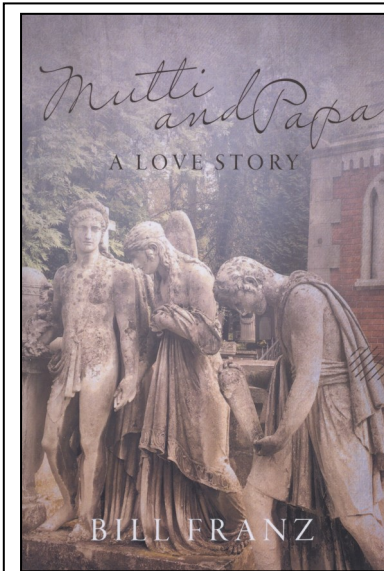


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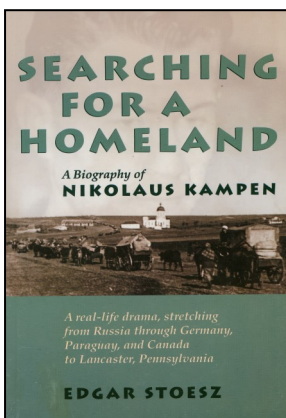
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When Nazi Germany invaded the Soviet Union in 1941, Stalin ordered the deportation of Russian citizens of German descent to Siberia. After his father and uncles were sent off to the Gulag, sixteen-year-old Johann Franz volunteered to join the Wehrmacht as an interpreter. This eventually saw him wounded and evacuated to Austria. He met and fell in love with a young Polish-born Ella Weber in a refugee camp in Ger-

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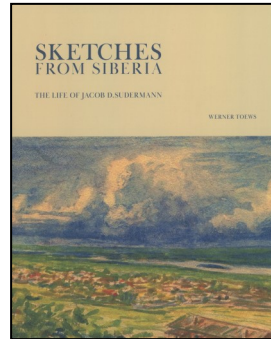
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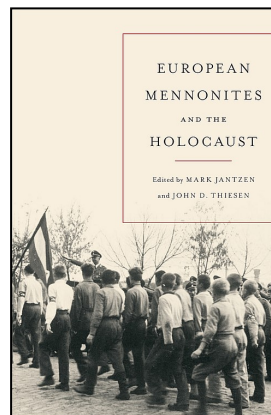
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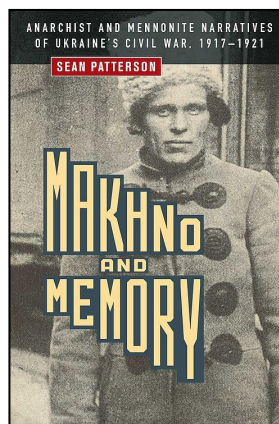
A biography of Jacob D. Sudermann's life of survival and art. Through story telling, Werner Toews sheds important light into another Russian Mennonite's life and story. Through Sudermann's paintings and story all can learn more about what the Russian Mennonite experience of life, suffering, and imprisonment was truly like. While imprisoned, Sudermann created small paintings that he would send to loved ones. Both the paintings and the inscriptions Sudermann would write on the back are strewn throughout the book.



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