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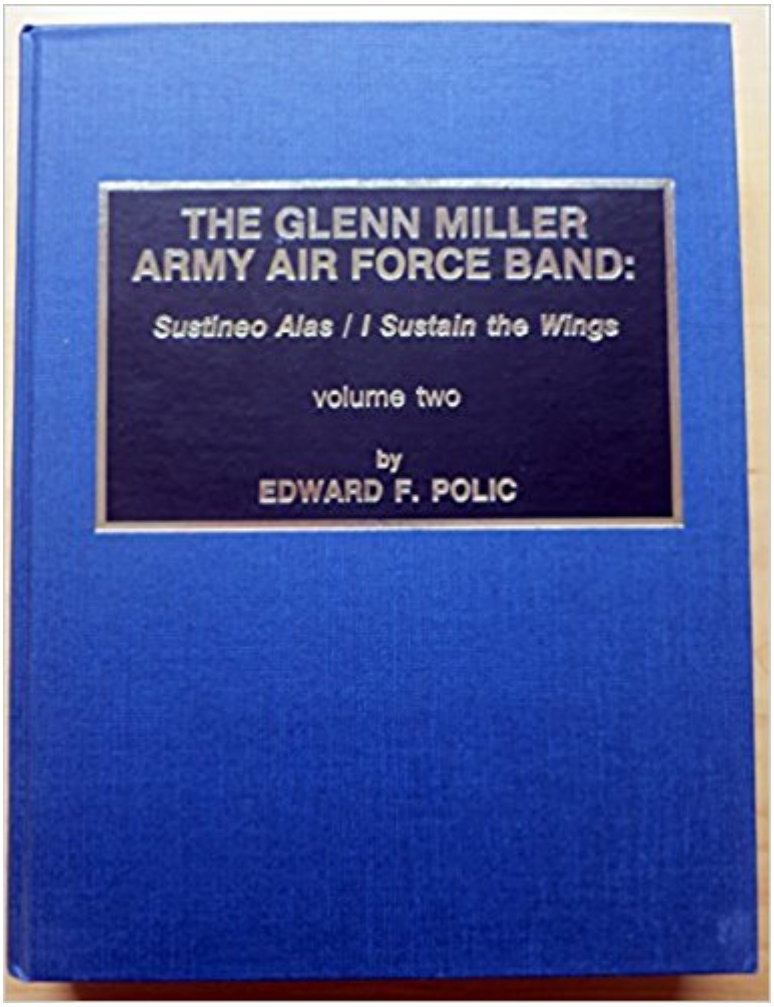

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Synopsis

Foreword by George T. SimonPolic covers a small but significant period of Glenn Miller's life and music, from his enlistment in 1942 and the beginning of his Army Air Force Band in 1943, through its end in late 1945, giving an overall history of the band and a detailed recounting of the day-by-day activities of the band. With various indexes and two appendixes.

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Ed's 2-volume set added an extraordinary new depth of information and understanding in which to listen with renewed enjoyment to my Glenn Miller AAF/AEF band music collection! His complete discography details every single performance by date, location,time, personnel, tunes played,(unit-Orch., Swing Shift, Uptown Hall,Strings with Wings, etc.) vocalists, etc. in the USA, UK and Europe!Then a complete alphabetical tune listing provides a cross-check list of every date that tune was performed!Plus Glenn's letters/enlistment papers,etc.! A monumental effort that is definitive and a "must have".

This 2 volume set by Edward F. Polic is a work and labor of love. Extensive research and labor have gone into this 2 volume set detailing every step of the way, the Glenn Miller Army Air Force Band. Every performance, band member, dates and times are recorded in this book. The serious collector won't want to pass up an opportunity to purchase this book. I was fortunate to find this 2 volume set still wrapped in plastic and in mint condition!

With exquisite expertise and monumental research efforts, this two-volume set is the ultimate discographical and historical source for this legendary musical aggregation.With very rare exceptions in the chronology, Mr. Polic has succeeded in bringing to light the entire gamut of every aspect of the unit's activities at home and abroad, save for personnel and/or venue details lost to the historical record surrounding a miniscule number of in-person appearances.Also, there remains some mystery regarding lost mastersof certain sessions known to have been recorded but still lacking a definitive answer regarding their disposition through either civilian or military hands.The work is easily adaptable to end-user revision as previously unreleased material becomes available through various domestic and foreign labels.Apart from this definitive source material, Mr. Polic has acted behind the scenes with various record producers within the States and overseas in an effort to bring as much of the civilian and AAF recorded libraries to the buying public as possible...despite some inane obstacles placed in the path by some rather short-sighted label executives.Mr. Polic's efforts on both fronts are incomparable.

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