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| John Hunt Publishing - **Top Hat Books** - announces the new title | | |
| **Her Morning Shadow**  Ron Semple  War and chaos are no match for an American immigrant bent on keeping a promise... Sequel to the award-winning Black Tom: Terror on the Hudson, Her Morning Shadow tells of a young Jewish Ukrainian immigrant, caught up in the aftershock of World War One. Private 'Abie' Ashansky is trying to build a new life in his adopted home in Jersey City, while searching for his missing fiancée. Spanning continents and relationships, this extraordinary account of one man's journey reveals a community where family is defined not only by blood but by the values and roots on which it is built.  **Author Bio** A longtime newspaperman who rose from cub reporter to publisher, Ron Semple is a fifth-generation Jersey City native. Semple was educated by the Jesuits. He is a former Marine, a retired Coast Guard auxiliarist, and a retired firefighter and paramedic. Semple spent the past ten years as a FEMA reservist deployed to a half-dozen hurricanes. He is married and has two grown daughters, a foster son and two grandchildren.  Online: [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009511683419), [Twitter](http://www.twitter.com/#!/@ronsemple17)  **Previous Titles** Black Tom: Terror on the Hudson (9781785351105), Top Hat Books, 2015.  **Endorsements** *Ron Semple has written a rich and piercing novel about how European war caught working people and quiet families in Jersey City, and hurled them into life and death. Here is a story of armies marching in the night and people trapped in unimaginable events. It is Mr. Semple's genius to depict the war's impact on blue collar American citizens, some of them first-generation Americans, an ocean away from the battlegrounds. Read this haunting story, and you will be introduced to modern times.* ***Richard S. Wheeler, Historical novelist and winner of the Owen Wister Lifetime Achievement Award***  **Promotional Plans** Social media promotion including daily posts with visuals and excerpts from the book. Book signings in New Jersey and North Carolina bookstores, as well as at historical societies, libraries, veteran’s organizations. Interviews on local radio and NC public television program Bookwatch. Source endorsements from key historical fiction writers.  **USP** The follow-up to Ron Semple's debut novel, Her Morning Shadow delves into the tangled history of the Ukraine and the worldwide chaos that ensued in the wake of the Armistice one hundred years ago.  **Competing Books** Black Tom: A Novel of Sabotage in New York Harbor 9781536926279, by Patrice Hannon Create Space, 2016  **Categories** FICTION (General)(FIC014000) -> Historical(FIC014000) FICTION (General)(FIC032000) -> War & Military(FIC032000) FICTION (General)(FIC051000) -> Cultural Heritage(FIC051000) |  | **Publication Date** November 2018  **Paperback** ISBN: 978-1-84694-493-2 $23.95  |  £14.99 8.5x5.5 inches | 216x140 mm 344PP  **e-book** ISBN: 978-1-84694-990-6 $7.99  |  £4.99  **Library of Congress** 2017957126 |
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