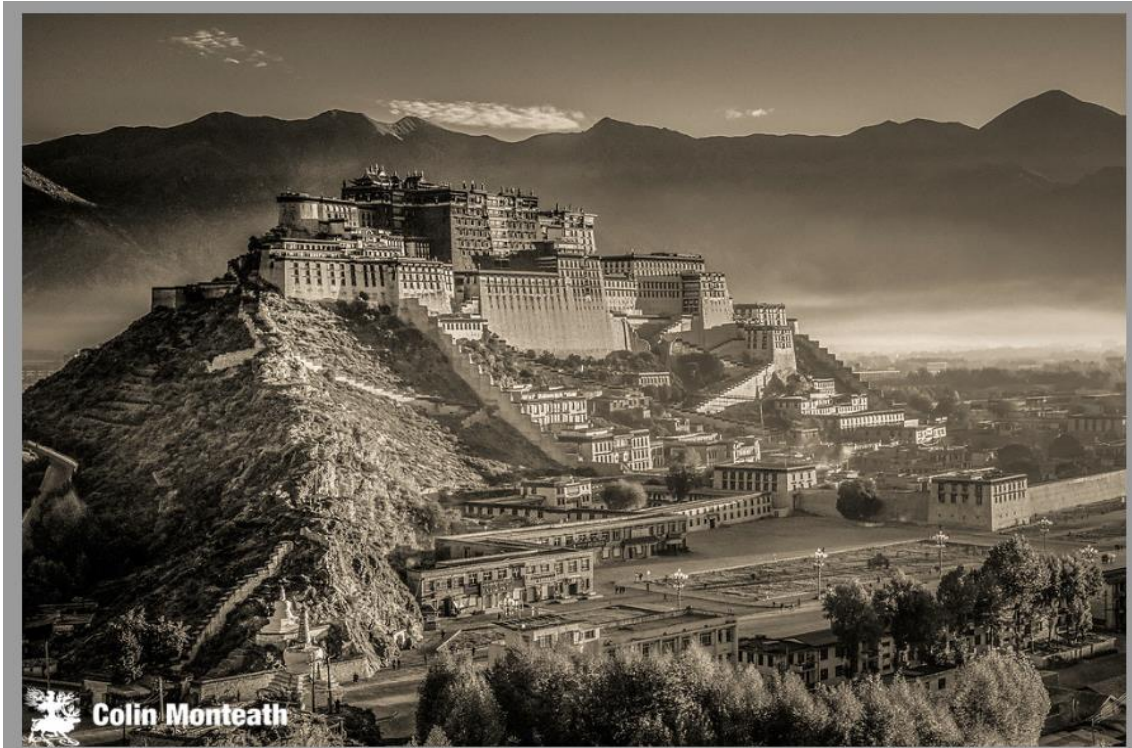


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Simultaneously, a delegation of monks is despatched to Dzongri, where they sit in meditation. One of the lamas told us they were guided by a wild yak. Synchronised to the seasons these auspicious rites are perfumed with the fragrant smoke of burning juniper and rhododendrons. In all their colourful fertility, the meadows reveal a landscape of eternal organic bliss. The austerities and penance of the monks aspire to visions of this celestial realm and as the lamas sit in meditation, their consciousness opens like the petals of rhododendrons blooming in the mist.

Atop the ridge above Dzongri stand four stone chortens, three of which memorialise the ancient lamas of Yuksum, while the fourth commemorates the first Chogyal of Sikkim. Silhouetted against the mist they look more like a line of boulders than man-made shrines. Higher up, when the clouds separate, the forbidding cliffs of a nearby mountain called Black Kabru rise above the meadows and guard the white-capped ranges beyond, including Kangchenjunga. Here is a landscape full of symbols that pollinate a spiritual imagination. Like an invisible network of fungal fibres,

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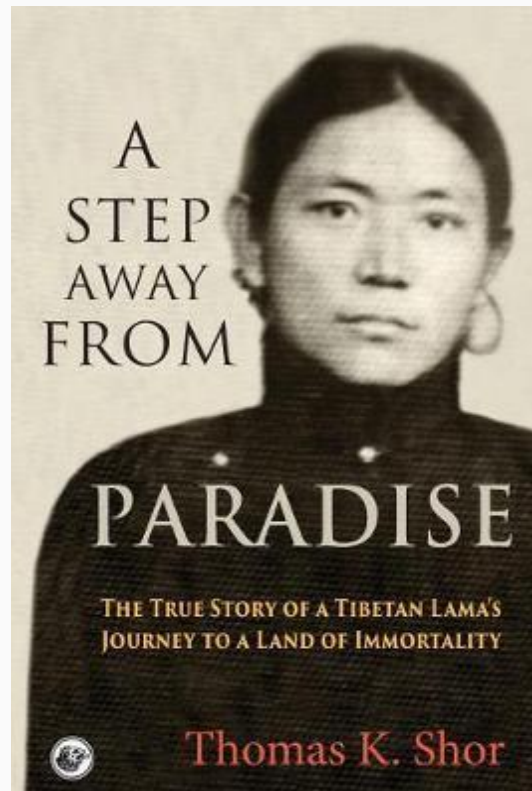
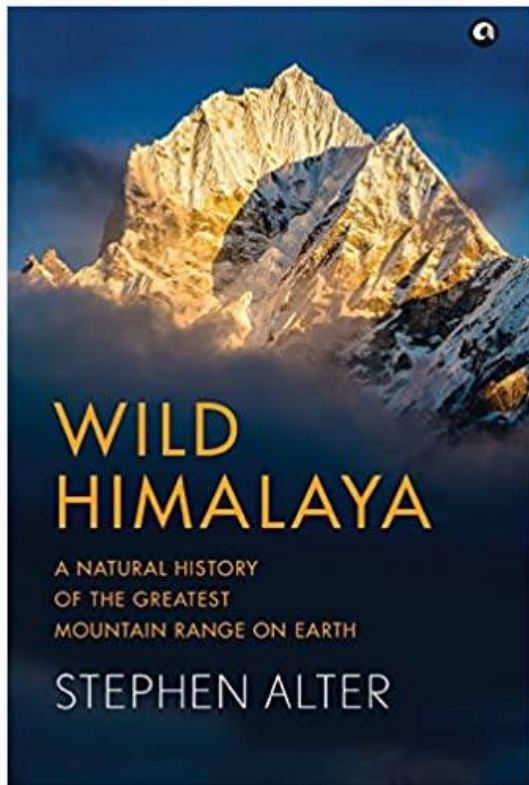
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HIGHLY RECOMMENDED - Wild Himalaya, published in India, remains hard to track down. A Step away from Paradise readily available, though as yet, not from Barking Mad Books



Wild Himalaya Stephen Alter The Himalaya span a distance of roughly 2,500 kilometres in length and between 350 and 150 km in breadth, rising to a maximum height of almost 9 kilometres above sea level. In *Wild Himalaya*, award-winning author Stephen Alter brings alive the greatest mountain range on earth in all its terrifying beauty, grandeur and complexity. Travelling to all the five countries that the Himalayan range traverses—India, Pakistan, Bhutan, Nepal and China— Alter braids together on-the-ground reports with a deep understanding and study of the history, science, geology, environment, flora, fauna, myth, folklore, spirituality, climate and human settlements of the region to provide a nuanced and rich portrait of these legendary mountains. Adding colour to the narrative are riveting tales unearthed by the author of some of the range's most storied peaks—Everest or Chomolungma, Kanchenjunga, Annapurna, Dhaulagiri, Nanga Parbat and others.

