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Hitchcock's most recent book, *The Bitter Road to Freedom: A New History of the Liberation of Europe* (Free Press, 2009), explores the civilian experience of liberation in Europe at the close of World War II. It was a Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, and won the 2009 George Louis Beer Prize from the American Historical Association. He is presently working on a collection of essays, with Petra Goedde, on the international history of human rights.

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