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World War I is generally thought of as a European war, with its trench warfare, young poets, and war horses. As a result, the great South Asian story of the war has largely been forgotten, including the 1.5 million men of the Indian Army. The Hindus, Muslims, and Sikhs of Britain's Indian Empire played a crucial role in the Allied victory, fighting against the Central Powers in the mud of Flanders, the steaming jungles of Africa, and the baking deserts of the Islamic world.

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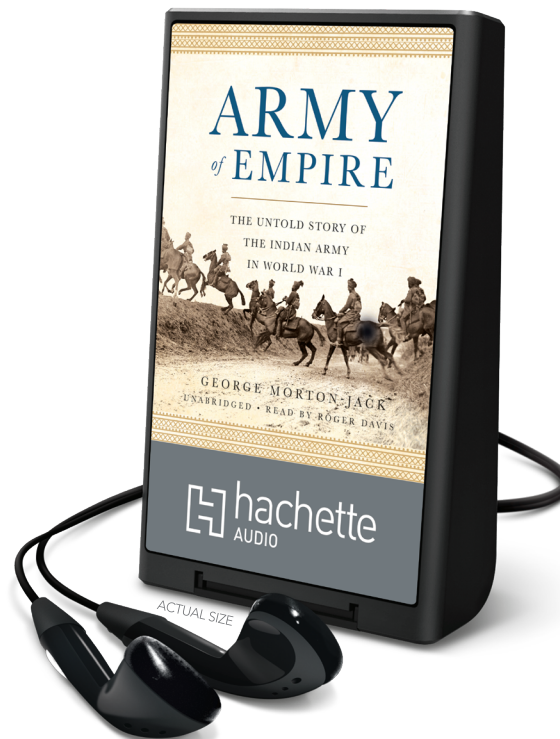
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