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1. Byrd, Richard Evelyn, 1888-1957. Gould, Laurence McKinley, 1896-1995; Geological sledge trip. Little America: Aerial Exploration in the Antarctic: the Flight to the South Pole. New York ; London: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1930. First edition (sated). Quarto in blue wraps, gilt-stamped and titled; xvi, 422 pages: illustrations, maps (some folded), portraits; 24 cm. Illustrated lining-papers. A very bright & tight copy, with personal owner signature, a single minor fold-crease to one of the maps at rear and a wee bit of sunning to rear board; else overall near fine. Lacking —and deserving of—a jacket. Hardcover.

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2. Deutsche Akademie der Luftfahrtforschung. Schriften Der Deutschen Akademie Der Luftfahrtforschung. Corp. Band 7B; 1943; Heft 2. München: Kommissionsverlag von R. Oldenbourg, 1943. First ed. 69 pages. illustrations; 25 cm. Near fine. Paperback.

In German. Aeronautics -- Research -- Germany -- Periodicals. [100794]

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3. Franklyn, Irwin R. Take-Off. by Irwin R. Franklyn. Indianapolis: Bobbs-Merrill Co, 1930. 1st ed. Octavo in olive green cloth; 282p Very good(+) tp near fine(-) with gentle signs of weathering and wear to exterior. Hardcover.

Nice tight clean copy of the early aviation novel. / Aéronautique -- Romans, nouvelles, etc. Aeronautics. Airplanes, flying. Aviation \$40.00 [101248]



4. Hamilton, James William; Bolce, William Joseph. Gateway to Victory. The Wartime Story of the San Francisco Army Port of Embarkation. [B]y Captain James W. Hamilton and First Lieutenant William J. Bolce, Jr. Foreword by General Douglas MacArthur.. Stanford University: Calif., Stanford University Press, 1946. Quarto in illus orange wraps; xvi, 220 pages including frontispiece (map) diagrams plates, portraits 25 cm. Very good(-) with minor external wear. Tight and clean. Paperback.

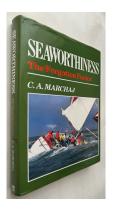
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5. Howard, Keble. The Zeebrugge Affair. New York: George H. Doran Company, 1918. v, 7-64 pages frontispiece (map) plates, portraits 20 cm. London edition (Chatto and Windus) has title: The glory of Zeebrugge and the "Vindictive." Very good(+) with soiling to exterior. Paperback.

London edition (Chatto and Windus) has title: The Glory of Zeebrugge and the "Vindictive." ¶ Contents: 1. What Zeebrugge and Ostend mean -- 2. Captain Carpenter in his attic -- 3. How the plans were laid -- 4. The great fight -- 5. A museum in a trunk -- 6. On board H.M.S. Vindictive -- 7. The man who felt frightened -- 8. What the Marine told the Huns -- 9. I hear they want more -- British Admiralty official narrative: Zeebrugge and Ostend: first attack; Ostend: second attack. \P The Zeebrugge Affair refers to the Zeebrugge Raid that took place during World War I on April 23, 1918. The raid was an attempt by the British Royal Navy to block the Belgian port of Bruges-Zeebrugge. The port was an important base for the German navy's U-boats, which were causing significant damage to Allied shipping. The plan was to sink obsolete ships in the canal entrance to prevent German vessels from leaving port. The raid was only partially successful. While the British did manage to sink two ships, the canal was not effectively blocked, and the Germans were able to move their U-boat operations elsewhere. The Zeebrugge Raid was a daring plan and involved significant bravery from the British forces involved. It was heavily publicized in Britain as a heroic act of defiance against German submarine warfare. Despite its limited military success, the raid provided a much-needed morale boost for the British public." ... [¶ Raids sur Zeebrugge-Ostende, Belgique, 1918. Named Corp: Vindictive (Cruiser: 1897-1918) Vindictive (Cruiser: 1897-1918) Time: 1918 General Info: Other format available: Online version:; Howard, Keble, 1875-1928.; Zeebrugge affair.; New York, George H. Doran company, [1918]; Online version:; Howard, Keble, 1875-1928.; Zeebrugge affair.; New York, George H. Doran company, [1918] Class Descriptors: LC: D594.Z4; Dewey: 359.43 Responsibility: by Keble Howard (J. Keble Bell ...) with the British official narratives of the oeprations at Zeebrugge and Ostend; exclusive and official photographs. \$25.00 [100816]



Footsteps In The Sky

6. Marchaj, C. A. (Czesław A.). Seaworthiness: the Forgotten Factor. Camden, ME: International Marine Pub. Co, 1986. First edition. Quarto; x, 371 pages: illustrations; 28 cm; bibliographical references (pages 352-365) and index. Fine(-) in near fine(+) jacket in archival mylar. Hardcover. ISBN: 0877422273; 9780877422273

