

Mennonite Soldier

Readers Say

Guaranteed, Mennonite Soldier will dog you. . . It's the story of two prodigal sons, clothed in Mennonite tradition: one driven home at last; the other driven away at last, with the whys left up to you. . . The story is rhythmic, intense, suspenseful . . . Reed catches well the sometimes evasiveness of faith when one most intends to practice it, here in the lives of two young brothers, their worried parents and lonely girlfriends.

Phyllis Pellman Good, *Festival Quarterly*

Ken Reed has the rare ability of getting inside the head of Mennonite characters. For more than 20 years I required my students to read his book Mennonite Soldier in the course I taught every semester on Amish Society. It is absolutely the best descriptive analysis of Mennonite response to war and the manner in which Mennonites were treated by the military during World War I. My students always voted Reed's book as their favorite reading during the semester --- because it was most believable and most captivating.

--Professor Emeritus Joel Hartman

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