



A Day with the Old Folks: Verdun, 1916 (Paperback)

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Outskirts Press, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.What is the face of combat like? A Day with the Old Folks shows what it was like to fight in the longest battle of World War 1: Verdun for just one 24 hour period. The Old Folks is a group of four German soldiers who have been together for nearly a year and have managed to survive longer than any squad in their company. The replacements that filled out their squad of eight have come and gone at an alarming rate yet these four have dodged death, wounds or capture. The rest of company is certain that they drain the luck from anyone who serves with them. There are even stories that the four were former patients in asylums for the criminally insane. The Old Folks come from diverse backgrounds. Kluggmann is a professional soldier called back from retirement who revels in killing. He is an adrenal junkie. Taken from the coal mines and forced to enlist in the Kaiser's army or spend time in prison for a near fatal assault on a store keeper,...

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