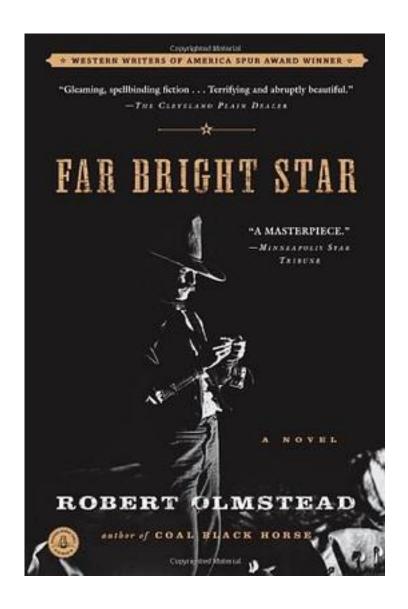
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Set in 1916, "Far Bright Star" follows Napoleon Childs, an aging cavalryman, as he leads an expedition of inexperienced soldiers into the mountains of Mexico to hunt down Pancho Villa and bring him to justice. Though he is seasoned at such missions, things go terribly wrong and the patrol is brutally attacked. After witnessing the demise of his troops, Napoleon is left by his captors to die in the desert. Through him we enter the conflicted mind of a warrior as he tries to survive against all odds, as he seeks to make sense of a lifetime of senseless wars and to reckon with the reasons a man would choose a life on the battlefield. Olmstead, an award-winning writer, uses his precise, descriptive prose to explore the endurance and fate of the last horse soldiers. The result is a tightly wound novel that is as moving as it is terrifying.

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评论

Far Bright
Star读完,远看故事本身非常诗意,但细看的话每个字都是沙漠炼狱般让人绝望的野蛮与残暴,完全不向读者妥协,Napoleon和Preston经历酷刑写了3大章,连其中的幽默感都带着残酷的尾巴。Napolean就在这样的残暴中麻木,痛苦,失落,生存,死亡,然后新生。一些关于死亡与战争的思考非常黑暗。成就Far Bright
Star的是Olmstead创造的令人窒息的炙热沙漠氛围以及野蛮残酷的暴行给角色带来的折磨,文字的作用很重要,希望改编的时候能找好这方面的平衡。

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