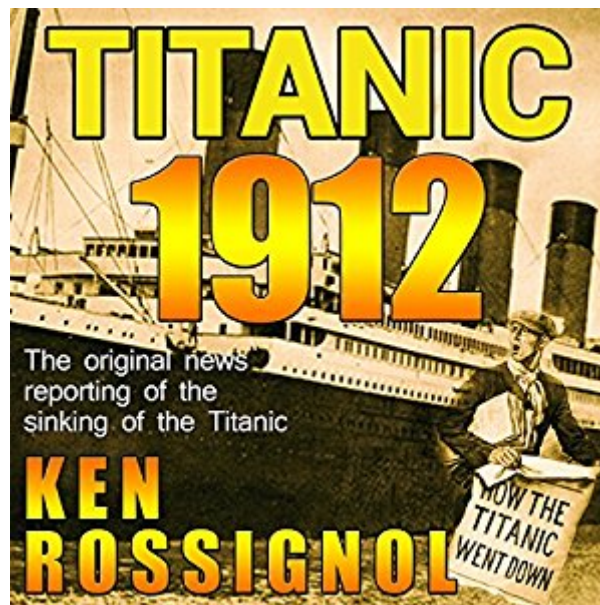




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Titanic 1912: The Original News Reporting Of The Sinking Of The Titanic



Synopsis

The original 1912 news accounts of the Titanic disaster include the first-hand accounts of survivors as told to reporters who met the ship bringing them from where they were saved from lifeboats. The surviving crew describes the crucial moments after the ship hit the iceberg. A crewman testifies just three days after the sinking that the ship had a fire in its coal bunkers from the time it set sail.

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Customer Reviews

It's more a critique of journalism at points than anything else. However I did enjoy reading excerpts from the old newspapers and it is a very readable document. Since the author does seem to know his stuff I would have been interested in him actually investigating some of the conspiracy theories about the Titanic. He mentions they exist as an aside but does not challenge or address them. For instance, the switch with another liner is mentioned by comments he'd plucked from the internet, but his only real parsing of the issue is the statement 'While spell check was used to clean up the comments for spelling, no software program exists to cleanse copy for insanity or stupidity.'

If you are a history buff who enjoys reading and learning about the Titanic you definitely will love this book. Ken Rossignol has done a fantastic job of researching the facts about the sinking of the Titanic. He found all the old newspaper stories regarding it and he put together a great story with all the facts, so there are all in one easy to read book. Thank you for your time of gathering the articles and putting them together in this one easy to read book for us.

This is a well researched and very well written book about the sinking of the RMS Titanic. Although it appears clear that the author is passionate about this topic, the author has maintained objectivity throughout this writing endeavor. As a reader familiar with the topic, it is a pleasure to give this author raving reviews due to the extent of the research that is evident upon reading this book. I highly recommend this book to anyone and all who may think they are familiar with this topic. If nothing else, it should instigate the reader to continue their research on this topic.

This is not a retelling of old stories. It's a good presentation of news stories of the day. You get a good feel for the rush to publish anything regarding the sad disaster. My only criticism would be the pictures of the newspapers. Yes, I understand the limitations of the kindle screen, however, I wish clearer scans would have been included.

I've read this book more than once, and highly recommend it. Such a tragedy, lives and ship loss because of greed, and carelessness. So glad for the information and a different perspective of what actually happened to cause the Titanic to sink. While the iceberg was there so was the fire. Well written and easy to read.

I thoroughly enjoyed this Ken Rossignol book. It was similar in writing style to his book Klan: Killing America, in that it contained numerous original newspaper articles, which is in a large part what makes it so interesting and original. It is really insightful to see what all the various newspapers wrote and how their accounts of the incident varied. The book was a refreshing read, especially if you prefer some commentary after all the movies, fiction writing, and documentaries on the Titanic. I had not read books written in this style before starting to read Rossignol's books. I hope he writes more. I personally found the comments in the book on the 2012 incident of the Concordia capsizing to be distracting, as I would have preferred he stay true simply to the Titanic, but others might really like the comparisons. I also occasionally found it difficult to determine when the writing was Ken's and when the writing was a newspaper article - sometimes it was easy to tell, sometimes I would have to reread several times and look back to make that determination. I was reading on an original Kindle Fire, so perhaps using another device it would be easier. The illustrations and photographs were outstanding and very clear on my device, although I wish I could have read the print on each. I wanted to know what each one of them said, and the print was not expandable. My only comment on his writing is that I think an additional proof for verb tense and punctuation is in order, especially on the use of commas - improper use in both the articles and the writing interrupts the flow of your

reading on occasion and forces you to carefully reread to determine the proper meaning of the sentences. Overall, I really enjoyed his book and hope he writes more in this style.

I've had a long fascination with the Titanic, like many people have, and this book was a good one to add to my list of books about the sinking of the iconic luxury liner. It tells about the news reporting about it at the time, and how all kinds of crazy things were printed. Even at one point, that it was saved and being towed back to safety. But this great tragedy will keep us interested for many more years to come, I believe.

How very interesting to see how the tragedy was portrayed in the world's newspapers. There were conspiracy theories, accusations made about burning coal weakening the sides. There were accusations made that people hold off telling their story until they were offered lots of money. They used the term "Yellow Journalism" during that time, due to all of the rumors and misinformation. This is a historic must read.

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