The book is divided into eight sections which delve deep into particular aspects of the Himalaya. 'Orogenesis' explores the origin, evolution, geology, geography and other such core aspects of these mountains; 'The Third Pole' concerns itself with weather, glaciers, wetlands and rivers; 'Flora Himalensis'

details extraordinary Himalayan plants and trees; 'Winged Migrants' goes deep into the world of Himalayan birds and insects; in 'Mountain Mammals' we cross high passes and go above the treeline in search of brown bears, blue sheep and snow leopards; 'Ancestral Journeys' takes a close look at human settlement in the Himalaya and stories of origin and migration, both ancient and contemporary; 'At the Edge of Beyond' recounts epic adventures and great mountaineering feats; and, finally, 'In a Thousand Ages of the Gods' the author examines the essence of Himalayan art, folklore and mythology as well as enigmatic mysteries such as the existence of the Yeti, along with key questions of conservation.

Although there have been hundreds of books, and some masterpieces, about one or the other aspect of the Himalaya, not one of them has come close to capturing the incredible complexity and majesty of these mountains. Until now. In *Wild Himalaya*, Stephen Alter, who considers himself an endemic species (having spent most of his life in these mountains), gives us the definitive natural history of the greatest mountain range on earth.

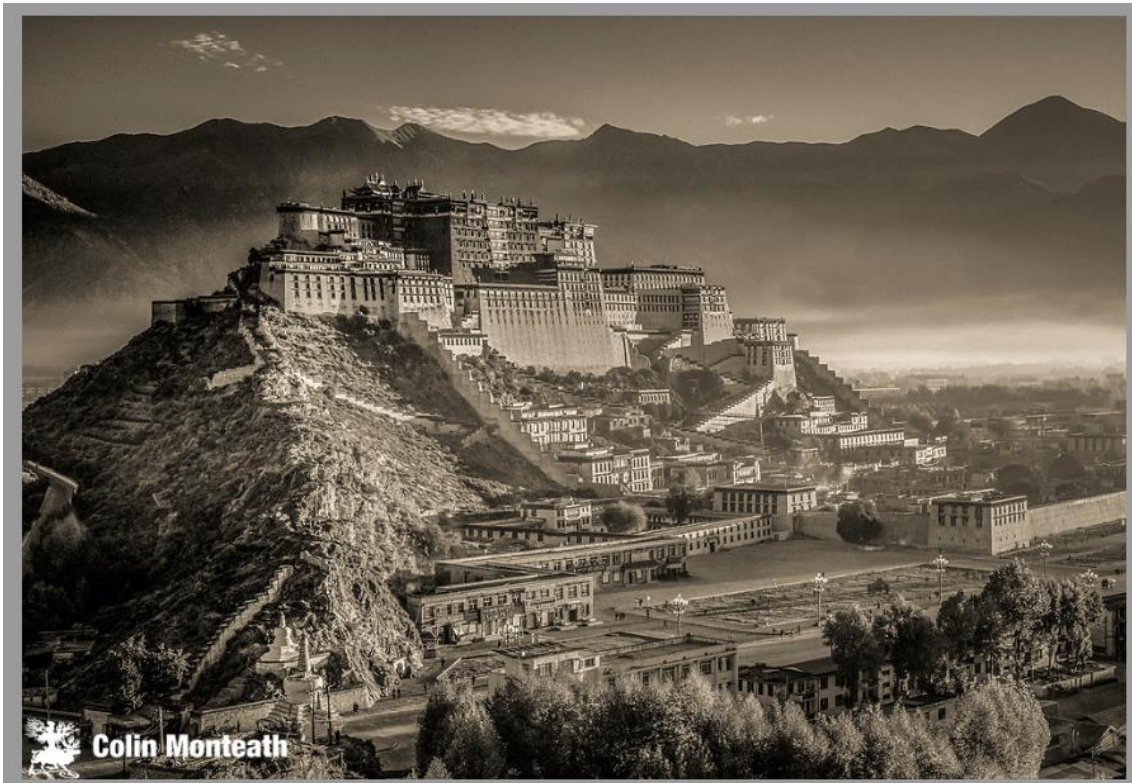
A STEP AWAY FROM PARADISE - The true story of a Tibetan lama's journey to a land of immortality. Thomas Shor.

It was the early 1960s. The place, a far-off corner of the Himalayas long fabled in Tibetan tradition to be hiding a valley of immortality among its peaks and glaciers-a real-life Shangri-La. They waited generations for the prophesied lama to come, the one with the secret knowledge of how to 'open' the Hidden Land under Kangchenjunga. . Then, one day, he came. His name was Tulshuk Lingpa.

