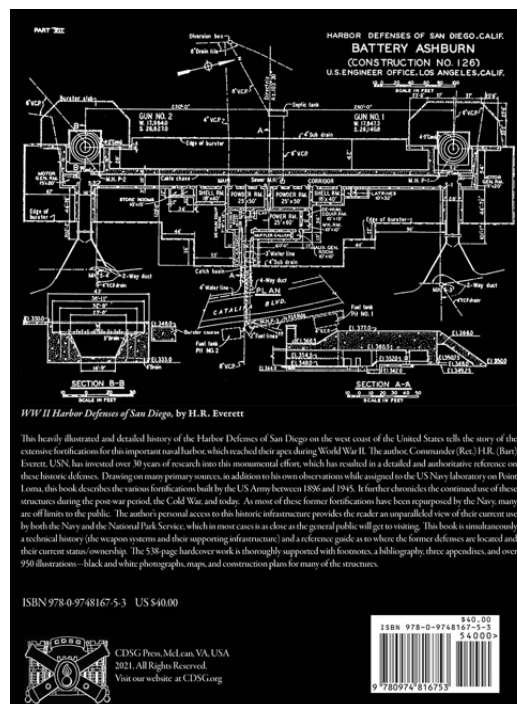
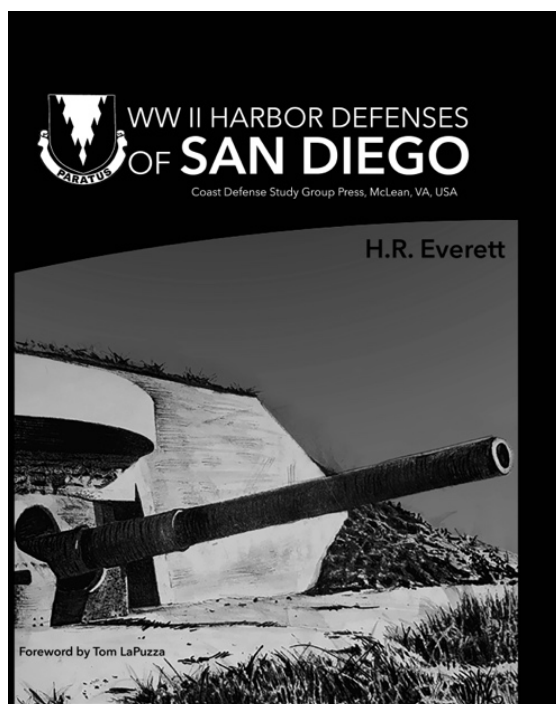


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by H. R. Everett

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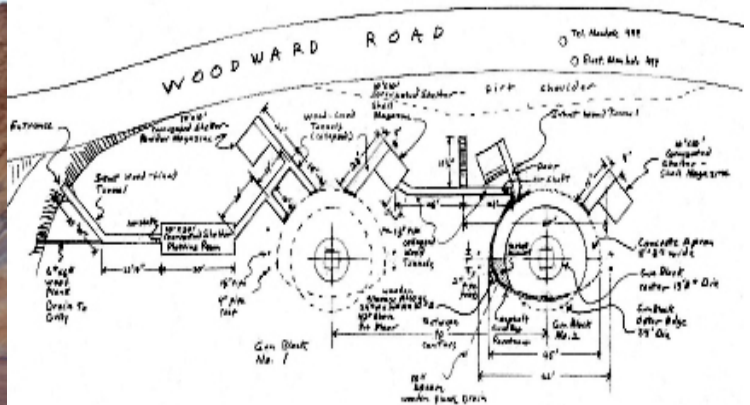
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Battery Ashburn, 2005



Field drawing of the layout of Battery Zeilin by Lee Guidry

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