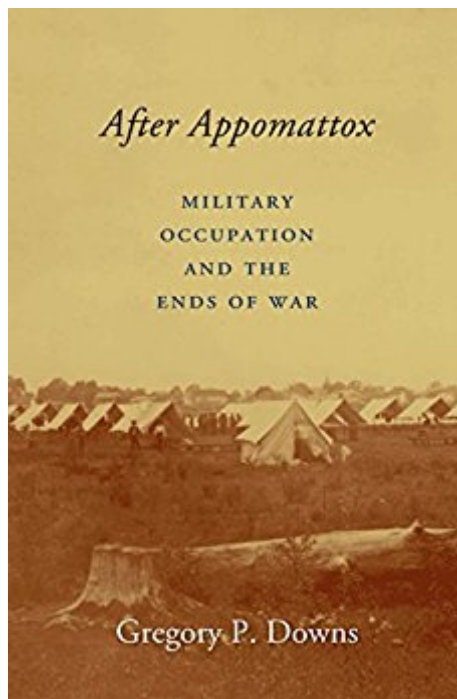


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After Appomattox



Synopsis

The Civil War did not end with Confederate capitulation in 1865. A second phase commenced which lasted until 1871â ”not Reconstruction but genuine belligerency whose mission was to crush slavery and create civil and political rights for freed people. But as Gregory Downs shows, military occupation posed its own dilemmas, including near-anarchy.

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Marvelous in every way. Confirmed what I've known for a very long time; that is- the South was under military occupation for many decades after the war and that when the U.S. Army finally left, blacks were flushed down the toilet by their former semi-liberators. Really convincing argument that Negroes in this country were damned if they do, damned if they don't. Yanks didn't want them up there taking jobs or breeding with enlightened whites and white southerners didn't want them because they had a huge axe to grind due to being so utterly defeated during the war. Real shame really. Explains why I felt that true advancement for Negroes in this country did not occur until the 1970s, and much of that led by the US military and its policy to do everything in its power to

advance the careers of black officers over and above whites. I am not bitching about it; saw it first-hand and it was a good policy. The military my son now officers in had largely gotten over the issue of women and minorities. I applaud Downs for writing such a revealing, original piece of work—nothing quite like it in literature.

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Everyone knows the story of Appomattox and the "end" of the Civil War. However, the events that followed are virtually unknown and essentially ignored. We now have Gregory Downs to thank for bringing those events and their consequences to light: the extensive military occupation of the post-Appomattox South, the continued Southern insurgency and its use of violence against the Freedmen. The political in-fighting in Congress, while highly detailed by the author, is somewhat dry. It does, though, provide a necessary context and gives a deeper picture of the highly complex process and purpose of Reconstruction. Most importantly, in our own Post 9-11 era, Downs challenges us to meditate on the uses and limitations of extra-constitutional powers, military occupation and nation building. Very worthwhile.

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The clearest explanation of the Reconstruction Era I have ever read and I was a history major in college.

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