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This is a first edition, third printing of Folyd Gibbons war science fiction. "The Red Napoleon believes that the supremacy of the white race must be ended; that all races should be put in the melting pot so that only one human race should emerge."