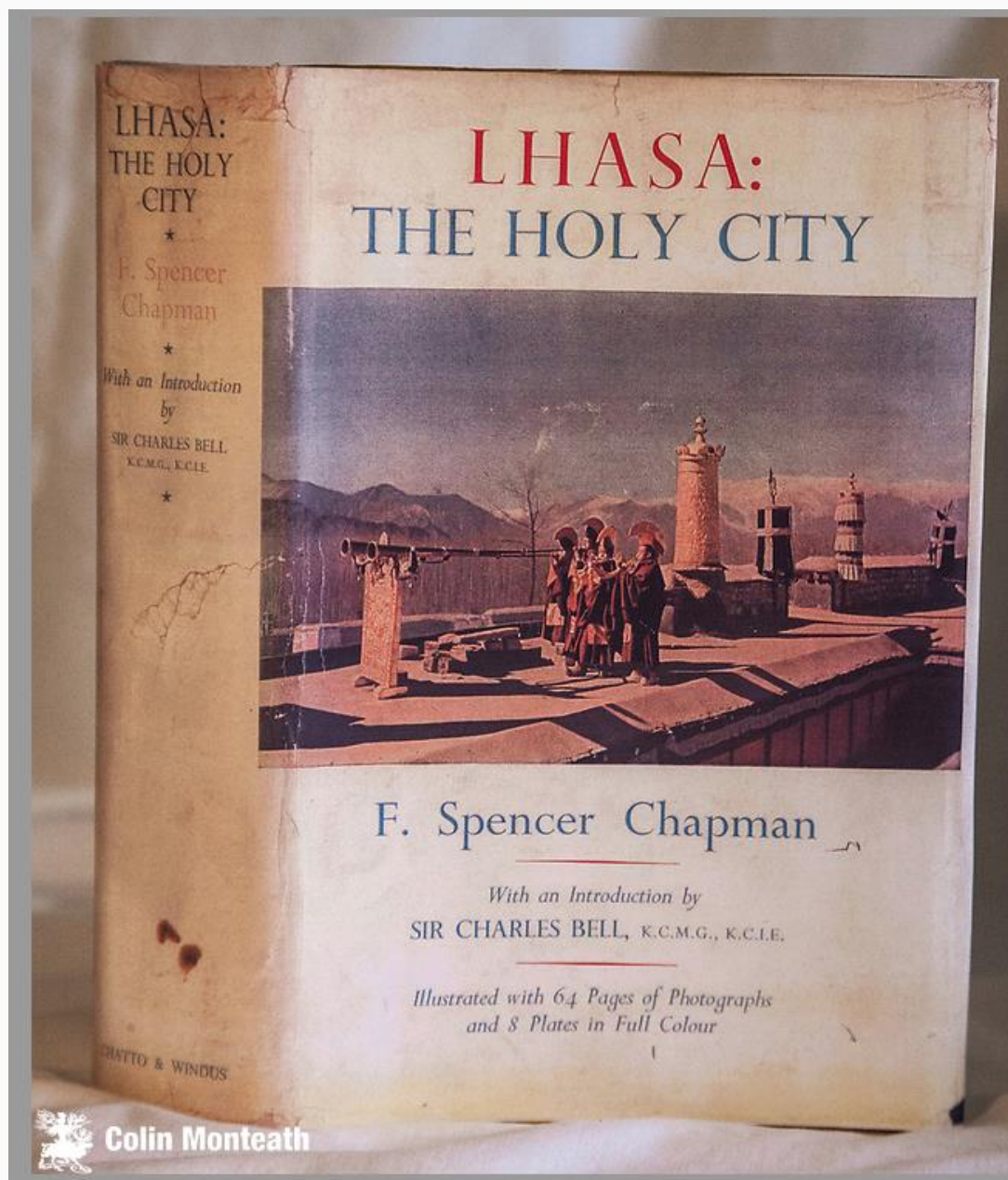
This book tells the story of this charismatic visionary lama and his remarkable expedition. Against the wishes of the kings of both Sikkim and Nepal, he and over three hundred followers ventured up the snowy slopes of the third highest mountain of the planet. Their aim: to open a crack in the very fabric of reality and go to a land we would all wish to inhabit if it were only there-a land of peace and concord.

Forty years later, the author spends over five years tracking down the surviving members of this extraordinary expedition. He deftly weaves their stories together with humor, wisdom, and scholarly research into Tibetan traditions of Hidden

Lands, all the while reflecting on what this means for the rest of us.



**Potala Palace, exiled Dalai Lama's winter palace from Chagpo
Ri, autumn, World Heritage Site, Lhasa,
Tibet www.colinmonteath.nz**



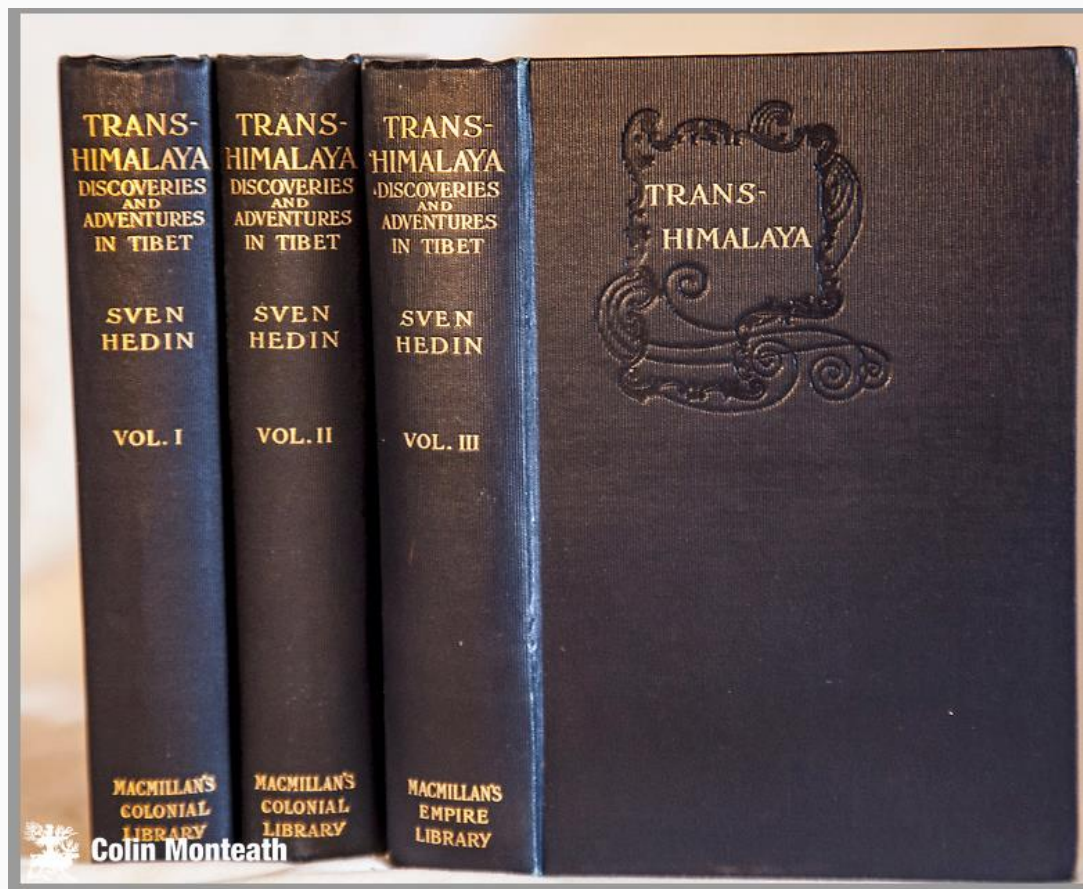
LHASA THE HOLY CITY - F Spencer Chapman - Chatto & Windus, London, 1st UK Edn: 1938, Introduction by Sir Charles Bell, original yellow cloth mottled, facsimile of original dustjacket, fold-out map, numerous B&W & colour

