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The Endtimes of Human Rights - Stephen Hopgood 2013-10-04
"We are living through the endtimes of the civilizing mission. The ineffectual International Criminal Court and its disastrous first

prosecutor, Luis Moreno-Ocampo, along with the failure in Syria of the Responsibility to Protect are the latest pieces of evidence not of transient misfortunes but of fatal structural defects in international humanism. Whether it is the

increase in deadly attacks on aid workers, the torture and 'disappearing' of al-Qaeda suspects by American officials, the flouting of international law by states such as Sri Lanka and Sudan, or the shambles of the Khmer Rouge tribunal in Phnom Penh, the prospect of one world under secular human rights law is receding. What seemed like a dawn is in fact a sunset. The foundations of universal liberal norms and global governance are crumbling."—from *The Endtimes of Human Rights* In a book that is at once passionate and provocative, Stephen Hopgood argues, against the conventional wisdom, that the idea of universal human rights has become not only ill adapted to current realities but also overambitious and unresponsive. A shift in the global balance of power away from the United States further undermines the foundations on which the global human rights regime is based. American decline exposes the contradictions, hypocrisies and weaknesses behind the attempt

to enforce this regime around the world and opens the way for resurgent religious and sovereign actors to challenge human rights. Historically, Hopgood writes, universal humanist norms inspired a sense of secular religiosity among the new middle classes of a rapidly modernizing Europe. Human rights were the product of a particular worldview (Western European and Christian) and specific historical moments (humanitarianism in the nineteenth century, the aftermath of the Holocaust). They were an antidote to a troubling contradiction—the coexistence of a belief in progress with horrifying violence and growing inequality. The obsolescence of that founding purpose in the modern globalized world has, Hopgood asserts, transformed the institutions created to perform it, such as the International Committee of the Red Cross and recently the International Criminal Court, into self-perpetuating structures of intermittent power and authority that mask their lack of democratic

legitimacy and systematic ineffectiveness. At their best, they provide relief in extraordinary situations of great distress; otherwise they are serving up a mixture of false hope and unaccountability sustained by “human rights” as a global brand. The Endtimes of Human Rights is sure to be controversial. Hopgood makes a plea for a new understanding of where hope lies for human rights, a plea that mourns the promise but rejects the reality of universalism in favor of a less predictable encounter with the diverse realities of today’s multipolar world.

Common Sense - Alfred Mitchell Bingham 1968
Includes section "News bulletin of the League for Independent Political Action", Apr. to Oct. 1933.

Matatu - 1994

The Boy on the Bridge (Extended Free Preview) -
M. R. Carey 2017-02-14
From the author of USA Today bestseller The Girl With All the Gifts, a terrifying new novel set

in the same post-apocalyptic world. Once upon a time, in a land blighted by terror, there was a very clever boy. The people thought the boy could save them, so they opened their gates and sent him out into the world. To where the monsters lived.

Library Journal - 2005

Human Rights Discourse in a Global Network - Lena Khor 2016-05-13

In her innovative study of human rights discourse, Lena Khor takes up the prevailing concern by scholars who charge that the globalization of human rights discourse is becoming yet another form of cultural, legal, and political imperialism imposed from above by an international human rights regime based in the Global North. To counter these charges, she argues for a paradigmatic shift away from human rights as a hegemonic, immutable, and ill-defined entity toward one that recognizes human rights as a social construct comprised of

language and of language use. She proposes a new theoretical framework based on a global discourse network of human rights, supporting her model with case studies that examine the words and actions of witnesses to genocide (Paul Rusesabagina) and humanitarian organizations (Doctors Without Borders). She also analyzes the language of texts such as Michael Ondaatje's *Anil's Ghost*. Khor's idea of a globally networked structure of human rights discourse enables actors (textual and human) who tap into or are linked into this rapidly globalizing system of networks to increase their power as speaking subjects and, in so doing, to influence the range of acceptable meanings and practices of human rights in the cultural sphere. Khor's book is a unique and important contribution to the study of human rights in the humanities that revitalizes viable notions of agency and liberatory network power in fields that have been dominated by negative visions of human capacity and moral action.

The Publishers Weekly - 2005

Serbian Democratic Forum - 1975

Library Journal - Melvil Dewey 2005

Includes, beginning Sept. 15, 1954 (and on the 15th of each month, Sept.-May) a special section: School library journal, ISSN 0000-0035, (called Junior libraries, 1954-May 1961). Also issued separately.

