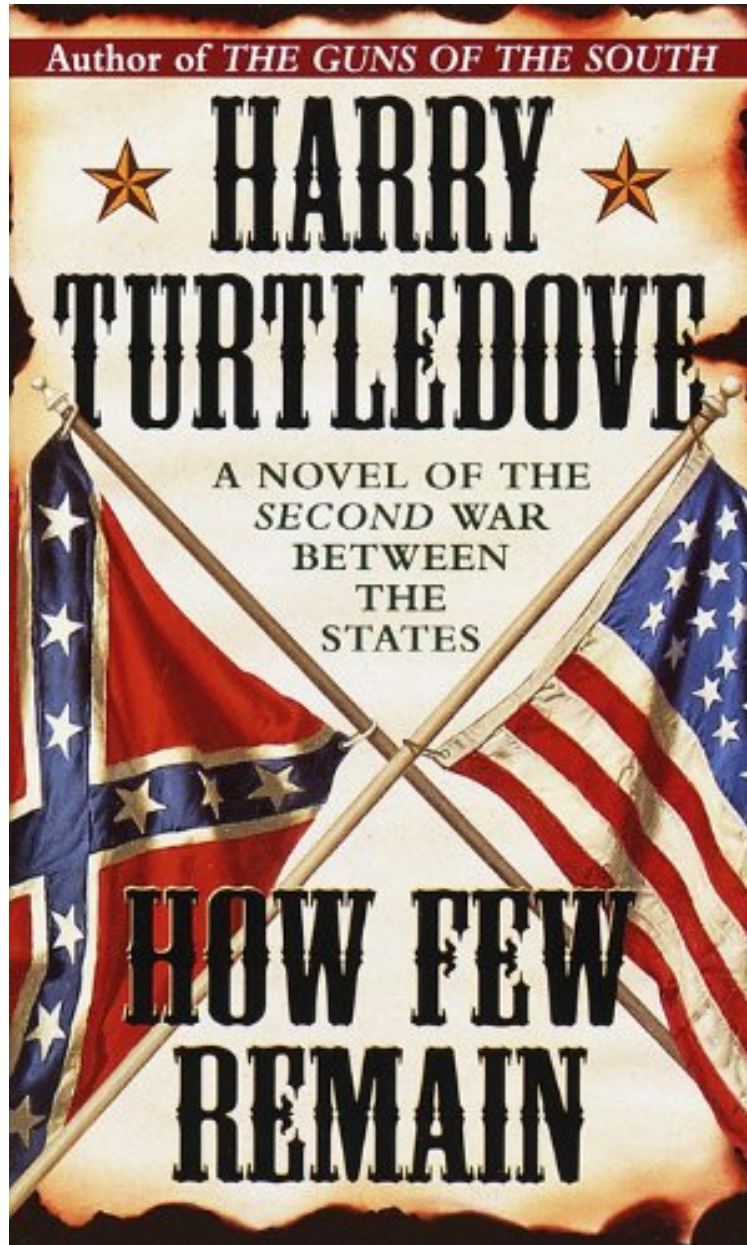


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Von Harry Turtledove

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**Von Harry Turtledove : How Few Remain (Southern Victory)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised How Few Remain (Southern Victory):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich.

