

### *About the Author of this Book:*

**BRUCE BLIVEN, Jr.**, a New Yorker who was born in California, has written two military histories: *Battle for Manhattan*, a detailed account of the fighting in New York in September, 1776, and *The Story of D-Day: June 6, 1944* in the Landmark series. He was a field artillery captain in the Second World War and took part in the assault on Omaha Beach.

Mr. Bliven started writing as a newspaperman. He was a reporter for the *Manchester Guardian* and an editorial writer for *The New York Post*. He is the author of *The Wonderful Writing Machine*, a light-hearted history of the typewriter, and has contributed articles and reviews to many magazines, including the *New Yorker*, *Atlantic*, *Harper's*, *McCall's* and *Reader's Digest*.

### *About the Illustrator of this Book:*

**ALBERT ORBAAN** has been doing book illustration since 1947 following his discharge from the army at the end of World War II. Prior to that he was a newspaperman in New York City. He was a Netherlands citizen before he became a United States citizen in the 1930s.

Mr. Orbaan's two previous Landmark assignments, *The Story of D-Day* and *America's First World War*, have been of special interest to him, for he saw many of the battle sites of both wars while on active service in Luxembourg, France and Belgium in 1944 and 1945.