In the Lion's Mouth - Lewis Aptekar 2013-11-22

"In the Lion's Mouth is essential reading for scholars and field workers advancing humanitarian aid and human rights in the developing world. The book also provides cogent insight and information for clinicians who implement community mental health." Dr. David Swanger, Professor Emeritus, University of California, Santa Cruz "This book reminds us that precursors of counseling and therapy have been in practice for thousands of years around the world and that counseling was not a Euro-

American invention of the last few decades. Lewis Apteekar brings us with him as he seeks to reframe counseling and therapy 'outside the envelope'" Dr Paul B. Pedersen, Professor Emeritus, Syracuse University "Lewis Apteekar is one of the few scholars who places respect for the reality experienced by the people he studies above the illusion of the "categories" used in humanitarian aid. This ethical principle guides him and confronts him with dilemmas that an intelligent inquirer cannot avoid when facing people in difficult situations." Dr. Daniel Stoecklin, Professor, Institut Universitaire Kurt Bosh, IUKB, Children's Rights Unit, Sion, Switzerland "Can you imagine yourself living in Kaliti, a displaced person's camp in Ethiopia because you want to know what it's like to be such a person in such a place? But it's not just curiosity that takes you there. You are a skilled, well-practiced observer of human behavior in situ, so you know what to look for, what to record. And you are a first-class writer, easy to

read, whose accounts of what he saw and heard are transmitted with enough detail, enough conveying of emotion that the reader is simultaneously moved while being informed, that you feel as if you, too, are there, in this camp in Ethiopia. The author of this compelling account of the strengths and weaknesses of humanitarian aid programs as exemplified by this particular but not atypical instance is Lewis Apteekar. This book is, in my opinion, as good as his earlier two classics, *Street Children of Cali* (1988) and *Emotional Disasters in Global perspective* (1994)." Dr. Marshall Segall, Professor Emeritus, Syracuse University
Development, NGOS, and Civil Society - Jenny Pearce 2000

The rise of neo-liberalism and the so-called Washington Consensus have generated a powerful international ideology concerning what constitutes good governance, democratization, and the proper roles of the State and civil society in advancing development. As public

spending has declined, the nongovernment sector has benefited very significantly from taking on a service-delivery role. At the same time, NGOs, as representatives of civil society, are a convenient channel through which official agencies can promote political pluralism. But can NGOs simultaneously facilitate governments' withdrawal from providing basic services for all and also claim to represent and speak for the poor and the disenfranchised? The chapters describe some of the tensions inherent in the roles being played by NGOs, and asks whether these organizations truly stand for anything fundamentally different from the agencies on whose largesse they increasingly depend.

The Fletcher Forum of World Affairs - 1998

The British National Bibliography - Arthur James Wells 2005

Middle East Report - 2008

War, Literature, and the Arts - 2005

Spaces of Aid - Lisa Smirl 2015-03-12

Aid workers commonly bemoan that the experience of working in the field sits uneasily with the goals they've signed up to: visiting project sites in air-conditioned Land Cruisers while the intended beneficiaries walk barefoot through the heat, or checking emails from within gated compounds while surrounding communities have no running water. Spaces of Aid provides the first book-length analysis of what has colloquially been referred to as Aid Land. It explores in depth two high-profile case studies, the Aceh tsunami and Hurricane Katrina, in order to uncover a fascinating history of the objects and spaces that have become an endemic yet unexamined part of the delivery of humanitarian assistance.

The Canadian Teacher ... - Gideon E. Henderson 1910

Navy & Army Illustrated - 1901

Where Soldiers Fear to Tread - John Burnett
2006-06-27

A former investigative journalist and political speechwriter describes his work as a UN relief worker in Somalia, describing the roles of civilian UN workers in hot spots around the world, their dedication to humanitarian efforts, and the perils they face while working to help others. Reprint. 17,500 first printing.

The Need to Help - Liisa H. Malkki 2015-08-17

In *The Need to Help* Liisa H. Malkki shifts the focus of the study of humanitarian intervention from aid recipients to aid workers themselves. The anthropological commitment to understand the motivations and desires of these professionals and how they imagine themselves in the world "out there," led Malkki to spend more than a decade interviewing members of the international Finnish Red Cross, as well as observing Finns who volunteered from their

homes through gifts of handwork. The need to help, she shows, can come from a profound neediness—the need for aid workers and volunteers to be part of the lively world and something greater than themselves, and, in the case of the elderly who knit "trauma teddies" and "aid bunnies" for "needy children," the need to fight loneliness and loss of personhood. In seriously examining aspects of humanitarian aid often dismissed as sentimental, or trivial, Malkki complicates notions of what constitutes real political work. She traces how the international is always entangled in the domestic, whether in the shape of the need to leave home or handmade gifts that are an aid to sociality and to the imagination of the world.

