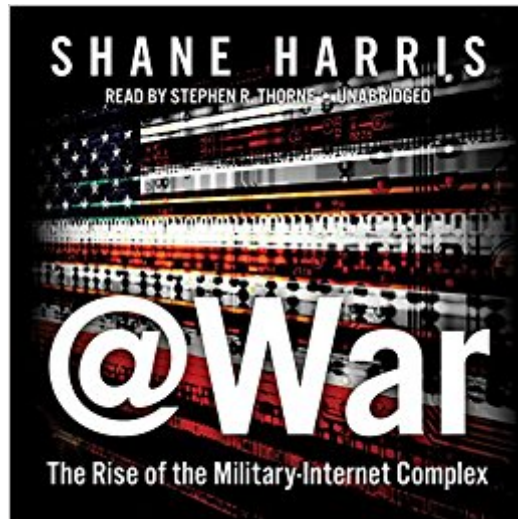




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# @War: The Rise Of The Military-Internet Complex



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[Read by Stephen R. Thorne] A surprising, page-turning account of how the wars of the future are already being fought today The United States military currently views cyberspace as the "fifth domain" of warfare - alongside land, sea, air, and space - and the Department of Defense, National Security Agency, and CIA all field teams of hackers who can - and do - launch computer virus strikes against enemy targets. In fact, as @War shows, US hackers were crucial to our victory in Iraq. Shane Harris delves into the front lines of America's new cyberwar. As recent revelations have shown, government agencies are joining with tech giants like Google and Facebook to collect vast amounts of information. The military has also formed a new alliance with tech and finance companies to patrol cyberspace, and Harris offers a deeper glimpse into this partnership than we have ever seen before. Finally, Harris explains what the new cybersecurity regime means for all of us who spend our daily lives bound to the Internet - and are vulnerable to its dangers.

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"Readers will squirm as they learn how every communications enterprise cooperates with the national security establishment. Harris delivers a convincing account of the terrible cyberdisasters that loom and the intrusive nature of the fight to prevent them." --Publishers Weekly

Cloak-and-dagger, high tech, and big business converge in this revelatory, page-turning account of a new kind of conflict, less visible but more invasive than any wars America has fought before. The United States military views cyberspace as the fifth domain of warfare (alongside land, air, sea, and

space), and the Pentagon, the National Security Agency, and the CIA field teams of hackers who launch cyber strikes against enemy targets and amass staggering quantities of personal information on all of us. These same virtual warriors, along with a growing band of private-sector counterparts, are charged with defending us against the vast array of criminals, terrorists, and foreign governments who attack us with ever-increasing frequency and effectiveness. Shane Harris infiltrates the frontlines of this fifth domain, explaining how and why government agencies are joining with tech giants like Google and Facebook to collect vast amounts of information. The military has also formed a new alliance with tech and finance companies to patrol cyberspace, and Harris offers a more penetrating and unnerving view of this partnership than we have ever seen before. Finally, he details the welter of opportunities and threats that the mushrooming military-Internet complex poses for our personal freedoms, our economic security, and the future of our nation. " --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

More scary than Steven King; a great suspense, horror thriller. But it is not a novel--it is true and shows us how military strategic and tactical cyber-war can affect us all. This book opens our eyes to the potential of unspeakable disaster in our lives whether we play with our computers or not. The most horrible element of this story is that it is true and happening to us this very moment--just ask SONY and the people who tried to play with their new X-boxes. I no longer think that, as a nation, we are safe when we hide our heads in the cyber-sand.

Definitely worth the read and very informative of the past, present and future of the internet as well as cyber security. Hopefully many things in this book never come to fruition like disallowing anonymity on the internet with digital passports. The internet and freedom of speech are becoming a smaller and smaller network that is not open to our future as it was never written in our constitution that we have the right to remain anonymous. I see a new amendment coming down from the Supreme Court YEARS from now that will provide anonymity and freedom of speech digitally.

Very timely book. I was surprised how much of the "cyber war" takes place not in government or military circles but in the commercial world. I hope the author writes a follow-up soon.

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the CIA all field teams of hackers who can, and do, launch computer virus strikes against enemy targets. (including individuals - like Gloria Naylor). Watch RT-News' program on the surveillance-state or find the surveillance-machine on youtube.... Five Eyes. Full Spectrum Dominance. We are watching you. Down to the minutest detail. One wrong step, one wrong move, and we will pull a file on you. Anything you do or say, can and will be used against you - in a public or subversive show-trial. (I dedicate this page to the T.I.s who died because of psychopathic Stress Surveillance, Gang Stalking, Zersetzung and Human Flesh Search).

This is about as thorough and exhaustively researched book on the subject of cyber security as you're going to find. It's certainly timely as well, what with the recent hacking into Sony and the embarrassing release of emails which may not turn out to be as destructive as it seems(though heads rolling at the top may be an expected casualty of the event; moreover it's difficult to definitely establish that North Korea in fact was the brains behind the hacking success).My own and only complaint is that it would have been helpful if the author with all his prodigious research had included at least one flow chart to graphically illustrate the source and direction of the hacking process even using real incidents which could enhance one's understanding in a visual way about how this kind of thing works.

Extremely well-researched book written with a reporter's neutral eye. Wish it covered more than just the military but that's hardly a complaint.

Superbly written so that even self proclaimed non-techies can understand it, this book puts the entire cyber domain in perspective. Learn about "lost days" and other defensive and offensive operations. It is fascinating from beginning to end.

This is a quick read and good appetizer for those interested in this thing called cyberspace. The author filled in many gaps in my knowledge about high profile cyber events such as Stuxnet. If you're interested in issues such as privacy versus security and the future of our cyber lives, you can't go wrong reading this book. It caused me to buy several other books on related subjects.

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