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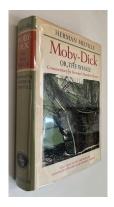
7. McLaughlin, Helen E. Footsteps in the Sky: an Informal Review of U.s. Airlines Inflight Service 1920s to the Present. Denver, Colo: State of the Art, 1994. xx. 330 pages: illustrations; 28 cm. Includes bibliographical references (pages 322-323). Near fine (+) with very gentle wear to exterior. Paperback. ISBN: 0930161025; 9780930161026

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8. Melville, Herman. Moby-Dick, Or, the Whale. [by] Herman Melville; commentary by Howard Mumford Jones; text and notes prepared by Harrison Hayford and Hershel Parker; illustrated by Warren Chappell. New York: W.W. Norton, 1976. First edition thus; first printing (full number line). Quarto in color illus jacket; xix, 585 pages: illustrations; 25 cm; bibliographical references. Fine in near fine(+) jacket, with gently sunned spine, in archival mylar. Two minor spots to top edge. Hardcover. ISBN: 0393044025; 9780393044027; National Library: 014285949; LCCN: 75-20032

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9. Pappas, Costas E; Pappas, Thetis H. To the Rainbow and Beyond. New York: Vantage Press, 1992. 1st ed, first printing (full number line). Small quarto in illus jacket; xv, 346 pages: illustrations) A new very fine) copy in very fine jacket housed in archival mylar. Hardcover. ISBN: 053310226X

Includes signature and lengthy inscription by the Costas E. Pappas to Congressman Tom Lantos. Huisband and Wife co-authors. Author Costas Ernest Pappas (1910 - 1992) was an American aeronautical engineer and consultant; he received the Wright Brothers award from the Society of Automotive Engineers in 1943, an award from the Republican Aviation Corporation in 1944, and a Certificate of Distinction from New York University College of Engineering in 1955 Ingénieurs en aéronautique -- États-Unis -- Biographies. Aeronautical engineers. Named Person: Pappas, Costas E. Pappas, Costas E. Geographic: United States. Greek-Americans. Aviation Histptry. Memoir. Fighter jets. History of Aviation [100570]

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10. Parks, Walter P. **The Famous Fliers' Wall of the Mission Inn.** California: W.P. Parks, 1986. 1st ed. Small quarto in polished blue cloth; xi, 266 pages: b&w photos, portraits; 24 cm; index. Near fine(-) copy with scuff to spine head. Binding very tight; leaves clean. No jacket. Hardcover.

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11. Rolski, Tadeusz Henryk. Uwaga, Wszystkie Samoloty. Warszawa: Pax, 1968 (1959). Later printing. Octavo in stamped and illus brushed light grey cloth; 342 pages, 32 unnumbered pages of plates: illustrations. Some spotting & foxing to cloth boards; else tight and clean within. No jacket (possible as issued). Very good thus. Hardcover.

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"Tadeusz Henryk Rolski was born on August 18, 1906, in Przeworsk, Poland, and passed away on September 27, 1991, in Warsaw. He was a lieutenant colonel in the Polish Air Force. Rolski began his military career in 1930, initially serving as an observer in the 54th Squadron of the 5th Air Regiment. After completing pilot training, he served in various capacities, including as a tactical officer and squadron commander. During World War II, he participated in the September Campaign in Poland, during which he achieved two confirmed aerial victories. He was later sent to Romania to receive French and British aircraft, but the planes never arrived. Rolski eventually made his way to France and then to the United Kingdom. In the UK, he organized and commanded the 306 "Toruń" Squadron and later became the commander of the 1st Polish Fighter Wing, making him the first non-British Commonwealth commander of a wing in the RAF. He was also the first non-Briton to be awarded the Distinguished Service Order.

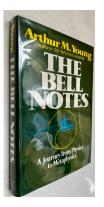
After the war, Rolski returned to Poland and worked for the Polish airline PLL LOT until he was dismissed for political reasons in 1949. He later worked in the Civil Aviation Department of the Ministry of Transport. Rolski authored a book about his wartime experiences titled "Uwaga, wszystkie samoloty!" ("Attention, All Planes!"). He was posthumously honored with the "Witness of History" award by the Institute of National Remembrance in Rzeszów on October 18, 2019. A street in Przeworsk bears his name, and the 22nd Command and Control Center in Bydgoszcz was named in his honor in 2008."— Wikipedia [translated from Polish] ¶ World War, 1939-1945 -- Aerial operations, British. World War, 1939-1945 -- Campaigns -- Great Britain. World War, 1939-1945 -- Personal narratives, Polish. Guerre mondiale, 1939-1945 -- Opérations aériennes britanniques. Guerre mondiale, 1939-1945 -- Campagnes et batailles -- Grande-Bretagne. Military campaigns. Military operations, Aerial -- British. Military operations, Aerial -- Polish. Named Corp: Poland. Polskie Siły Powietrzne. Poland. Polskie Siły Powietrzne. [101158]