Surviving Field Research - Chandra Lekha Sriram 2009-06-02

In recent decades there has been increasing attention to mass atrocities such as genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and other gross human rights violations. At the same time,

there has been a vast increase in the number of academics and researchers seeking to analyze the causes of, and offer practical responses to, these atrocities. Yet there remains insufficient discussion of the practical and ethical challenges surrounding research into serious abuses and dealing with vulnerable populations. The aim of this edited volume is to guide researchers in identifying and addressing challenges in conducting qualitative research in difficult circumstances, such as conducting research in autocratic or uncooperative regimes, with governmental or non-governmental officials, and perhaps most importantly, with reluctant respondents such as victims of genocide or (on the other side of the coin) war criminals. The volume proceeds in five substantive sections, each addressing a different challenge of conducting field research in conflict-affected or repressive situations: Ethics Access Veracity Security Identity, objectivity, behaviour. This important text will be vital reading for students,

scholars and researchers in the areas of research methods, international relations, anthropology and human rights. It will also be of keen interest to policy practitioners and NGOs, and especially relevant for those working in the regions of Africa, Latin America, and Asia.

Gates of Fire - Steven Pressfield 2007-01-30
NATIONAL BESTSELLER • “Steven Pressfield brings the battle of Thermopylae to brilliant life.”—Pat Conroy At Thermopylae, a rocky mountain pass in northern Greece, the feared and admired Spartan soldiers stood three hundred strong. Theirs was a suicide mission, to hold the pass against the invading millions of the mighty Persian army. Day after bloody day they withstood the terrible onslaught, buying time for the Greeks to rally their forces. Born into a cult of spiritual courage, physical endurance, and unmatched battle skill, the Spartans would be remembered for the greatest military stand in history—one that would not end until the rocks were awash with blood, leaving only one gravely

injured Spartan squire to tell the tale. . . .
The Sergeants Major of the Army - 2010

Yale Alumni Weekly - 1920

Where Soldiers Fear to Tread - John S. Burnett
2007

"When he arrived in Somalia, Burnett found a nation rent by a decade of anarchy, a people wary of foreign intervention, and a discomfiting uncertainty that the UN would remember he'd been sent there at all." "From Burnett's young Somali driver to the armed civilians, warlords, and colleagues he would never see again, this memoir delves into the complexity of humanitarian missions and the wonder of everyday people who risk their lives to help others in places too dangerous to send soldiers."--BOOK JACKET.

Dangerous Waters - John Burnett 2003-09-30
While sailing alone one night in the shipping lanes across one of the busiest waterways in the

world, John Burnett was attacked by pirates. Through sheer ingenuity and a little bit of luck, he survived, and his shocking firsthand experience became the inspiration for *Dangerous Waters*. Today's breed of pirates are not the colorful cutthroats painted by the history books. Unlike the romantic images from yesteryear of Captain Hook, Long John Silver, and Blackbeard, modern pirates can be local seamen looking for a quick score, highly trained guerrillas, rogue military units, or former seafarers recruited by sophisticated crime organizations. Including new, up-to-date information for the paperback edition, *Dangerous Waters* is both a dauntless investigation and an epic, breathtaking modern tale of the sea.

WLA - 2006

U.S. Marines and Irregular Warfare, 1898-2007 -
2008

Product Description: Since the tragic events of

9/11 and the consequent advent of the Global War on Terrorism, there has been a remarkable surge of interest in counterinsurgency. This anthology presents 27 articles on counterinsurgency and irregular warfare, particularly highlighting and examining the U.S. Marine Corps' roles in conflicts from 1898 through 2007. It also includes an extensive bibliography of works on these conflicts. Continuing discussion and study of these subjects is of critical importance to the ongoing efforts of the United States and its allies in the Global War on Terrorism. The anthology is divided broadly into two halves: the first half presents historical examples of counterinsurgency involving the United States—from the Philippines and the "Banana Wars" up through Vietnam—while the second half addresses the nation's contemporary efforts in this regard. Articles cover the situations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Horn of Africa. The selected bibliography addresses a broad range

of subjects: on higher-end operational/strategic level of war considerations, on geopolitical context, and on a varied array of related topics—political theory, historical case studies, failed states, cultural studies and analysis, and many others—that all provide context or play a role in conducting a counterinsurgency and achieving success in the realm of irregular warfare. Colonel Stephen S. Evans, USMCR, researched and compiled this work as a field historian with the Marine Corps History Division. He has experience at various operational levels, both joint and multinational, in CONUS and overseas, and has performed duty with all three MEFs, MARFORLANT, MARFOREUR, and U.S. forces in Korea. He has also held a range of positions in administrative and educational roles at Quantico and the Pentagon. Colonel Evans holds a doctorate in history from Temple University and has published two historical monographs. *Somalia* - Susan M. Hassig 2008 "Provides comprehensive information on the

geography, history, wildlife, governmental structure, economy, cultural diversity, peoples, religion, and culture of Somalia"--Provided by publisher.

