

A Shower of Frogs

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And Aaron stretched out his hand
over the waters of Egypt;
and the frogs came up,
and covered the land of Egypt.

—Exodus 8:16

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A Shower of Frogs is about a soldier who volunteered for the Army of the United States in 1942. Shakespeare, Aeschylus, and Stephen Vincent Benét lightened the ugliness of southern camps, North African bivouacs, and Italian beaches. An Irish girl in English uniform brightened days in Ballymena, Leicester and London while he trained, retrained, and prepared for landings in Normandy and Holland. Three fellow prisoners in German stalags helped to keep hope alive in spite of hunger, cold, and hatreds. Fifty-five years after V-E Day, he does not talk about his war. He does not forget. Nor does the reader.



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