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No Outspan: A Boer Journal Of Life After The War

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Synopsis

“[A]n entertaining narrative of his activities in the course of which he has succeeded in proving that in spite of our quarrels, South Africa is a country of good temper and good will, with the hope of a united nation to come.” • General J. C. Smuts Standing as two pillars in his life, when Gens. Botha and Smuts stated their need for him back home the once-exiled Boer did not fully realise the turning point it would be. Deneys Reitz believed that South Africa’s safety lay with the Commonwealth, and its people’s unity was only attainable under its shelter, and on his return in 1919 he entered the political arena, joining Smuts’s South African Party. Although he returned to law and later travelled following Gen. Hertzog’s National Party’s rise to power in 1924, less than a decade later he returned as part of a “united” coalition. With the outbreak of WWII and Hertzog’s bid for neutrality failing, Reitz found himself appointed Smuts’s Deputy Prime Minister: his subsequent journeyings and encounters were no less extraordinary than any that had come before. Concluding the narrative of an extraordinary life, No Outspan recounts Reitz’s colourful adventures and endeavours as the long-drawn political struggle for South Africa continued. Deneys Reitz (1882-1944) was a Boer soldier, lawyer, author and politician. From the day he enlisted in a commando to the Western Front and beyond, his life’s work would be devoted to South Africa. He married in 1920, and his wife would go on to become the first female member of the House of Assembly of South Africa. *Commando* and *Trekking On* are the first two volumes of his memoirs. For details of other books published by Albion Press go to the website at www.albionpress.co.uk. Albion Press is an imprint of Endeavour Press, the UK’s leading independent digital publisher. For more information on our titles please sign up to our newsletter at www.endeavourpress.com. Each week you will receive updates on free and discounted ebooks. Follow us on Twitter: @EndeavourPress and on Facebook via <http://on.fb.me/1HweQV7>. We are always interested in hearing from our readers. Endeavour Press believes that the future is now.

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The author describes his life and experiences in the early part of the last century in South Africa.

The author is a gifted writer and story teller. His descriptions and observations of his travels in Africa are particularly interesting and informative.

Good book You will like it

This is one of a series of three books by Reitz on his life in the Boer War, after the war, and in WWI in Europe. Look up when and where the Boer War was fought if you don't know. Very interesting.

Excellent. Keen observation by someone who was there and with a naturalists eye. A life lived to the fullest measure in the heart of south Africa's formation.

Interesting to read about my country from a different older perspective and to see similar troubles today in the land

A fantastic book written in a matter of fact way. The third in a series of the author's biography.

an excellent biography with many lessons to be learned from a bygone era.

Amazing books by an incredible man

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