



## Crimson Gold

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CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. Paperback. Book Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. Paperback. 138 pages. Dimensions: 9.0in. x 6.0in. x 0.3in. September 1939, Territory of Alaska Four people have been brutally murdered in the prospecting community in the Dutch Hills. The victims included Harmon and Zelda Johnson, owners of a successful prospecting business, John Brady, who worked for Harmon Johnson and Elias Franks, an old prospector and long time resident of the Dutch Hills It was common knowledge that there was animosity between Elias and the Johnsons. The Johnsons had reported to the authorities that Elias had made threats and they feared for their lives. A formal complaint was never filed. At the time of the murders, law enforcement in Alaska was under the jurisdiction of the FBI. WW11 was on the horizon, and the FBI was redirecting the majority of their resources to investigate espionage cases. Unable to assign an agent to the case, it was handed over to U. S. Commissioner and Probate Judge Bob Maywood and U. S. Attorney Joe Keith. Maywoods office was in Talkeetna, the last town before the long hike to the Dutch Hills. Maywood was very familiar with the feud between the...



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