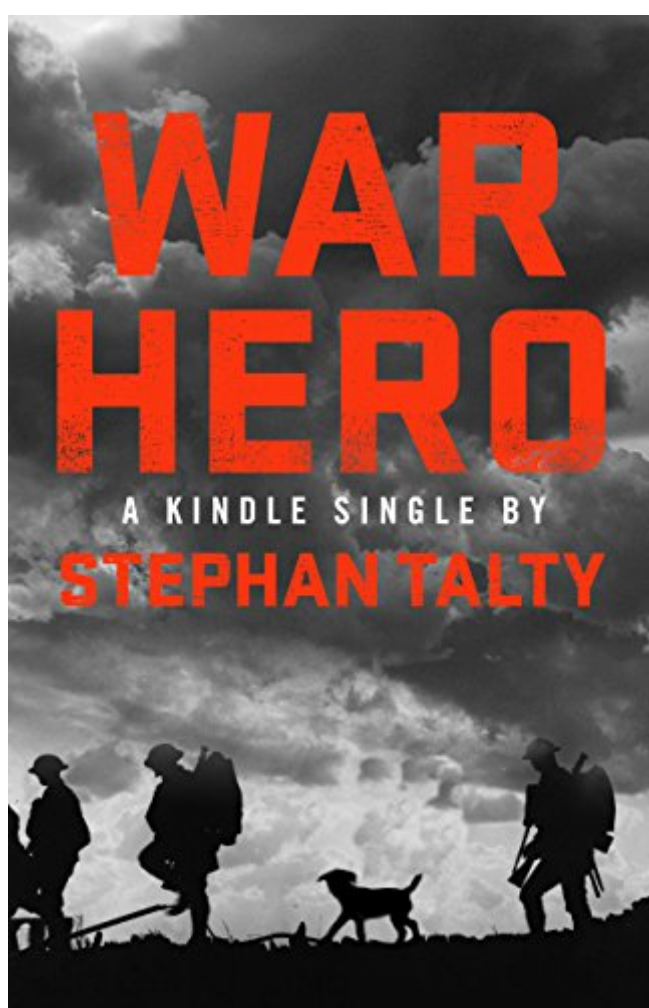


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# War Hero: The Unlikely Story Of A Stray Dog, An American Soldier And The Battle Of Their Lives (Kindle Single)



## Synopsis

The dramatic and heartfelt story of the Great War's most unlikely hero â€” a Parisian stray dog named Rags. On a July evening in 1918, four brutal years into World War I, a young American soldier, private James Donovan, stumbled on a pile of rags while lost on the pitch-black streets of Paris. Unbeknownst to Donovan, the little terrier he found hiding under the bundle that night would go on to save the lives of countless American soldiers on the battlefields of France and change the way wars are fought. In "War Hero," acclaimed historian Stephan Talty (author of A Captain's Duty) tells an unforgettable tale of friendship, loyalty and survival set against the carnage of the Great War. Ragsâ€™ exploits made him famous back in America, where he became one of the inspirations for the modern â€œwar dog.â€• He led parades down Broadway, accepted a handful of medals and became more popular than some 5-star generals. But itâ€™s a private story that's at the heart of "War Hero": the unbreakable bond formed between a homesick soldier and a Parisian mutt who had no place in the world until he found one in the trenches of the Meuse-Argonne. Stephan Talty is the author of two previous bestselling Singles, The Secret Agent and Operation Cowboy. His writing has been published in the New York Times, GQ, the Irish Times and Men's Journal. His most recent book is Under the Same Sky: From Starvation in North Korea to Salvation in America. Cover design by Adil Dara.

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This was an great story about a soldier and a dog. I was not one to study history but reading a well written accounts like this, gives you not just a "good read" but also an excellent history lesson!!

I love dogs and books about dogs but this was special since it is a true story. Well written. Can't put it down. I really learned a lot about WW I.

Great book. Heart warming about a soldier and a stray dog he comes across in the streets of Paris. A bonding between this street dog and the whole 1st division of the American Army during WW1. From a private to the commanding general of the 1st Division, Rags won the hearts of all for his caring attitude to his great bravery. A good fast read.

Very touching story based on truth about a soldier and the dog he finds in France during WWI. The story is well written, informative, interesting and shows the bond between a man and his ever faithful dog. I was very emotional at the end. This is a must read for anyone who loves dogs and wants to be informed about their involvement during WWI and some soldiers during action in France.

This is a very short account of one of America's first MWD's, though he started unofficially as such. It covers the story of one dog and the Signal Corps soldier who found and worked with him and the AEF during WWI. It is short, but inspiring for those who appreciate Working Dogs. It would make a good movie, though the poignant disregard shown our veterans of that time would cast a note of sadness to it.

This is a well written story, about the first military dog and the effects he had on not only the men of his company but the whole of world war 1 USA force. Did not know many of the things about the subject until I read this book. great story.

Touching story of a WW I soldier and his faithful dog. Very interesting. Very powerful love story of a man fighting in a horrible war and the little dog Rags that he found in a pile of rags in Paris. Rags

went on in life & to being buried with honors.

A charming little story of a very brave little dog., ! I enjoyed the story , it showed how the love between these two developed and how much they were prepared to see that the other was safe , this little dog went to amazing lengths o obey and help this soldier as he did his dangerous job.,worth a read !

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