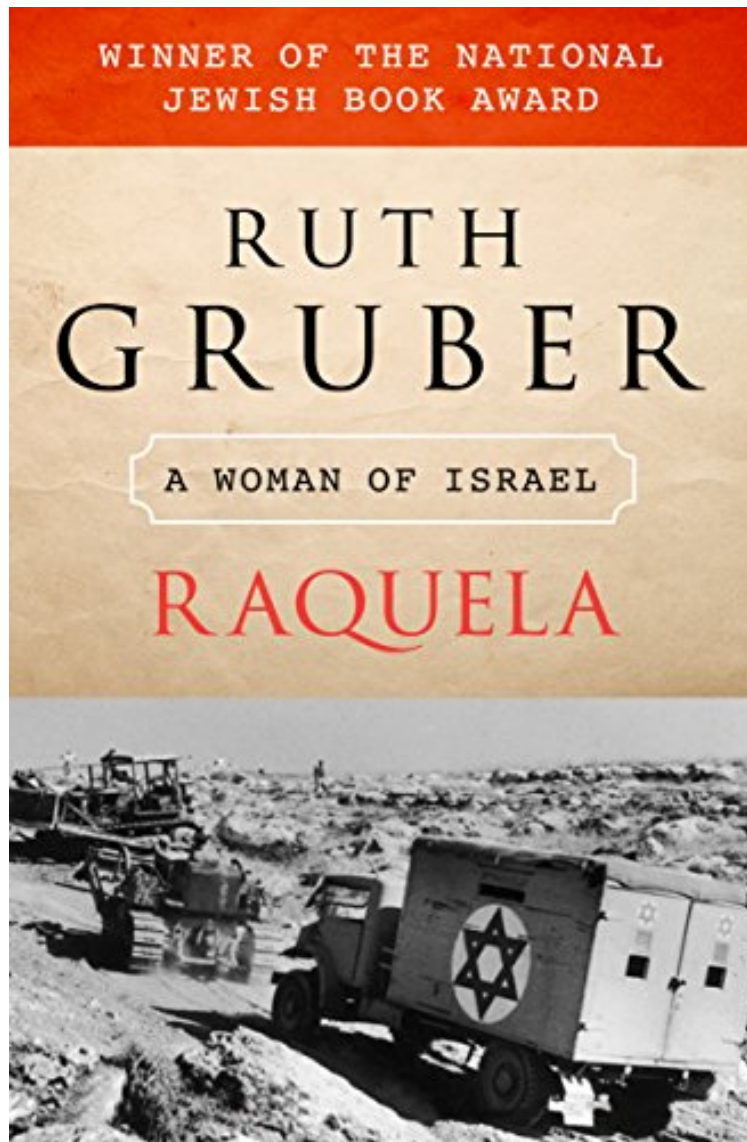


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Ruth Gruber is an adventure in herself. New York Herald Tribune