

ALBERT MALTZ

A LONG DAY

IN A SHORT LIFE

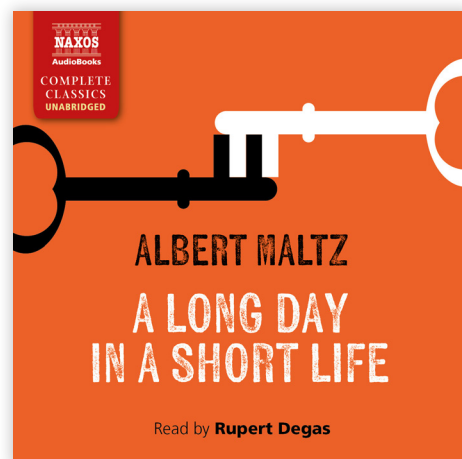
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