12. Rowland, John. The Jet Man; the Story of Sir Frank Whittle. New York: Roy Publishers, 1967. First US ed. Octavo in pale blue cloth and pale blue jacket illus in b&w; 139 pages 21 cm. Near fine, with small, slight lower edge bump to board lips only, in near fine(+) jacket with a two extremely tiny closed edge-tears, in archival mylar. Hardcover. ISBN:

"Air Commodore Sir Frank Whittle...(1907 – 1996) was an English engineer, inventor and *Royal Air Force (RAF) air officer. He is credited with having invented the turbojet engine.* A patent was submitted by Maxime Guillaume in 1921 for a similar invention which was technically unfeasible at the time. Whittle's jet engines were developed some years earlier than those of Germany's Hans von Ohain, who designed the first-to-fly (but never operational) turbojet engine. Whittle demonstrated an aptitude for engineering and an interest in flying from an early age. At first he was turned down by the RAF but, determined to join the force, he overcame his physical limitations and was accepted and sent to No. 2 School of Technical Training to join No 1 Squadron of Cranwell Aircraft Apprentices. He was taught the theory of aircraft engines and gained practical experience in the engineering workshops. His academic and practical abilities as an Aircraft Apprentice earned him a place on the officer training course at Cranwell. He excelled in his studies and became an accomplished pilot. While writing his thesis he formulated the fundamental concepts that led to the creation of the turbojet engine, taking out a patent on his design in 1930. His performance on an officers' engineering course earned him a place on a further course at Peterhouse, Cambridge, where he graduated with a First. Without Air Ministry support, he and two retired RAF servicemen formed Power Jets Ltd to build his engine with assistance from the firm of British Thomson-Houston. Despite limited funding, a prototype was created, which first ran in 1937. Official interest was forthcoming following this success, with contracts being placed to develop further engines, but the continuing stress seriously affected Whittle's health, eventually resulting in a nervous breakdown in 1940. In 1944 when Power Jets was nationalised he again suffered a nervous breakdown, and resigned from the board in 1946. In 1948, Whittle retired from the RAF and received a knighthood. He joined BOAC as a technical advisor before working as an engineering specialist with Shell, followed by a position with Bristol Aero Engines. After emigrating to the U.S. in 1976 he accepted the position of NAVAIR Research Professor at the United States Naval Academy from 1977 to 1979. In August 1996, Whittle died of lung cancer at his home in Columbia, Maryland. In 2002, Whittle was ranked number 42 in the BBC poll of the 100 Greatest Britons."—WikipediaAviation; Jet airplanes; Avions à réaction -- Ouvrages pour la jeunesse. Jet planes. Whittle, Frank, 1907-1996 -- Juvenile literature. Whittle, Frank, 1907-1996 Rowland, John, 1907-1984. Aviation History [101626]

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13. Young, Arthur M. **The Bell Notes: A Journey From Physics to Metaphysics.** New York: Delacorte Press/S. Lawrence, 1979, ©1979. First ed., first printing (stated). 205 pages: illustrations; 24 cm; index. Fine copy with a few tiny spots to fore-edge. Sharp jacket in archival mylar:. Hardcover. ISBN: 0440005507; 9780440005506

A very nice copy. / "Arthur M. Young (1905–1995) was an American inventor, helicopter pioneer, cosmologist, philosopher, and the founder of the Institute for the Study of Consciousness in Berkeley, California. He is best known for designing the Bell Model 47 helicopter, the first helicopter to be certified for civilian use in the United States. Young started his career in the field of aeronautics and spent many years developing his helicopter design. He eventually partnered with Bell Aircraft Corporation, leading to the creation of the Bell Model 47. This helicopter was a major success and played a significant role in the development of the helicopter industry. After his success in aviation, Young turned his attention to philosophy and metaphysics. He developed a theory known as the "Theory of Process" that sought to reconcile scientific and philosophical concepts. He also established the Institute for the Study of Consciousness to further study these ideas. Throughout his life, Young demonstrated a unique ability to combine technical innovation with philosophical inquiry. His contributions to both aviation and philosophy have left a lasting legacy." / Metaphysics. First philosophy. Hélicoptères -- Histoire. Métaphysique. metaphysics. First philosophy. Helicopters. Metaphysics. Named Person: Young, Arthur M., 1905-1995. Young, Arthur M., 1905-1995. Autobiographies. \$55.00 [100705]