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Will Traverse is a war baby, a Brisbane boy, and in later life a taciturn and solitary retired engineer. But there is another side to Will – romantic, lyrical, and deeply sensitive to the culture of the original inhabitants of this part of South-East Queensland. His work on a novel about the impact of the arrival of the Europeans coincides with the unexpected re-kindling of a lost love. As he and Mary Wright hesitantly rediscover their mutual affection the long arc of their own story becomes interwoven with Will's emerging novel. Together, the two stories reveal layers of history of the Brisbane region – a metropolis radically transformed again within Will's lifetime. *Meanjin Crossing* ends enigmatically, a mix of sadness and hope, and certainty that the story is not over.

In the Silence of the Migrated Birds Macmillan

Cross-species genetics are a factor of science all but untouched by ethical scientists today, yet the fact of the matter is that with enough effort and research and proper testing, warfare and indeed life itself would be drastically different. In this sense, the basis of "The Ghost Bird" starts with such experiments being covertly conducted throughout the mid 20th century, and the results, although beyond what could've been imagined, were horrifying. Furthermore, man in this surreal existence has had to deal with this mistake for just short of 100 years, and all while keeping the public eye blind to this plague of Bird Men.

Thrilling of "Bird Men" with Flying Machines EmmausWay Press

BROKEN WINGS reveals the tragedy of

Alaska civil aviation from early bush pilots to modern jetliners, providing a unique perspective on the technology and human factors involved in aircraft mishaps. Written with expert analysis of aircraft operations, pilot procedures, weather phenomenon and aviation systems, the thirty stories detail major flying disasters in *The Last Frontier*, including some of the deadliest air crashes in United States history. Nowhere have civil aircraft accidents been as prevalent as in Alaska. The progression of unfortunate events and often unforeseen consequences not only offers a historical perspective on the development of aviation, but is an enduring example of the failure of even the best designed aircraft and the experienced pilots who fly them.

Holy Shroud Syracuse University Press

In addition, the enormous spans of cranes' migrations have encouraged international conservation efforts."

The Routledge Dictionary of Modern American Slang and Unconventional English Harper Collins

Migratory songbirds are disappearing at a frightening rate. By some estimates, we may have already lost almost half the songbirds that filled the skies only 40 years ago. Following the birds on their 10,000-kilometre migratory journey, Bridget Stutchbury looks at the most threatening factors in their extinction, from pesticides, still a major concern decades after Rachel Carson first raised the alarm, to the destruction of vital habitat; from the bright lights and structures in our cities—which are a minefield for migrating birds—to climate change. We may well wake up in the near future and hear no songbirds singing. We won't only be missing their cheery calls, we'll be missing a vital part of our ecosystem.

Time Wisconsin Historical Society
Fifty years after the publication of the seminal *Silent Spring*, Conor Mark Jameson reflects on Rachel Carson's legacy and asks the question - are we still silencing the spring?

Popular Mechanics Publication
Consultants

The Wright Brothers were wimps. Or so you might think after reading this account of their unsung but even more daring rivals—the men and women who strapped wings to their backs and took to the sky. If only for a few seconds. People have been dying to fly, quite literally, since the dawn of history. They've made wings of feather and bone, leather and wood, canvas and taffeta, and thrown themselves off the highest places they could find. Theirs is the world's first and still most dangerous extreme sport, and its full history has never been told. *Birdmen, Batman, and Skyflyers* is a thrilling, hilarious, and often touching chronicle of these obsessive inventors and eccentric daredevils. It traces the story of winged flight from its doomed early pioneers to their glorious high-tech descendants, who've at last conquered gravity (sometimes, anyway). Michael Abrams gives us a brilliant bird's-eye view of what it's like to fly with wings. And then, inevitably, to fall. In the *Immortal Words of Great Birdmen...* "Someday I think that everyone will have wings and be able to soar from the housetops. But there must be a lot more experimenting before that can happen." —Clem Sohn, the world's first batman, who plummeted to his death at the Paris Air Show in 1937 "The trouble was that he went only halfway up the radio tower. If he had gone clear to the top it would have been different." —Amadeo Catao Lopes in 1946, explaining the broken

legs of the man who tried his wings "One day, a jump will be the last. The jump of death. But that idea does not hold me back." —Rudolf Richard Boehlen, who died of jump-related injuries in 1953 "It turned out that almost everyone from the thirties and forties had died. That just made me want to do it more."