Bookseller and the Stationery Trades' Journal - 1976

Man of War - Charlie Schroeder 2012-05-24
Confederates in the Attic meets The Year of Living Biblically in a funny and original memoir
In Arkansas, there is a full-scale Roman fort with catapults and ramparts. In Colorado, nearly a hundred men don Nazi uniforms to fight the battle of Stalingrad. On the St. Lawrence River, a group of dedicated history buffs row more slowly than they can walk—along with author Charlie Schroeder, who is sweating profusely and cursing the day he got a book deal. Taking readers on a figurative trip through time and a literal journey across America, *Man of War* details an ordinary guy's attempt to relearn history by experiencing it. Embedding with his

fellow countrymen, Charlie Schroeder jumps headlong into the idiosyncratic world of historical reenactment. From encounters with wildlife and frostbite to learning more than he ever expected about guns, ammo, and buttons, Schroeder takes readers to the front lines of bloodless battles in order to show exactly how much the past has to teach us all about our present (and explain why anyone would choose to wear wool in a heat wave).

The American Mercury - George Jean Nathan
1942

The Nation - 2005

WLA - 2006

Expositor and Current Anecdotes - 1903

The American Interest - 2005

Aid in Danger - Larissa Fast 2014-05-14

Humanitarian aid workers increasingly remain present in contexts of violence and are injured, kidnapped, and killed as a result. Since 9/11 and in response to these dangers, aid organizations have fortified themselves to shield their staff and programs from outside threats. In *Aid in Danger*, Larissa Fast critically examines the causes of violence against aid workers and the consequences of the approaches aid agencies use to protect themselves from attack. Based on more than a decade of research, *Aid in Danger* explores the assumptions underpinning existing explanations of and responses to violence against aid workers. According to Fast, most explanations of attacks locate the causes externally and maintain an image of aid workers as an exceptional category of civilians. The resulting approaches to security rely on separation and fortification and alienate aid workers from those in need, representing both a symptom and a cause of crisis in the humanitarian system. Missing from most

analyses are the internal vulnerabilities, exemplified in the everyday decisions and ordinary human frailties and organizational mistakes that sometimes contribute to the conditions leading to violence. This oversight contributes to the normalization of danger in aid work and undermines the humanitarian ethos. As an alternative, Fast proposes a relational framework that captures both external threats and internal vulnerabilities. By uncovering overlooked causes of violence, *Aid in Danger* offers a unique perspective on the challenges of providing aid in perilous settings and on the prospects of reforming the system in service of core humanitarian values.

Where Soldiers Fear to Tread - John Burnett
2007-12-18

“There is going to be a shooting here and it is a toss-up who is going to get the boy’s first round. The soldier, about ten years old, is jamming the barrel of his gun hard against my driver’s face, and unless the kid decides to go for me, the

relief worker, my driver is going to get his head blown off." WHERE SOLDIERS FEAR TO TREAD John Burnett survived this ordeal and others during his service as a relief worker in Somalia. But many did not. In this gripping firsthand account, Burnett shares his experiences during the flood relief operations of 1997 to 1998. Ravaged by monsoons, starvation, and feuding warlords, Somalia continues to be one of the most dangerous places on earth. Both a personal story and a broader tale of war, the politics of aid, and the horrifying reality of child-soldiers, his chronicle represents the astonishing challenges faced by humanitarian workers across the globe. There are currently thousands of civilian workers serving in over one hundred nations. Today, they are as likely to be killed in the line of duty as are trained soldiers. In the past five years alone, more UN aid workers have been killed than peacekeepers. When Burnett joined the World Food Program, he was told their mission would be safe, their help

welcomed—and they would be pulled out if bullets started to fly. When he arrived in Somalia, Burnett found a nation rent by a decade of anarchy, a people wary of foreign intervention, and a discomfiting uncertainty that the UN would remember he'd been sent there at all. From Burnett's young Somali driver to the armed civilians, warlords, and colleagues he would never see again, this unforgettable memoir delves into the complexity of humanitarian missions and the wonder of everyday people who risk their lives to help others in places too dangerous to send soldiers. "Where Soldiers Fear to Tread is a rousing adventure story and a troubling morality tale....If you've ever sent 20 bucks off to a relief organization, you owe it to yourself to read this book."--Michael Maren, author of *The Road to Hell: The Ravaging Effects of Foreign Aid and International Charity*
The Weekly Review - 1988-07

The Economist - 2006