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Hopewell Publications Acquires Eric Hoffer Memoir

*Hopewell Publications announces the acquisition of American philosopher Eric Hoffer's **Truth Imagined**. The updated version will include commentary from key American journalists and noted documentary filmmaker John McGreevy. Award-winning author Christopher Klim tapped to edit.*

In an effort to expand their biographical line, Hopewell Publications is acquiring the rights to important new and out-of-print memoirs. One of their primary targets was reached with the signing of Eric Hoffer's **Truth Imagined**, the book that outlines the great American thinker's life on the road as a Depression Era migratory worker.

The publisher has enlisted award-winning author/satirist and magazine editor Christopher Klim (*The Winners Circle*, *Jesus Lives in Trenton*, etc.) to oversee this updated version. "I've been working closely with the Hoffer estate since last spring," Klim said. "We've gone back to his original notes and papers. We want to update the production, while remaining true to Hoffer's austere sensibilities."

Eric Hoffer burst onto the scene in 1951 with his irreplaceable tome on the nature of mass movements and humankind, **The True Believer**. Although he is generally known as the "longshoreman philosopher," Hoffer considered his preceding years along the California coastline—where his jobs ranged from crop picking to gold prospecting—as the period of his most fertile thoughts. Couple this with the fact that he was blind until age fifteen, it was amazing, as Hoffer said, "that he lived to the age of thirty," much less became one of the most intelligent and distinctive voices in America literature.

"Hoffer's early life and road years compose the very essence of **Truth Imagined**," Klim said. "His style is clear and concise, engaging in a deceptively simple way, but his insight on mankind and the ordeal of change is dead-on, not to mention relevant today. As society pulls once again at the edges, Hoffer can explain why, as if he had a lens to the future. It's essential to restore this book to print."

The selection of Christopher Klim as the editor of **Truth Imagined** seems a natural choice. He is a renaissance man as well, a former space program physicist, turned praised author in several genres and a magazine entrepreneur (*Writers Notes Magazine*). His latest novel, **The Winners Circle**, which satirizes the highs and lows of an American lottery winner, is gathering swift praise.

The publication of **Truth Imagined** is slated for late 2005.

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