plates, Some internal foxing but overall a good solid copy of
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joined Charles Bell's delegation to Lhasa overland from
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**Young monk, Karsha gumpa, Zanskar & monk sits outside
Tashilunpo monastery, Shigatse, Tibet. [www.
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TRANS-HIMALAYA - discoveries and adventures in Tibet -
Sven Hedin, Macmillan's Empire library, 3 volumes, VG+ in
 original dark blue cloth with bright gilt titles, First two
 volumes 1909, third most scarce volume, often missing, 1913,
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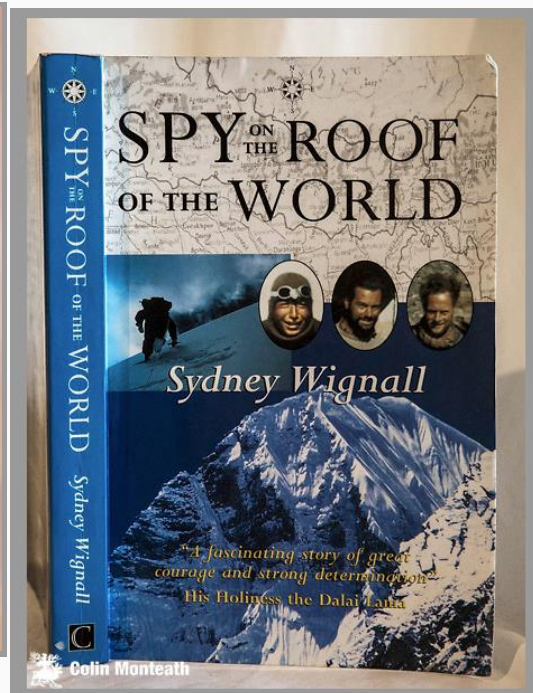
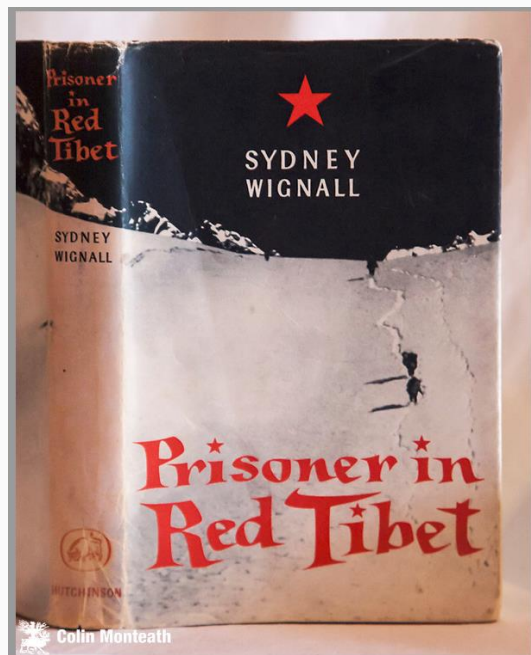


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Mani stone wall and chorten, en route Mt Kailas, Tibet.

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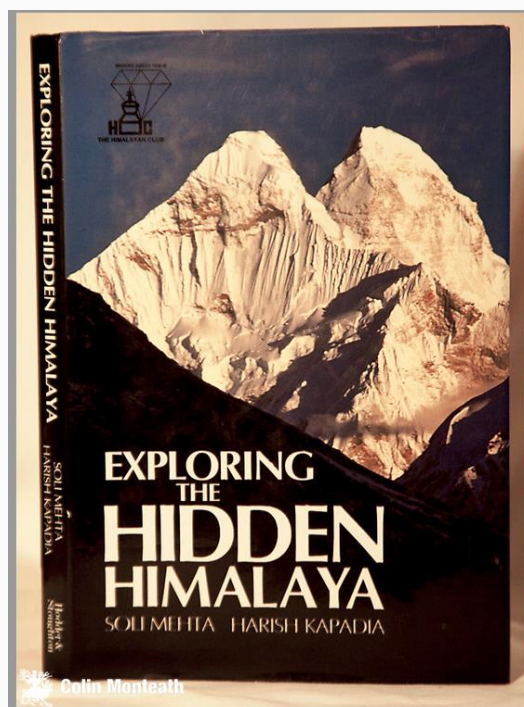
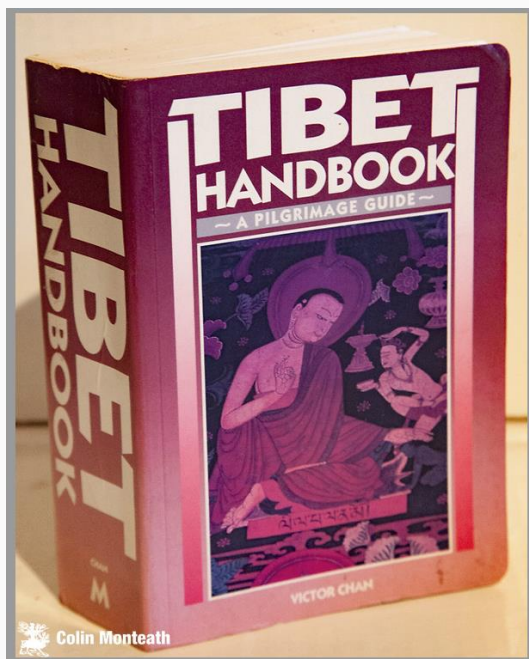
PRISONER IN RED TIBET - Sydney Wignall, Hutchinson,
London, 1957, 1st edn., VG+ VG jacket, 260 page hardback,
B&W plates, map as endpaper...a strange story of a Welsh
Himalayan expedition in 1955 that climbed on the west
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Husband and wife ride to market in Tingri, Cho Oyu behind,
Tibet. www.colinmonteath.nz



FROM MANCHURIA TO TIBET - A quarter century of exploration - Wong How Man, Odyssey Publications, Hong Kong, 1998, Large format square hardcover, VG+. First Edition, original dustjacket.spine slightly faded, A superb photo essay on the heartland of inner Asia starting in NE China's Manchuria, then journeying westward through inner Mongolia and south through Sinkiang, the Silk Road and the vast Tibetan Plateau. **\$NZ75**



TIBET HANDBOOK - A PILGRIMAGE GUIDE - Victor Chan,
 Moon publications, USA 1st Edn., 1994, trade paperback 1100
 pages, color topographical maps. also b&w maps, plans &

illustrations. "60 major pilgrimage and trekking itineraries. over 200 meticulously detailed maps and plans. complete introductory course in spoken Tibetan with detailed phrasebook and grammar guide. " history of tibet. geography. travel. tibetan buddhism and its sects. history of tibetan art. tibetan concepts of pilgrimage. yarlung dynasty. jokhang. potala. princess wencheng. dragla lugug. rigsum gonpo. pabonka. tsamkhung. tower of the turtle rock. chakpori. gelugpa monasteries. ganden. drepung. sera. nechung. tratsangs. lukhang. gesar lhakhang. tshalpa kagyupa monasteries. samye mandala. drakyul. jinka. ritro. drak yerpa. tendrom. rechung phuk. nyangto kyi phuk. levitation. necropolises of the 7th & 8th centuries. sekhung tombs. stone coffins of dhelekling. neolithic relics. kachu. yemar. dranang. shalu. gyantse castle. phalkor chode. tholing. tsaparang, lost city of the guge kingdom. jonang, gyang bumoché and jampaling kumbums. historic valleys east of the kyi chu~tsangpo junctions. valley of the 13 buddha lamas. tsong khapa's hermitage. sacred lakes. tolung valley. lodrak. tsangpo gorges. mount namche barwa. holy places of the prebuddhist bon. bonri. yungdrungling. menri. lake dranga. mt targo. sikkim. shigatse. tashilunpo. sakya principality. sakya monastery. mt everest. kangshung. holy mountains of