Interesting but slow  
Von Customer  
I liked this book, but I have discovered that I have a great interest in the genre, so I may be biased. I enjoyed reading about Lincoln's hypothetical role as a Marxist, given that there was no reason to assassinate him. I found it a bit far-fetched until I read that the speeches his character gave in the book were really his speeches in history. Amazingly, Sam Clemens sounds just like Sam Clemens without taking the same liberties. The US really did send troops to put down the Mormon practice of polygamy. The Mormons did not have great means to resist a United States Army, but given a little covert help, they might have resisted a distracted Union Army. (I think probably not, but it's not implausible.) Other reviewers' criticisms of the plodding pace of the story, however, are not misplaced. How could the plot advance very quickly and end in a stalemate? I found the almost exclusive use of historical celebrities the only thing that saves this book from its plot. While I was not that interested in finding out how the war will end (it's telegraphed fairly obviously) I was interested in reading about the way characters develop when I thought I knew them (although creeping into Sam Clemens bedroom was uncalled for). So, if you're a great fan of alternate history, I recommend this book. If you are just thinking about seeing what the genre is like, try Guns of the South or the World War series (if you like fantastic twists) or skip this one and go straight to Great War: American Front. There's plenty of backfill so you won't get lost.  
2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Was wre wenn...die Sdstaaten den Krieg gewonnen htten?  
Von NMK10. September 1862, Frederick County, Maryland: Entgegen den wirklichen Geschichtsgeschehen, ist die Geheimorder 191 von General Lee an seine Untergebenen, nie von Soldaten der Union gefunden worden. Die Sdstaaten haben den Sezessionskrieg gewonnen. So beginnt die Einleitung in Turtledoves "How few remain". Der Roman spielt im Jahre 1881 in den Nordstaaten. Die Konfderierte Staaten von Amerika haben unter Prsident Longstreet die mexikanischen Gebiete Sonora Chihuahua fr 3 Millionen CSA Dollar gekauft. Daraufhin spitzt sich die Lage mit ihrem Nachbarn, der Union, zu. Es kommt zur militrischen Eskalation. Harry Turtledove zeigt in seinem Buch auf, wie sich die Geschichte der Union und der Sdstaaten htte entwickeln knnen. Dies gestaltet er sehr interessant. Die Konfderation setzt immer noch auf die Sklaverei und ist mit England und Frankreich verbndet. Die Union steht alleine und als Aggressor da. Einzig das Deutsche Reich steht neutral zur Union. Turtledove whlt fr seinen Roman einen interessanten Erzhlstil. Er beschreibt die Geschehnisse aus Sicht seiner Hauptcharaktere. Diese wren: der gescheiterte Prsident der Union, Lincoln, Rosecrans und Pope, Stonewall Jackson, Jeb Stuart, Frederick Douglass, ein entflohener Sklave nun frei und Gegner der Sklaverei, Custer, Rosevelt und viele andere. Die Sichtweise der Personen auf das Geschehen gibt dem Roman einen besonderen Flair. Bis auf ein paar kleine Schnitzer ist "How few remain" glaubhaft und spannend. Ein groer Schnitzer ist das Verhalten Custers in Bezug auf die "Gatling Guns". Zuerst lobt er sie in den hchsten Tnen und danach verdammt er sie. Fazit: Spannend, glaubhaft, anders ...und bis auf eine Handvoll Schnitzer, die nicht wirklich ins Gewicht fallen, sehr gut. "How few remain" ist das Prequel zur Serie "The Great War", die mit dem Roman Great War: American Front beginnt.  
1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great Prelude For The Coming World War Series!  
Von R.A. Moore. I found this book to be an excellent read, I cannot understand why so many people rated it so low! The book encompasses a wide range of characters and settings, ranging from a disgraced Abraham Lincoln to a triumphant Stonewall Jackson, victorious Confederate general of the 1st American Civil War. The book is set against the plausible background of a humbled United States, which has elected a 2nd Republican President, who is determined to put the seceded Confederate States in its place. He, President Blaine, would be thwarted in this goal by the intervention of Great Britain and France, in a war where the United States would find itself badly outmatched! The seeds for future US-vengeance on the Confederacy and her allies are been sown in this book, however, with the strengthening of US ties with Imperial Germany. As one of the prominent characters in this book is the German military attache, Von Schlieffen. We are also treated to such characters as a 22-year old Theodore Roosevelt and an unscalped Colonel Custer. All in all, a great read and is an excellent preview for the Great War Series!

