



ROAD

TO

ROME

SALERNO NAPLES VOLTURNO
CASSINO ANZIO ROME

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY

To the Officers and Men of the Fifth Army:

You have been privileged to make history. You have taken the "Eternal City." You have done what the forces of the famous Carthaginian, Hannibal, failed to do. You captured Rome from the south.

You are liberators, not conquerors. You came to this sacred spot to drive out the enemy. You did so gallantly and effectively. All Rome welcomed you.

This is your book. It relates briefly the story of our great struggle from the time of our arrival in Italy until we entered Rome, and it tells you something about the action of different units.

Those of our comrades who gave their lives did not do so in vain. Their spirits are with us as we continue the campaign in which they played so glorious a part.

Your country is proud of you. The Allied cause has profited by your military deeds. Italy, which has known soldiers of many races, of many nations, of many armies, will not forget you. You have a place in the ageless record of a city around which ancient and medieval civilizations flourished.

On the back cover are shown the shoulder patch insignia of the corps and divisions which were assigned to the Fifth Army when it reached Rome. I regret that there is insufficient space to include the insignia of the Fifth Army corps and divisions which were not a part of Fifth Army at that time.

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