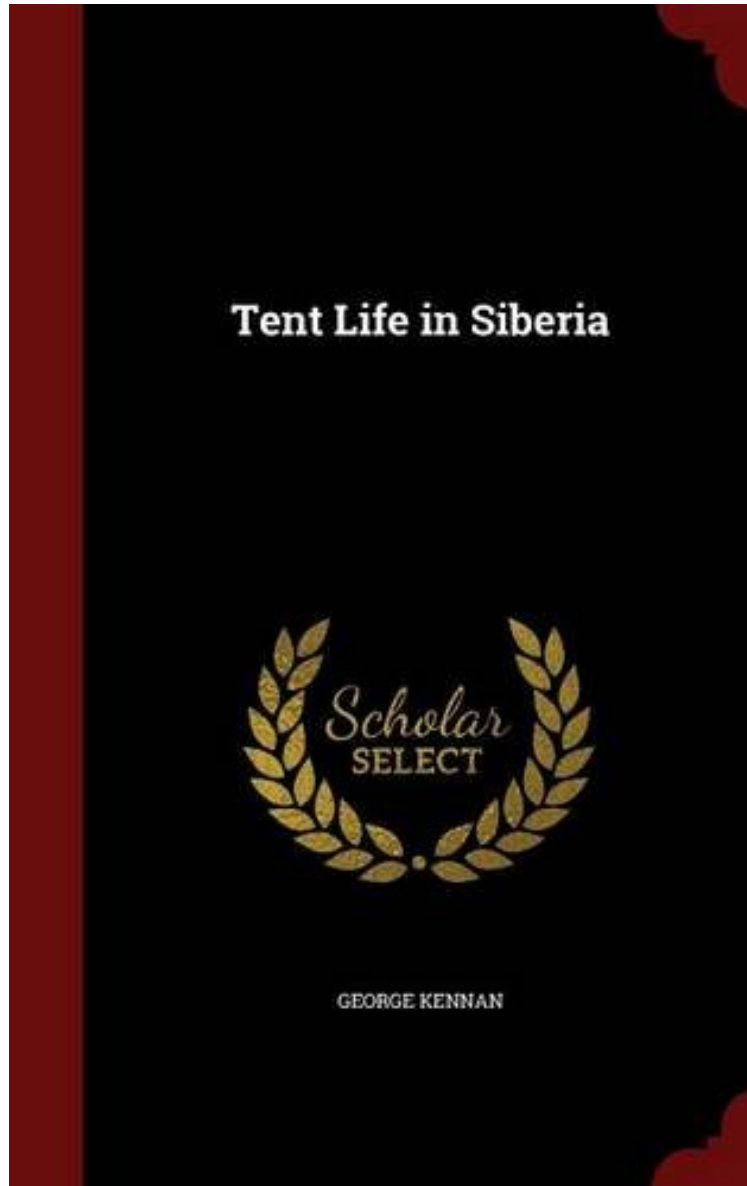


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George Kennan : Tent Life in Siberia before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tent Life in Siberia:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This is an excellent travel/wilderness adventure tale By Mike Timmons I read the Kindle edition of this work a couple years ago, and I am back here to purchase a printed version. This is an excellent travel/wilderness adventure tale. Mr. Kennan takes us back to a very early, "globalization" effort to

build a Bering Sea telegraph link. His cultural experiences with native Siberians are priceless, as I suspect most all of these cultures and ways-of-life to be now gone. The author gives us harrowing wilderness survival accounts and wonderful depictions of the vast nature he encountered. His timeless humor is wonderful. I have found that memoirs with some humor reveal the timelessness of the human experience. We often think the world changes so much that we must also be entirely different than our forbears, but when we appreciate what Mr. Kennan saw to be funny we realize we could sit with him today and likely laugh at the same humor, perhaps with cleaner language as that evolves. Mr. Kennan wrote a gem that can truly immerse you in a time now gone, and a region that is awe-inspiring but unlikely to be visited by most of us.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Surprised to find it for free!

By Christopher T. Dahle I have *Tent Life* in hard cover, but it's packed away in one of my many boxes of books that are dear to me, but which I don't have time to re-read or space to shelve in a too small house. I noticed this when I was reading reviews of "George F. Kennan: An American Life", John Lewis Gaddis' new biography of the diplomat, George F. Kennan. (The author of *Tent Life* was a cousin of the diplomat's grandfather.) *Tent life* is an engaging real life adventure of the older George Kennan's work on a proposed trans-Siberian telegraph line, proposed to link Europe and The Americas via a telegraph line across the Bering Straight. The project was canceled after a second attempt at a trans-Atlantic cable succeeded, but we get a good look at Siberia in the pre-Soviet era. A good read if you like this sort of thing.

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. *Tent Life in Siberia (Illustrated)* By Sandy This is one of the best books I've ever read. There were several versions of the book on offer, and at first I chose the wrong one. Be sure you get the Illustrated version! I didn't know there were any illustrations until I got to the end, and there were the captions for pictures, but no pix! I actually bought the book again to get the one with photos. The author, George Kennan, explores Siberia while it was still tribal. He witnessed the famous Aurora Borealis of 1867 and describes it in stunning detail. The best part about the book is that it is hilarious. Kennan had a sense of humor that never quits.

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