

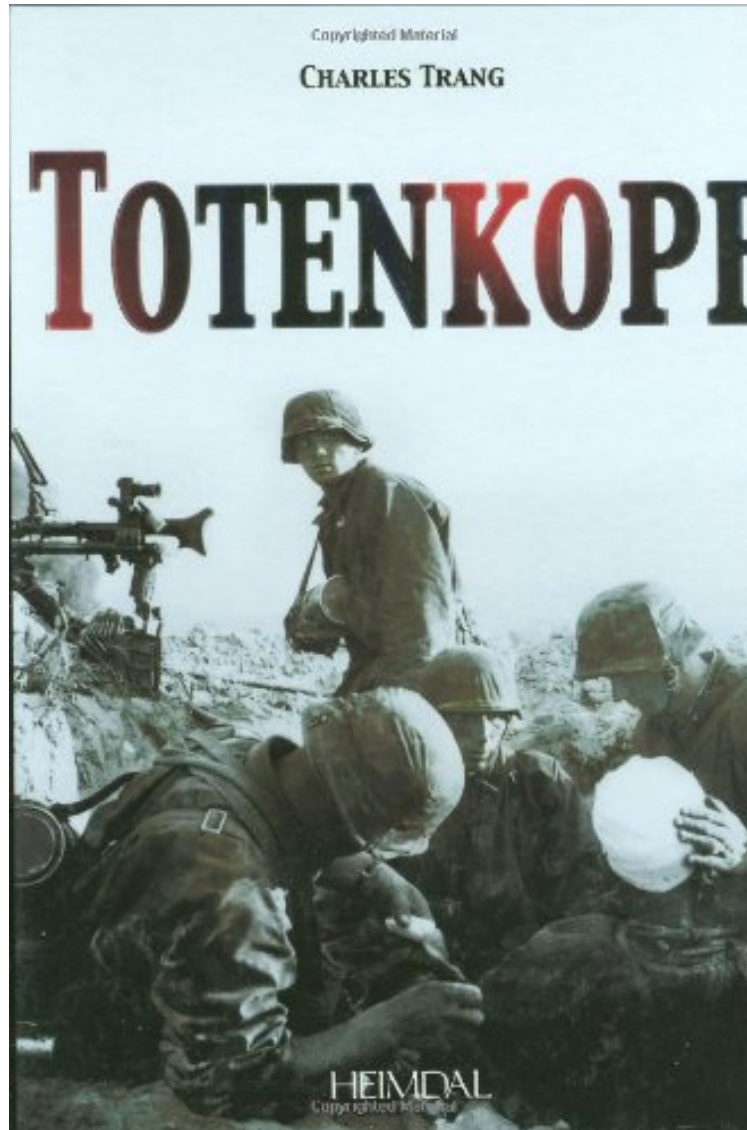
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translated. There are also some new officer lists as well as a sort of people equipment inventory for the middle half of 1944. As with most German subject books the coverage after Zitadelle gets noticeably slimmer to almost nonexistent. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. FantasticBy von KoenigsbergI must say I'm impressed by this book, and I was skeptical at first.I own "Wie Ein Fels Im Mehr" by Karl Ullrich, which is obviously the definitive bildband (photo history book) on the 3rd SS-Panzer Division "Totenkopf". I thought to myself, "what could Trang's book possibly have that Ullrich's does not have?" Loads, apparently. Ullrich's is a must, but Trang's is an excellent supplement. About 90% of these photos I have never seen in any other text before, so it's well worth the \$50 or so you should pay for a used copy.True, some images are poorly reproduced, but that is likely due to the photo's small original size, and was blown up to be visable. I'm sure if the photos had been reproduced for this book in their original size of 6cmx9cm, people would be unhappy with that as well!The point is, this book has many never before seen images on one of the best and most elite Waffen-SS divisions.I love it!1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Good photos, terrible text..By FalkThis is massive volume containing a lot of photos of the division. The overall quality is pretty good, and the section on Thule is especially noteworthy. Inevitably in a book of this size, there are some shots that are less than perfect, though.But unfortunately, the text and captioning is terrible! True, this is primarily a photo volume and thus it is not supposed to contain a comprehensive text, but what is included could have been so much better. The translating and editing must have been done in a hurry or by unskilled people.The captions are very bad, with frequent misidentification of equipment or situations.Still, I can recommend this book for its pictures, just be aware of its mentioned flaws.

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