—Garth Taggart, stunt jumper for *The Gypsy Moths*, filmed in 1968 "You have to be the first one. The second one is the first loser." —Felix Baumgartner, who in 2003 became the first birdman to cross the English Channel

Meanjin Crossing UW-Madison Libraries
Parallel Press

This nature novel, by following the hatching and lifetime experiences of the last known wild passenger pigeon, chronicles the life, natural history, and ultimate extinction of this species which was once the most abundant bird species in North America. The last wild bird was killed in 1900; the last captive bird died in 1914.

Our Sun EmmausWay Press

A literary meditation on life and death, being and non-being, and the intense mystery and beauty of existence between a mother and child.

"Heartbreakingly perfect" (*San Francisco Chronicle*), Maso's moving, dreamlike novel follows a mother and child as they roam through wondrous and increasingly dangerous psychic and physical terrain. A great wind comes, an ancient tree splits in half, and a bat, or possibly an angel, enters the house where the mother and child sleep, and in an instant a world of relentless change, of spectacular consequences, of submerged memory, and uncanny intimations is set into motion. What was once hidden is now in plain sight in all its splendor and terror as the mother and child are asked to bear enormous

transformations and a terrible wisdom almost impossible to fathom. As the outside can no longer be separated from the inside, nor dream from reality, the mother and child continue, encountering along the way all kinds of characters and creatures as they move through a surreal world of grace and dread to the end. “The tough-mindedness, originality and wit of her perceptions are intoxicating.”—*Publisher Weekly* “By giving the conflicts in her life a fictional context, she tries to bring order and beauty—and some degree of understanding—to chaos.”—*Library Journal* “Fully coherent, moving and elegiac, a genuine consolation.”—*The New York Times Book Review*

Silent Spring Revisited Crown

From acclaimed historian Lawrence Goldstone comes a thrilling narrative of courage, determination, and competition: the story of the intense rivalry that fueled the rise of American aviation. The feud between this nation’s great air pioneers, the Wright brothers and Glenn Curtiss, was a collision of unyielding and profoundly American personalities. On one side, a pair of tenacious siblings who together had solved the centuries-old riddle of powered, heavier-than-air flight. On the other, an audacious motorcycle racer whose innovative aircraft became synonymous in the public mind with death-defying stunts. For more than a decade, they battled each other in court, at air shows, and in the newspapers. The outcome of this contest of wills would shape the course of aviation history—and take a fearsome toll on the men involved. *Birdmen* sets the engrossing story of the Wrights’ war with Curtiss against the thrilling backdrop of the early years of manned flight, and is rich with period detail and larger-than-

life personalities: Thomas Scott Baldwin, or “Cap’t Tom” as he styled himself, who invented the parachute and almost convinced the world that balloons were the future of aviation; John Moisant, the dapper daredevil who took to the skies after three failed attempts to overthrow the government of El Salvador, then quickly emerged as a celebrity flyer; and Harriet Quimby, the statuesque silent-film beauty who became the first woman to fly across the English Channel. And then there is Lincoln Beachey, perhaps the greatest aviator who ever lived, who dazzled crowds with an array of trademark twists and dives—and best embodied the romance with death that fueled so many of aviation’s earliest heroes. A dramatic story of unimaginable bravery in the air and brutal competition on the ground, *Birdmen* is at once a thrill ride through flight’s wild early years and a surprising look at the personal clash that fueled America’s race to the skies. Praise for *Birdmen* “A meticulously researched account of the first few hectic, tangled years of aviation and the curious characters who pursued it . . . a worthy companion to Richard Holmes’s marvelous history of ballooning, *Falling Upwards*.”—*Time* “The daredevil scientists and engineers who forged the field of aeronautics spring vividly to life in Lawrence Goldstone’s history.”—*Nature* “The history of the development of an integral part of the modern world and a fascinating portrayal of how a group of men and women achieved a dream that had captivated humanity for centuries.”—*The Christian Science Monitor* “Captivating and wonderfully presented . . . a fine book about these rival pioneers.”—*The Wall Street Journal* “[A] vivid story of invention, vendettas, derring-do, media

hype and patent fights [with] modern resonance.”—Financial Times “A powerful story that contrasts soaring hopes with the anchors of ego and courtroom.”—Kirkus Reviews “A riveting narrative about the pioneering era of aeronautics in America and beyond . . . Goldstone raises questions of enduring importance regarding innovation and the indefinite exertion of control over ideas that go public.”—Publishers Weekly (starred review)

Birdmen, Batmen, and Skyflyers

UNM Press

Recreates the last perilous years of the passenger pigeon.

