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June 1944: A recon flight is shot down over the Japanese-held island of Biak, soon to be the next jump in MacArthur's leapfrogging across New Guinea. Major Jock Miles, US Army—the crashed plane's intelligence officer—must lead the handful of survivors to safety. It's a tall order for a man barely recovered from a near-crippling leg wound. Gaining the grudging help of a Dutch planter who has evaded the Japanese since the war began, Jock discovers just how little MacArthur's staff knows about the terrain and defenses of the island they're about to invade.

The American invasion of Biak promptly bogs down, and the GIs rename the debacle Operation Fishwrapper, a joking reference to their worthless maps. The infantry battalion Jock once led quickly suffers the back-to-back deaths of two commanders, so he steps into the job once again, ignoring the growing difficulties with his leg. When his Aussie wife Jillian tracks down the refugee mapmaker who can refine those fishwrappers into something of military value, the tide of battle finally turns in favor of the Americans. But for Jock, the victory imparts a life-changing blow.

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Charles Nordstrom says

Operation Fishwrapper is an excellent read for alternative history fans. The author's style of writing is clear and eminently readable. His characters evolve as the series evolves. He has mastered the art of making his alternative history fiction just close enough to the actual history that it seems highly plausible unlike other alternative fictions that are so divorced from the actual events they feel like they must have occurred in another universe. Like most series, this series is best read in order, but each book can stand on its own if you prefer that.

Stan Cromlish says

Another Awesome Jock Miles Adventure

I've read the entire series 3 times now and it's just as good as the first time through. I'm hoping the author adds a short postscript to the series about what happens to Jock, Jillian, Patchett, and all the surviving members of Task Force Miles. That would be the perfect way to close the book on the series.

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Viva Jock Miles! Viva MacArthur!

This may be alternate historical fiction, but it certainly isn't historical fiction where MacArthur is concerned. My wife is a grand niece of Chester Nimitz, and Nimitz had a picture of MacArthur in his office. When asked why he had it, Nimitz replied that he kept it to "remind him what a jackals looked like." Mac was a man so full of himself it could make a man cringe. A pompous, self effacing jackals, who NEVER was concerned about anything but himself and how he would be awarded, he cared NOTHING about the men who sacrificed themselves to beat the Japs. Mr. Grassy makes some, however not enough reference to that in this last book in the Jock Miles story.

Gene Kerr says

WII Fighters

This is a book that you will not be able to put down when you start reading it. This is book five in a series of adventures.

Greg Oaster says

Great series

Well written and good character development. Enjoyed reading the stories from grunts point of view. Jock Miles was the epitome of a great leader

Andrew says

Just cannot put these books down. I know it is listed as a five book series, but one hopes a sixth may someday appear.

Adam Davis says

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Otavio says

That was really fun!

The paper pushers go down the drain. Our Hero does it again, and they live happily ever after. Again. The End.