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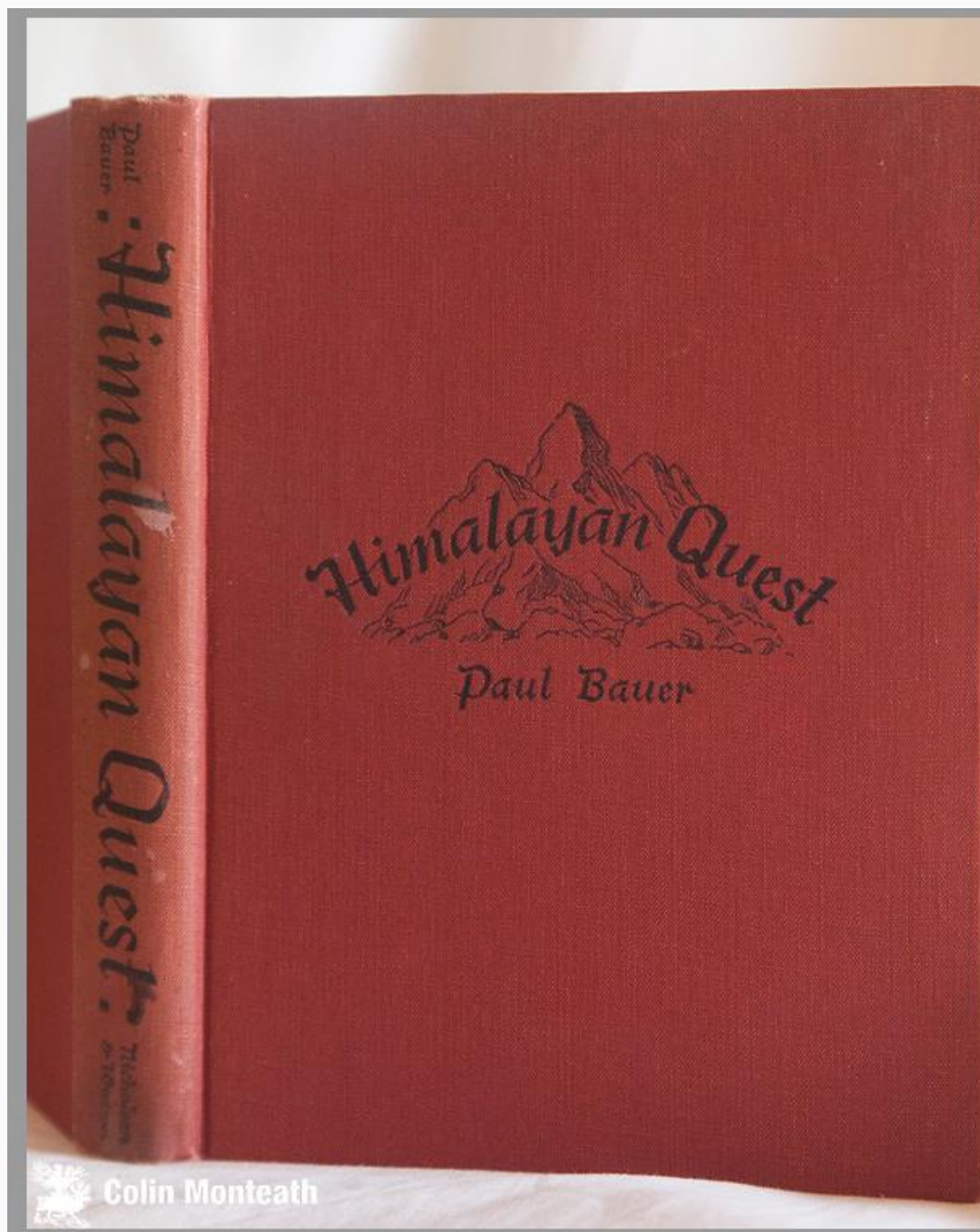
**EXPLORING THE HIDDEN HIMALAYA - Soli Mehta & Harish
Kapadia**, Himalayan Club Diamond Jubilee 1928-1988, Hodder
& Stoughton, London, 1990, 1st edn., VG+ hardback with VG
dustjacket, well illustrated & great maps...a climber's
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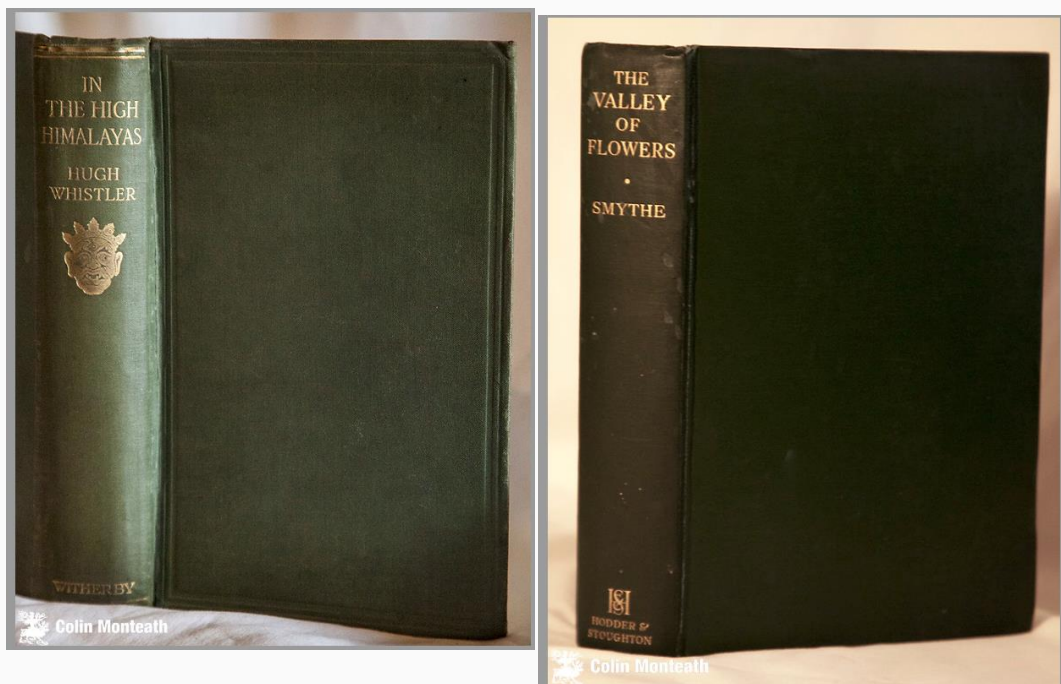