Silas Grey Religious Conspiracy Archaeological Thriller Collection

Routledge

In 2014, the US marks the 50th anniversary of the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, the basis for the Johnson administration’s escalation of American military involvement in Southeast Asia and war against North Vietnam. Vietnam War Slang outlines the context behind the slang used by members of the United States Armed Forces during the Vietnam War. Troops facing and inflicting death display a high degree of linguistic creativity. Vietnam was the last American war fought by an army with conscripts, and their involuntary participation in the war added a dimension to the language. War has always been an incubator for slang; it is brutal, and brutality demands a vocabulary to describe what we don’t encounter in peacetime civilian life. Furthermore, such language serves to create an intense bond between comrades in the armed forces, helping them to support the heavy burdens of war. The troops in Vietnam faced the usual demands of war, as well as several that were unique to Vietnam – a murky

political basis for the war, widespread corruption in the ruling government, untraditional guerilla warfare, an unpredictable civilian population in Vietnam, and a growing lack of popular support for the war back in the US. For all these reasons, the language of those who fought in Vietnam was a vivid reflection of life in wartime. Vietnam War Slang lays out the definitive record of the lexicon of Americans who fought in the Vietnam War. Assuming no prior knowledge, it presents around 2000 headwords, with each entry divided into sections giving parts of speech, definitions, glosses, the countries of origin, dates of earliest known citations, and citations. It will be an essential resource for Vietnam veterans and their families, students and readers of history, and anyone interested in the principles underpinning the development of slang. [Bibliography of Asian Studies](#) Xlibris Corporation

Boris Sergievsky was one of the most colorful of the early aviators. He made his first flight less than ten years after the Wright brothers made theirs; he made his last only four years before the Concorde took off. Born in Russia, Sergievsky learned to fly in 1912. In World War I, he became a much-decorated infantry officer and then a fighter pilot, battling the Austro-Hungarians. During the Russian Civil War that followed, he fought on three fronts against the Bolsheviks. Coming to America in 1923, the first job he could find in New York was with a pick and shovel, digging the Holland Tunnel, but he soon joined Igor Sikorsky’s airplane company. Over the next decade as chief test pilot for the company, he tested the Sikorsky flying boats that Pan American Airways used to establish its world-wide routes, setting seventeen world aviation

records along the way. Sergievsky also flew pioneering flights across unchartered African and Latin American jungles in the 1930s, flew with Charles Lindbergh, tested early helicopters and jets, and flew his own Grumman Mallard on charter flights until 1965. Through it all, his sense of humor remained intact, as did his passion for beautiful women. Broken Wings Harper Perennial Katerina has always stuttered. To speak up in order to save some endangered birds, Katerina must conquer her own problems. And just when she doubts her courage to do so, she gets some unexpected help.

Even the Birds Grow Silent Landfall Press 3 Bestselling Religious Conspiracy Archaeological Thrillers for 40% off Full Price HOLY SHROUD An ancient threat. A sacred relic. A religious belief under siege. Silas Grey is on the verge of proving the Church's central belief: Jesus Christ's resurrection. But an ancient cultic enemy has risen to destroy the Christian faith. Can he preserve the memory of its central belief before its archenemy erases it forever? THE THIRTEENTH APOSTLE What if the story of Jesus isn't the one that happened? Silas Grey chances upon someone from his past who appears with a remarkable offer. Soon it is clear that it is part of a larger conspiracy that grows more urgent. Can he help preserve the eyewitness memory of Jesus' earliest apostles before Jesus' story is altered forever? HIDDEN COVENANT The Lost Ark is more than a Hollywood blockbuster. After news breaks the Ark of the Covenant is about to be unearthed, soon it is clear things are not as they seem—and an explosive conspiracy threatens the essence of the Christian faith. Will Silas Grey be able to stop the threat against the Church and

the Ark before it's too late? Enter the first three explosively inventive adventures of the bestselling. Order of Thaddeus action-adventure, religious conspiracy series by emerging author J. A. Bouma—who combines the familiar elements of Dan Brown's religious conspiracy with James Rollin's special-ops suspense, informed by Steve Berry's historical insights. As one reader says: "If you like the sigma force novels by James Rollins or Steve Berry's Cotton Malone series you might like this series. It provides plenty of rollicking action adventure while also giving insights into the Christian faith."

