

FLYING BOATS & SPIES

A NICK GRANT ADVENTURE
By Jamie Dodson

1935! The winds of war have begun to fan the flames of conflict across the Pacific. As Nick Grant tries to support his mother and sister during the Great Depression, he's swept into a deadly contest between spies struggling to control the Pacific Ocean.

Nick's life changes abruptly the moment world famous aviators, Charles and Anne Lindbergh, land at Alameda airport. After Nick refuels their plane, Anne takes him aside and offers him a month's wages to deliver a mysterious map case to Bill Grooch, aboard the tramp steamer *S.S. North Haven*.

Desperate for money, Nick agrees. Suddenly the map case and Grooch catapult him into a quiet, but deadly, cat and mouse game between U.S. and Japanese spies. Nick becomes a vital player as the U.S. and Japan vie for advantage and control of the strategic islands of the Pacific.

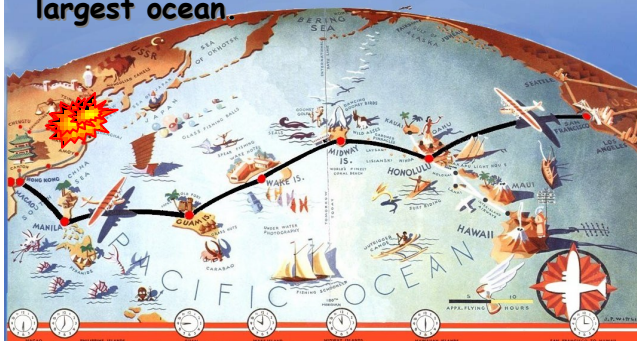
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CHINA CLIPPER

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Sixteen-year-old Nick Grant joins the crew of the *S.S. North Haven* to build the Skyway to Asia for Pan American Airways — island stepping stones across the Pacific for the great flying boats. However, it poses a threat to Imperial Japan's desire to control the Pacific.

Nick battles raging seas, tropical storms and Japanese spies as he journeys to manhood across the world's largest ocean.




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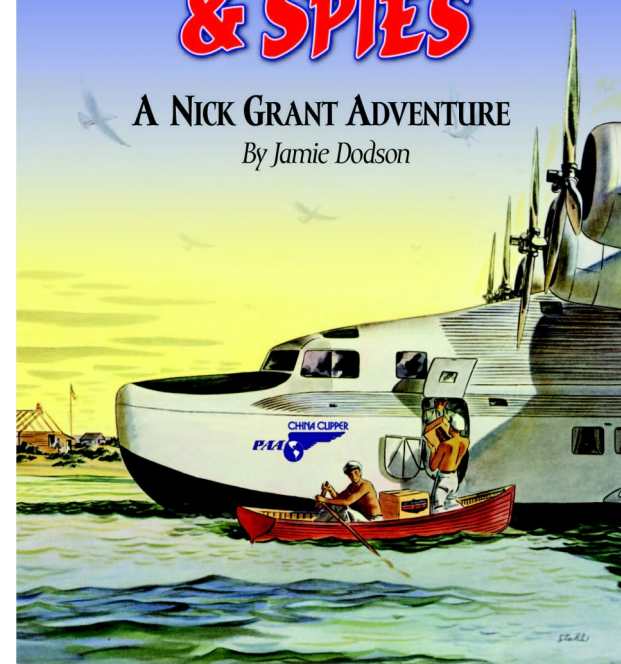
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Why Flying Boats?

The flying boats were designed because originally there were very few long runways that could handle a large airliner. The flying boat overcame this handicap neatly with ready-made water runways available all over the world.



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Why a Supply Ship?

Pan American Airways (Pan Am) leased the S.S. *North Haven* to establish flying boat bases on remote Pacific atolls. The great flying boats did not have sufficient range to reach the distant Pacific destinations and needed places to refuel and refit.

The Espionage War

The Japanese Military coveted the chipper technology, especially the new radio direction finders. In addition, the US provided most of China's war materials to resist Japan's invasion and aggression. The Clippers were clear threat to Japan as they cut vital weeks off the US supply lines. Imperial Japan decided to stop the US effort, Pan American and the Clippers. The assigned The Black Dragons, a secret intelligence and *ninja* society to destroy the effort, but it had to look like a series of 'accidents'.