Unnamed peak, Hunza, Pakistan. www.colinmonteath.nz



HIMALAYAN QUEST, Paul Bauer, Nicholson & Watson,
London, 1938, Translated from German, 1st UK edn., 150
page original red cloth hardback, black titles and front board

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IN THE HIGH HIMALAYAS, Hugh Whistler, H.F. G. Witherby, London, 1924. 1st edn., 218 page hardback in original olive green cloth, gilt titles and design, fep piece cut out., no signatures or inscriptions, B&W photos by the author, sketch map - Kulu, Lahul and Spiti regions of Indian Himalaya, the latter considered by the author to be a part of Tibet and serving as a buffer area. Wonderful mountain travel, hunting, and observations of the people. **\$NZ350 (Bill King Collection)**

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THE VALLEY OF FLOWERS, Frank Smythe, Hodder & Stoughton, London, true 1st edn., 1938, original green cloth, gilt titles, colour plates protected by glassine pages, fold out map, Smythes fascinating account of climbing, exploration and plant hunting in the Garhwal Himalaya and the Bhyundar Valley. \$NZ125 Reduced to \$90 this Dogalog only



John Noel, mountain photographer and movie-maker, filming from Chang la, 7300 metres, Chomolungma, Tibet

John Baptist Lucius Noel (26 February 1890 – 12 March 1989) was an English mountaineer and filmmaker best known for his film of the 1924 Mount Everest expedition. Born in Newton Abbot, Devon, England, Noel was educated in Switzerland, where he fell in love with the mountains, and at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst. He was baptised Baptist Lucius and added the name John by deed poll in 1908. He was commissioned into the East Yorkshire Regiment in 1909 and posted to India.

Noel's regiment spent summers near the Himalayas and in 1913 he travelled in disguise into Tibet in order to approach Mount Everest. After serving in Europe during the First World War, in 1919 he lectured about his travels near Everest to the Royal Geographical Society. Sir Francis Younghusband used the occasion to call for the ascent of Mount Everest in 1921. Noel eventually became a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society (FRGS). He joined the 1922 Everest expedition as its official photographer and filmmaker and produced a short film, *Climbing Mount Everest (1922)*.

In 1924, Noel formed a private company which paid for the photographic rights of that year's Everest expedition. Noel reached the North Col and used a specially adapted camera

to film the ascent of the peak. A note from George Mallory to Noel was the last contact with the lost explorer before his body was discovered in 1999. The disappearance of George Mallory and Andrew Irvine added drama to the film, *The Epic of Everest* (1924), but it was not a commercial success.

Noel brought to London a group of Tibetan monks which performed before screenings of the film; the performances of the "dancing lamas" offended Tibetan religious sensibilities and caused a breakdown in diplomatic relations between Britain and Tibet which became known as the "Affair of the Dancing Lamas" and which lasted nearly ten years. Noel lectured widely in North America and published a book about his adventures, *Through Tibet to Everest* (1927).

After the first ascent of Everest in 1953, Noel lectured once again about the mountain and his footage and photographs appeared widely in many films and television programmes.

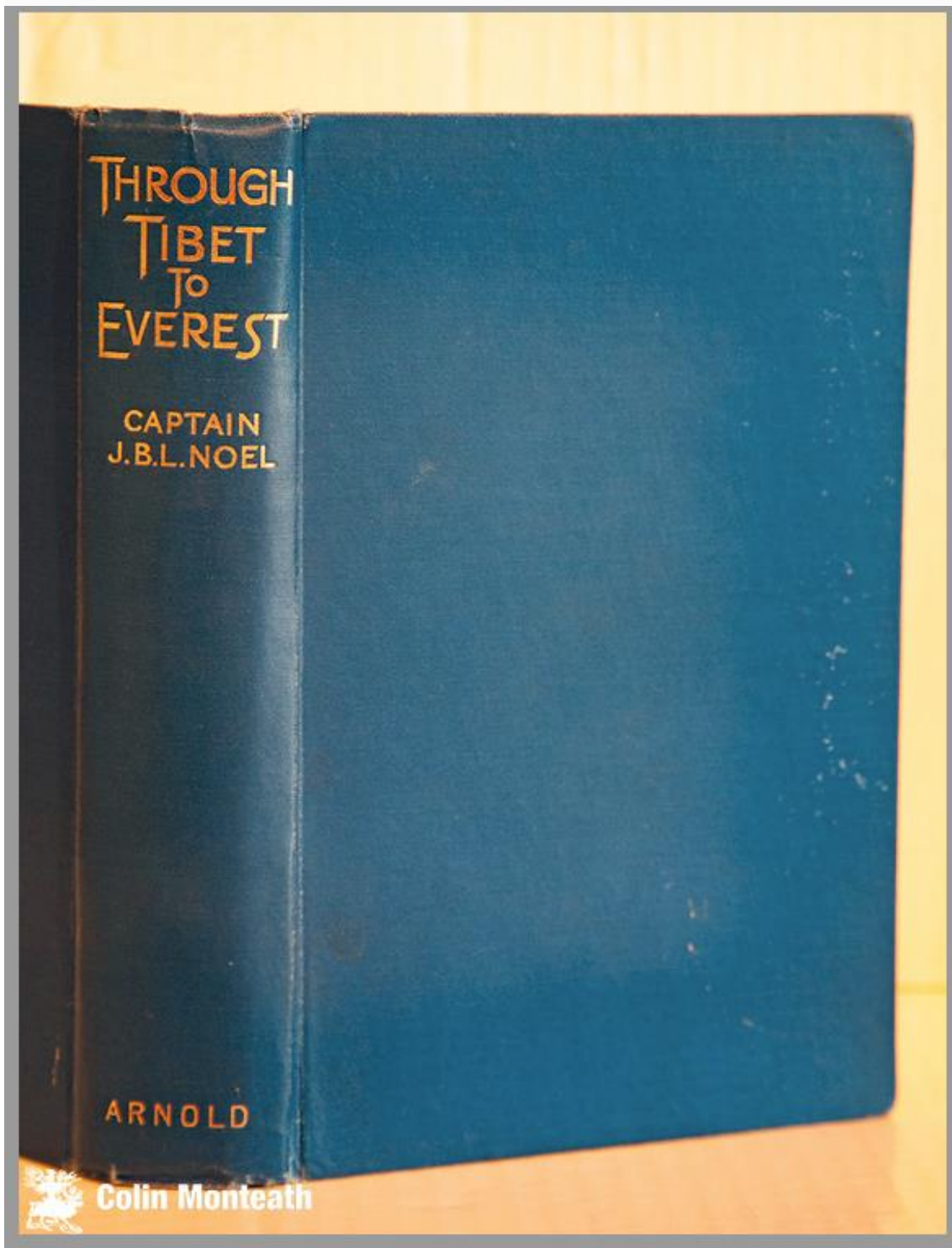
He was also the author of two early books on handgun marksmanship.

In his later years, Noel restored old houses. He had one daughter, Sandra. He died on 12 March 1989 (aged 99).



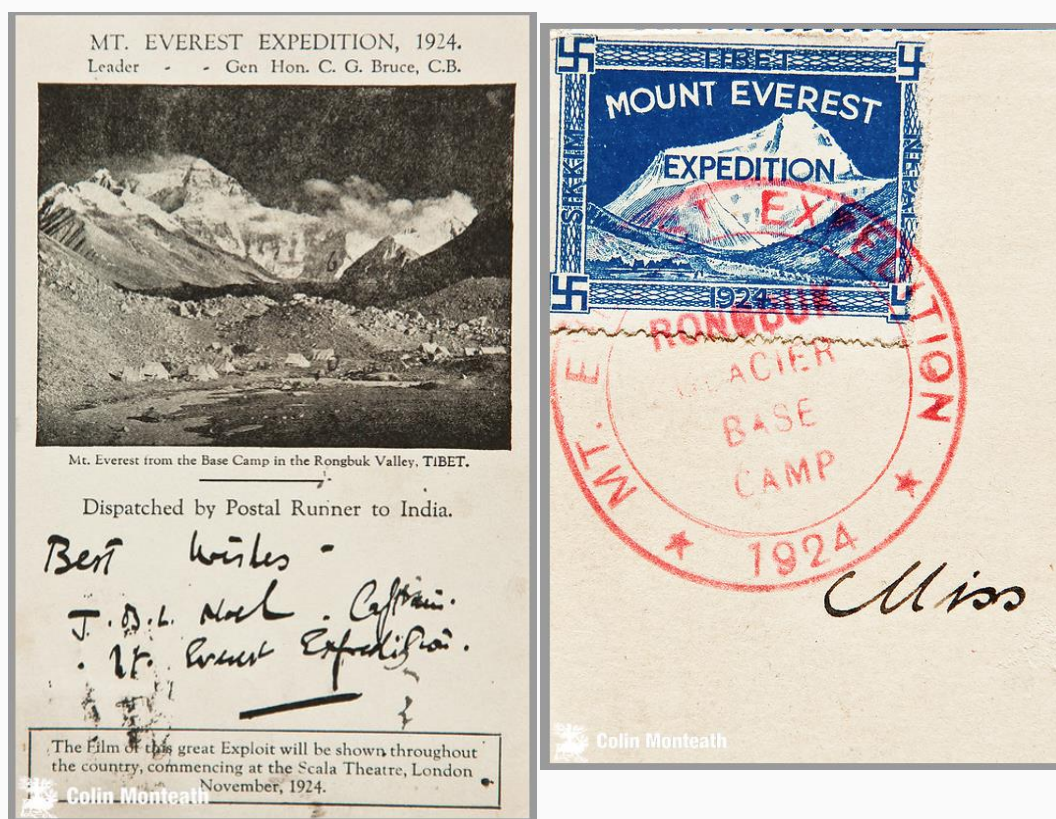
Film clip in East Rongbuk by John Noel

Film Clip 1924 Everest Expedition (Lovely shots of Balu the bear - Charles Bruce)



THROUGH TIBET TO EVEREST - Captain John Noel, Edward Arnold, London, 1st UK Edn, 2nd imp December 1927 (same

format and binding as true 1st Edn), VG+, no dustjacket, original blue cloth with gilt titles, bright & fine, Noel, a major player (and official photographer) in the early British expeditions to Chomolungma's North ridge summarises the 1921, 22 and 24 expeditions. **Scarce in this condition. \$NZ250**