Bird Silence Dissertation.com

Bird Silence Book Description: The poems in Matthew Roth's Bird Silence crackle with formal and imaginative energy. Roth explores topics as various as the death of a flock of Bohemian Waxwings, the etymology of the word "hearse," and the inner life of a mortician's instruments. In poems that marry the strange and the beautiful, Roth explores our desire for connection and consolation.

Birdmen Routledge

The Routledge Dictionary of Modern American Slang offers the ultimate record of modern, post WW2 American Slang. The 25,000 entries are accompanied by citations that authenticate the words as well as offer examples of usage from popular literature, newspapers, magazines, movies, television shows, musical lyrics, and Internet user groups. Etymology, cultural context, country of origin and the date the word was first used are also provided. In terms of content, the cultural transformations since 1945 are astounding. Television, computers, drugs, music, unpopular wars, youth movements, changing racial sensitivities

and attitudes towards sex and sexuality are all substantial factors that have shaped culture and language. This new edition includes over 500 new headwords collected with citations from the last five years, a period of immense change in the English language, as well as revised existing entries with new dating and citations. No term is excluded on the grounds that it might be considered offensive as a racial, ethnic, religious, sexual or any kind of slur. This dictionary contains many entries and citations that will, and should, offend. Rich, scholarly and informative, *The Routledge Dictionary of Modern American Slang and Unconventional English* is an indispensable resource for language researchers, lexicographers and translators.

The Ghost Bird Routledge

What if all you've ever known about the Bible was a lie? Silas Grey is barely four months into his new role as Master of the Order of Thaddeus, ancient defender of the Christian faith, when he gets an urgent message in the early morning hours that sends him into action. For what exactly, he's not entirely sure. But things turn sour when a mysterious enemy of the Church shows up at the scene. The stakes are raised even more when a bombshell claim drops on national TV that could change the course of Christianity forever. Activating SEPIO, the muscular arm of the Order, to unravel a conspiracy that threatens to destroy the Church's most important object of faith: the Holy Scriptures—leaving a trail littered with questions in its wake. Can we trust the Bible we have is the one God gave us? Were other voices suppressed by the Church with the help of those in power to shape belief and push a dogmatic agenda? And will SEPIO save the Bible

before it's too late? Find out in the gripping page-turner rivaling the best in the religious conspiracy genre—an explosive story that plumbs the depths of Christian history while delivering a timely tale that reminds us why the Bible is worth fighting for. In the tradition of Clive Cussler, James Rollins, and Steve Berry, J. A. Bouma weaves together a pulse-pounding suspense thriller that combines historical insight, mysterious intrigue, and action adventure—along with his trademark balance of fact and faith—leaving you all at once entertained and inspired. Devour the 8th book today in the bestselling series people say “is a must read [that] will not only excite and thrill you but give you something to think about and inspire you!”

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Mother and Child A&C Black

It may be the most interesting and yet loneliest spot on earth: a volcanic rock surrounded by a million square miles of ocean, named for the day Dutch explorers discovered it, Easter Sunday, April 5, 1722. Here people created a complex society, sophisticated astronomy, exquisite wood sculpture, monumental stone architecture, roads, and a puzzling ideographic script. And then they went about sculpting amazing, giant human figures in stone. This richly illustrated book of the history, culture, and art of Easter Island is the first to examine in detail the island's vernacular architecture, often overshadowed by its

giant stone statues. It shows the conjecturally reconstructed prehistoric pole houses; the ahu, the sculptures' platform, as a spectacular expression of prehistoric megalithic architecture; and the Easter Island Statue Project's

inventory of the colossal moai sculptures. This publication is made possible in part by a generous contribution from Furthermore: a program of the J. M. Kaplan Fund.

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