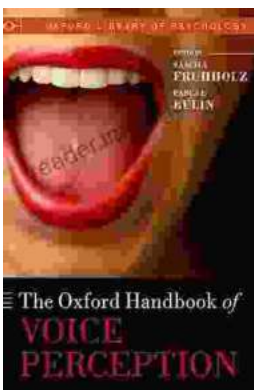
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