

Paul Fussell

MODERN LIBRARY CHRONICLES

# THE BOYS' CRUSADE

THE AMERICAN INFANTRY IN NORTHWESTERN EUROPE, 1944 - 1945

*Narrated by Joel Leffert*

National Book Award winner and recipient of the National Book Critics Circle Award, Paul Fussell is the author of 15 acclaimed books. *The Boys' Crusade* examines World War II in Northwestern Europe during the years 1944-1945 from the perspective of young American soldiers.

The WWII soldier was not always the tough, rugged man he was portrayed to be. One soldier wrote to his mother, "If you could only see us ... Kids that have never had a crack at life. Some have never worked and earned enough money and felt proud ...". Many soldiers were killed who had only just begun their journey through adulthood.

A Modern Library Chronicle, this book is concise, yet filled with vivid details. Joel Leffert's enriching narration enhances Fussell's descriptions and helps the listener understand the impact WWII had on young American men.



**Narrator Joel Leffert** is a graduate of Brown University and has been a professional actor for more than 30 years. He has been seen on Broadway, Off Broadway and in the country's major regional theatres. He toured Europe playing Salieri in *Amadeus*, and premiered at the National Theatre in London in the newly discovered Tennessee Williams play *Not About Nightingales*. His television appearances include *Law and Order* and *Third Watch*, and he had roles in the Woody Allen films *Deconstructing Harry* and *Celebrity*. Mr. Leffert is the artistic director of the Salamander Repertory Theater in New York City.

## Recorded Books

Unabridged Running Time: 4.5 hours

©2003 by Paul Fussell

©2004 by Recorded Books, LLC

Cover art by Joie Simmons; ©2004 by Recorded Books, LLC

Recorded by arrangement with Modern Library,

an imprint of The Random House Ballantine Publishing Group,

a division of Random House Inc.

ISBN: 978-1-4407-6645-9

[www.recordedbooks.com](http://www.recordedbooks.com)

Produced in the studios of Recorded Books Productions, LLC, New York  
Recorded Books, LLC, 270 Skipjack Rd., Prince Frederick, MD 20678.  
Recorded Books™ is a trademark of Recorded Books, LLC.  
All rights reserved. Unauthorized duplication strictly prohibited.

PLAYAWAY®

THE BOYS' CRUSADE

Paul Fussell

*Narrated by Joel Leffert*

Unabridged



RECORDED BOOKS

PLAYAWAY®

Playaway pre-loaded audiobooks are the best way to listen, unplugged and uninterrupted.

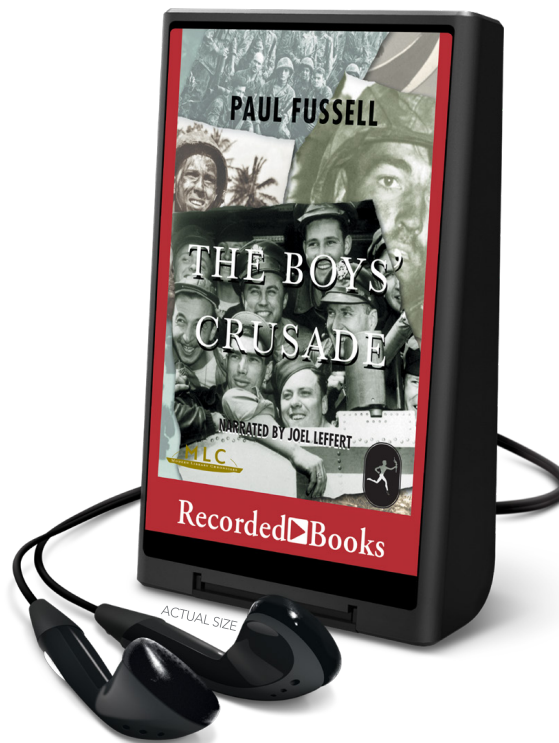
[WWW.PLAYAWAY.COM](http://WWW.PLAYAWAY.COM)

© 2023 Playaway. Patented. All rights reserved.  
Designed in Ohio. Made in China.



LIGHT

PLAYAWAY  
THE ALL-IN-ONE AUDIOBOOK



ACTUAL SIZE

PLAYAWAY® and associated logos are registered trademarks of Playaway Products LLC.  
31999 Aurora Road, Solon, OH 44139 USA