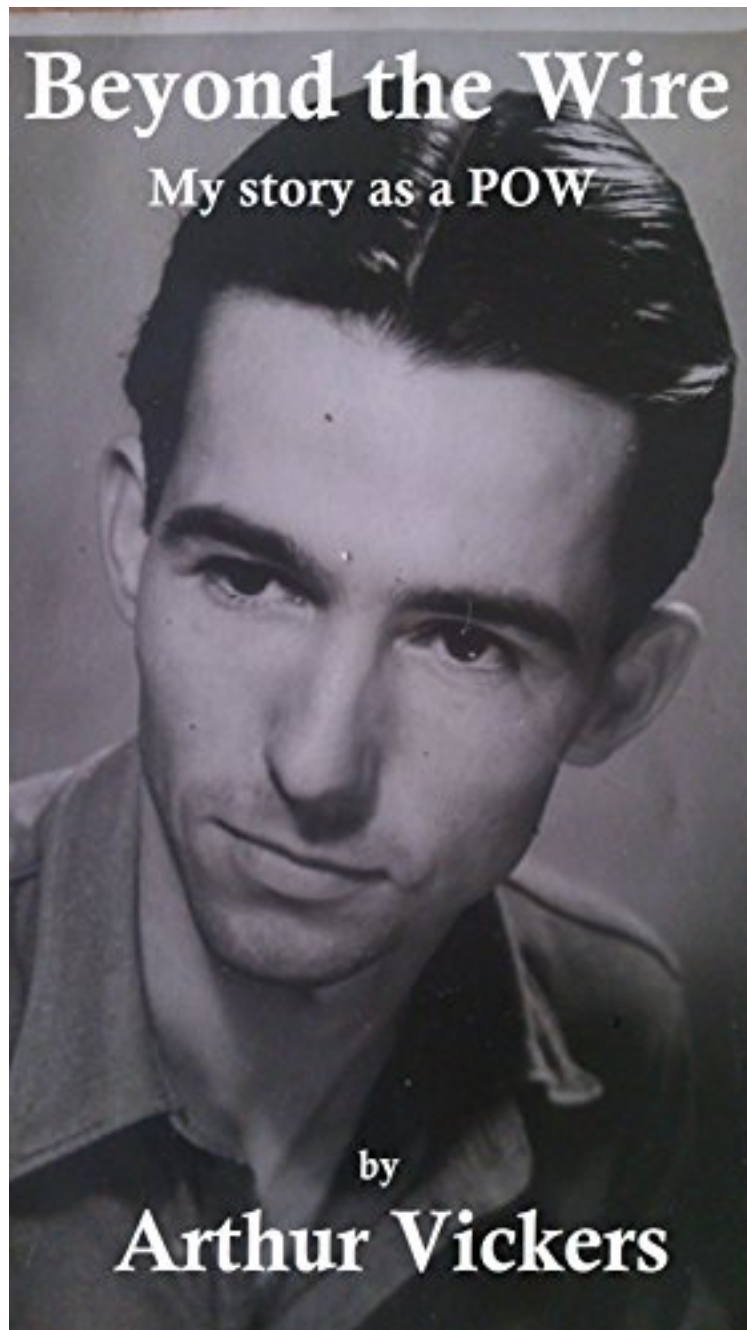


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Von Paul White : Beyond the Wire (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Beyond the Wire (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. One of the best books I've read in a long time! Von Karl Wiggins This bloody book! It just gets better and better and better! But and this is a HUGE BUT you just cannot read it in a public place. For the last 25% of the book I practically had tears rolling down my face continually. I honestly don't know where to begin with this review. There are a few typos and they certainly need sorting out, in fact the book needs a pretty good proof-read, but I honestly can't give it any less than a 5 Star. Arthur Vickers is a nice old man and he tells his story through his grandson Paul with such magnanimity of spirit and such stoicism, and without calling for a single jot of sympathy that I am totally humbled. But I think what really got me is a rather personal issue in that my own lad is the same age as Vickers was when he was first captured. It terrifies me, as it would any parent, to imagine him going through all this, but he's been a sportsman all his life and gifted with such remarkable endurance and tenacity that I'm absolutely convinced he could survive a 1500-mile winter march through three different countries just to stay alive. Like Vickers he'd steal vegetables from fields and eat them raw if need be. But would he survive working nine months down a mine, not knowing whether that was his lot for the rest of his life? I don't know. He'd handle the harshness of that existence, but would he reach a time when he mentally started to give up on himself and of ever getting back to London? This story broke my heart. I was reading it in bed with tears streaming down my face, not knowing if I could cope with the actual ending. And when it comes Vickers actually apologises for being over dramatic, when he's been anything but! If you only read one book this year, make sure it's this one.

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