Kurzbeschreibung  
From the master of alternate history comes an epic of the Second Civil War. It was an epoch of glory and success, of disaster and despair. Twenty years after the South won the Civil War, America writhed once more in the bloody throes of battle. Furious over the annexation of key Mexican territory, the United States declared total war against the Confederate States of America. And so, in 1883, the fragile peace was shattered. But this was a new kind of war, fought on a lawless frontier where the blue and gray battled not only each other, but the Apache, the outlaw, and even the redcoat. Along with France, England entered the fray on the side of the South, with blockades and invasions from Canada. Out of this tragic struggle emerged figures great and small. The disgraced Abraham Lincoln crisscrossed the nation championing socialist ideals. Confederate cavalry leader Jeb Stuart sought to prevent wholesale slaughter in the desert Southwest, while cocky young Theodore Roosevelt and stodgy George Custer bickered over modern weapons--even as they drove the British back into western Canada. Thanks to the efforts of journalists like Samuel Clemens, the nation witnessed the clash of human dreams and passions. Confederate genius Stonewall Jackson again soared to the heights of military expertise, while the North's McClellan proved sadly

undeserving of his once shining reputation as the "young Napoleon." For in the Second War Between the States, the times, the stakes, and the battle lines had changed . . . and so would history. Once again, Harry Turtledove has created a thoroughly engrossing alternate history novel, a profoundly original epic of blood and honor, courage and sacrifice, set amidst the raw beauty of young America's frontier wilderness. From the Hardcover edition.

From Booklist: Turtledove calls his numerous novels "alternative history." He changed the result of the Civil War by giving General Lee AK-47s in *Guns of the South* (1992); in *Worldwar* (1996), World War II came to a screeching halt as the belligerents united against alien space lizards. This current novel extends the Civil War theme. The year is 1881. Lincoln, since losing the Civil War and then the presidency, is an itinerant socialist speech-maker. In the Confederate States of America, President James Longstreet buys northern Mexico, and the U.S. president declares war, the course of which operates through several historical figures. In San Francisco, antiwar newspaper publisher Samuel Clemens talks himself out of seditious trouble with William Sherman, while the British fleet reduces the city to rubble. The British/Canadian invasion of Montana is stopped by Teddy Roosevelt, yelling "bully" constantly, and by George Custer, whose brother Tom dies, reappears, and then is later referred to as dead. The War in Mexico goes worse for the bluecoats, as would be expected, since they face the dashing, slashing J.E.B. Stuart and his "camelry" --whether their mounts are dromedaries or Bactrians is unclear. At Louisville, Stonewall Jackson reprises his successes by repelling the Union attack and capturing Frederick Douglass, war correspondent. Turtledove is successful in the plausible, albeit theatrical, characterizations of these figures, and his imaginative curiosity will appeal to the what-if segment of the vast Civil War readership, although they might trip over Tom Custer's dead-or-alive act. Gilbert Taylor

From Kirkus: Turtledove, having previously won the Civil War for the Confederacy in *The Guns of the South* (1992), does it all over again in this otherwise unconnected new alternate history yarn. This time, the South won the battle of Camp Hill (Antietam) in 1862 and thereafter, supported by both the French and British, swiftly consolidated victory. When, in 1881, the Confederate States of America moves to purchase Chihuahua and Sonora from Mexico, the USA, feeling beleaguered and insecure, declares war. There follows a prolonged and involved struggle wherein many famous individuals occupy unfamiliar roles. James Longstreet, for instance, is President of a defiantly slaveowning CSA, his opposite number being James G. Blaine of the slave-free but racist USA. Stonewall Jackson runs the CSA's military, while in the North, Ulysses Grant is a drunken, disgraced, and forgotten civilian. George Custer of the USA operates in Kansas, defending the border between the USA and the CSA. Theodore Roosevelt ranches in Montana; a chastened Abraham Lincoln tours the USA, espousing socialism. So, if the CSA is to win again, Longstreet must promise to abolish slavery in exchange for continued French and British assistance. Given the intrinsic appeal and interest of this critical historical nexus, it's a great pity that Turtledove can't improve on his usual ponderous, thudding, long-winded style. Expect sequels featuring Abraham Lincoln as America's Karl Marx. -- Copyright 1997, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved.