

The Road Less Taken

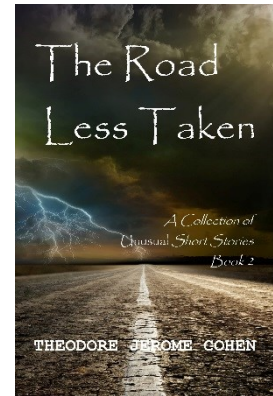
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Theodore Jerome Cohen's first collection of *unusual* short stories met with such an unqualified success that he was persuaded to prepare a second set of equally enjoyable stories about the adventure we call "life." This book continues his penchant for writing tales that mix truth and fiction in ways even the author's friends and family find difficult to detangle . . . tales about people with whom he's worked or simply known, people who, for one reason or another, struck him as having a story to tell and from whom he learned something that has stayed with him through the years. It's their stories he wants to share with you in this book. Here you'll find *unusual* stories about a violinist and his wife who escaped the death camp at Treblinka, about a man who, because of his impatience, interrupted a meeting of Roosevelt, Churchill, and De Gaulle, and about a young woman's descent into the darkness of schizophrenia—stories vividly brought to life in this, the second collection of short stories by Theodore Jerome Cohen.



Theodore Jerome Cohen, PhD, is an award-winning author who has published more than ten novels, all but one of them mystery/thrillers. He also writes Young Adult (YA) novels under the pen name "Alyssa Devine." During the course of his 45-year career he has worked as an engineer, scientist, CBS Radio Station News Service (RSNS) commentator, investor, private investigator, and Antarctic explorer. What he's been able to do with his background is mix fiction with reality in ways that even his family and friends have been unable to unravel! His most recent writings include collections of unusual short stories titled *The Road Less Taken (Books 1 and 2)* and a ripped-from-the-headlines novel, *Wheel of Fortune*, a mystery/thriller based on an actual FBI sting that took place in southeastern Pennsylvania some years ago involving a New York-based crime-infested cartage association. Prior to this he wrote *Eighth Circle*, which was inspired by instances of mob-influenced corruption in New York City, and *Night Shadows*, which dealt with the subjects of child abuse, teenage rape, and teen suicide. Earlier mystery/thrillers included *Lilith: Demon of the Night*, inspired by real-life instances of vampirism, and *House of Cards: Dead Men Tell No Tales*, inspired by the 2008 financial crisis, which was precipitated by the housing bubble. Finally, an earlier novel of the same genre, *Death by Wall Street: Rampage*

of the Bulls, focused on corruption within the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the incompetence of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). From December 1961 through early March 1962, Dr. Cohen participated in the 16th Chilean Expedition to the Antarctic. The US Board of Geographic Names in October, 1964, named the geographical feature Cohen Islands, located at 63° 18' S. latitude, 57° 53' W. longitude in the Cape Legoupil area, Antarctica, in his honor. Dr. Cohen's Antarctic Murders Trilogy describes what happened following a robbery of the Banco Central de Chile in Talcahuano in May, 1960. The robbery and the events that took place primarily between May 1960 and March 1962, are described in *Frozen in Time: Murder at the Bottom of the World* (Book I). *Unfinished Business: Pursuit of an Antarctic Killer* (Book II) reveals the events that unfolded between March 1962 and March 1965. *End Game: Irrational Acts, Tragic Consequences* (Book III) takes place in 1965 and resolves most, but not all, of the issues raised in the series. The entire Antarctic Trilogy can be found in one Kindle edition titled *Cold Blood*. Dr. Cohen's first novel, *Full Circle: A Dream Denied, A Vision Fulfilled*, which is based on his life as a violinist, was published in 2009. Dr. Cohen at one time was a violinist with the Bryn Athyn (PA) Orchestra and particularly enjoys the music of Gustav Mahler. Finally, Dr. Cohen has published more than 450 papers, articles, columns, essays, and interviews, and is a co-author of *The NEW Shortwave Propagation Handbook* (from CQ Communications). For more information on Dr. Cohen and his novels, the interested reader is invited to view the book descriptions, photographs,

and videos that can be found at <www.theodore-cohen-novels.com>. His Young Adult novels can be found at <www.alyssadevinenovels.com>.