Prelude to Civil War

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Prelude to Civil War was a major work on the causes of the Civil War. The Civil War Prelude began with the history of the incipiently American nation from its earliest beginnings to the Civil War's outbreak at Fort Sumter. The Prelude to Civil War provided the reader with a single, comprehensive narrative that illuminated all the important factors that contributed to the Civil War: political, geographical, social, and economic. Freehling's work has become a standard reference on the subject. It is the most widely used textbook on the Civil War in the United States. The book has been highly praised for its objectivity and accuracy, and has been a cornerstone of American Civil War education. It is used in high schools, colleges, and universities across the nation. The book is also available in many language translations, including German and Italian. It has been republished several times, with the latest edition appearing in 1988. Freehling has written many other books on the Civil War, including other works on the causes of the Civil War, such as The Road to Disunion and The Ordeal of Secession.
Erich von Manstein had always felt he was destined for great things on the battlefield. A Russian's bullets had other ideas and now the Great War was passing him by. While rehabilitating from his wounds, a chance encounter with Erich Ludendorff, second in command of Germany's armies, set him on a different path. One that would change the world. The German Empire has survived the Great War, but will Manstein be able to guide it forward? France and Italy have created a new Entente and Charles de Gaulle and Benito Mussolini want revenge.

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