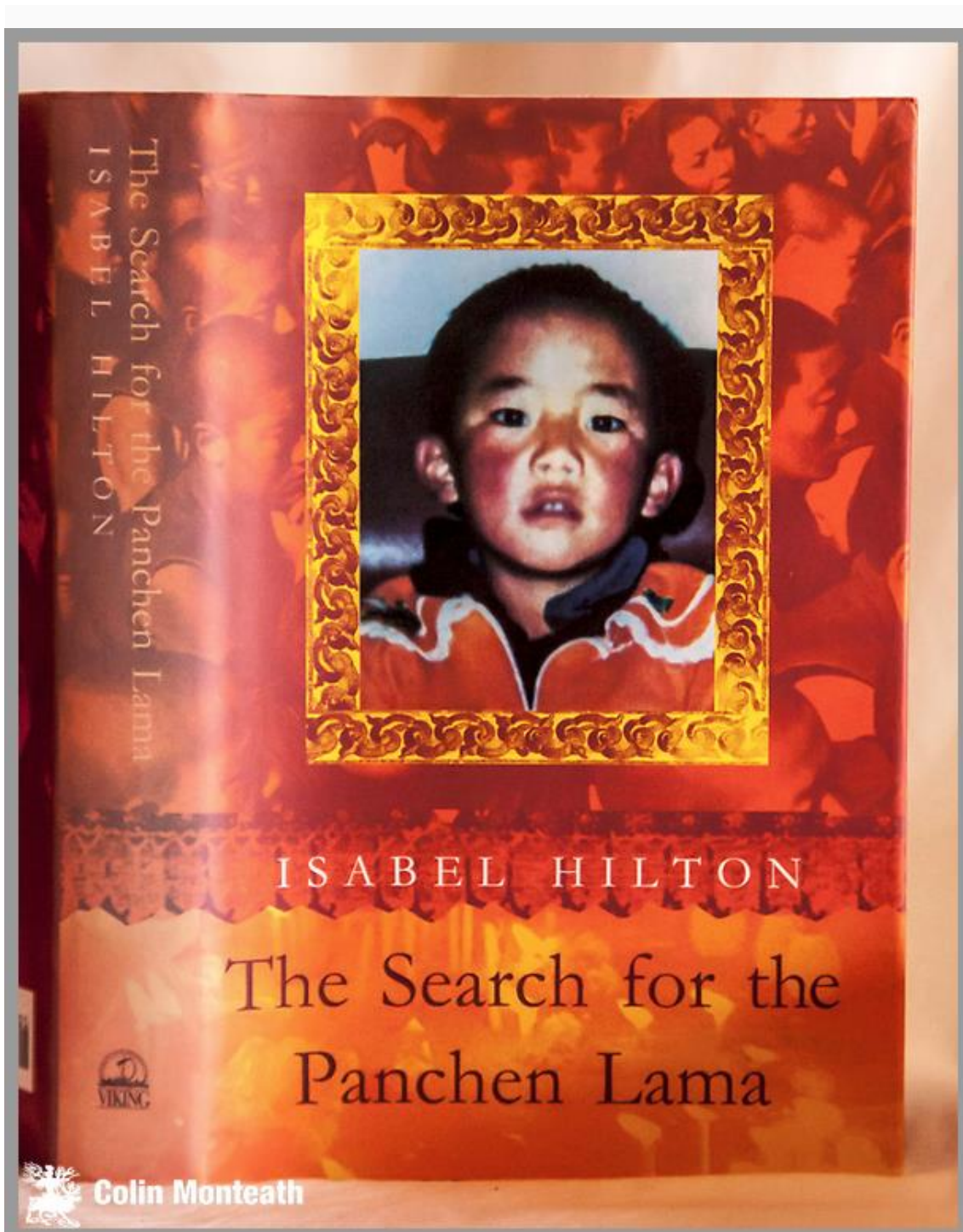


British Everest Expedition 1924 postcard, produced by expedition film-maker J.B.L Noel, hand carried to Darjeeling for posting, Tibet & British Everest Expedition 1924 stamp postcard, produced by expedition film-maker J.B.L Noel, hand carried to Darjeeling for posting, Rongbuk , Tibet. www.colinmonteath.nz



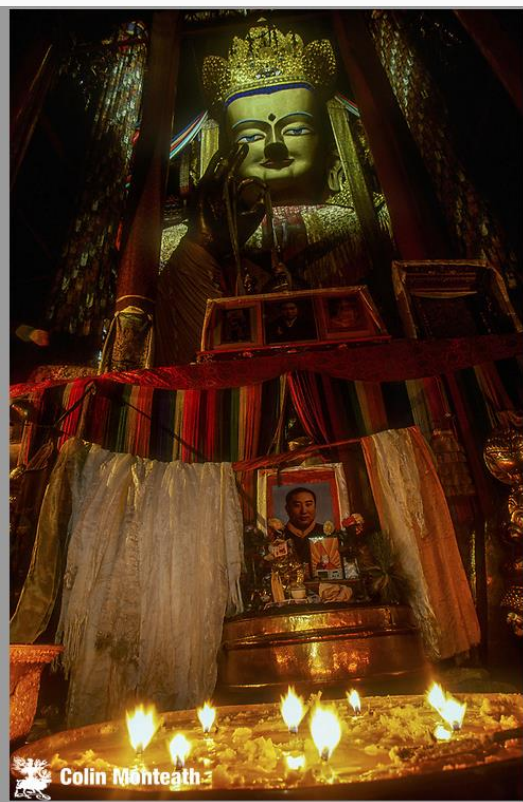
Summit pyramid - North face, highlighting yellow band of limestone and upper section of Hornbein couloir on right, Chomolungma from Central Rongbuk glacier.

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THE SEARCH FOR THE PANCHEN LAMA, Isabel Hilton,
Viking, London, 1999 1st edn., 335 page VG hardback, good
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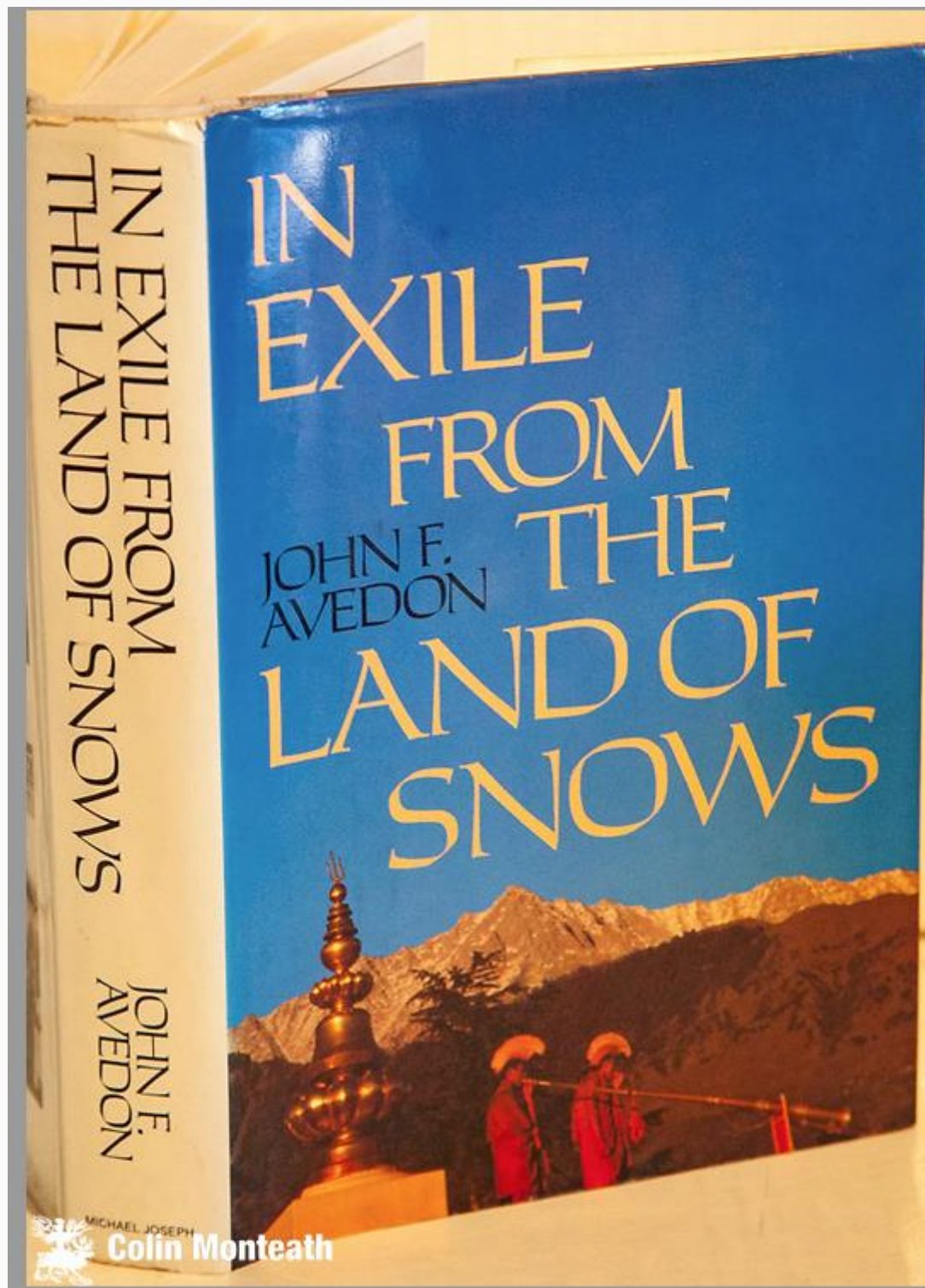
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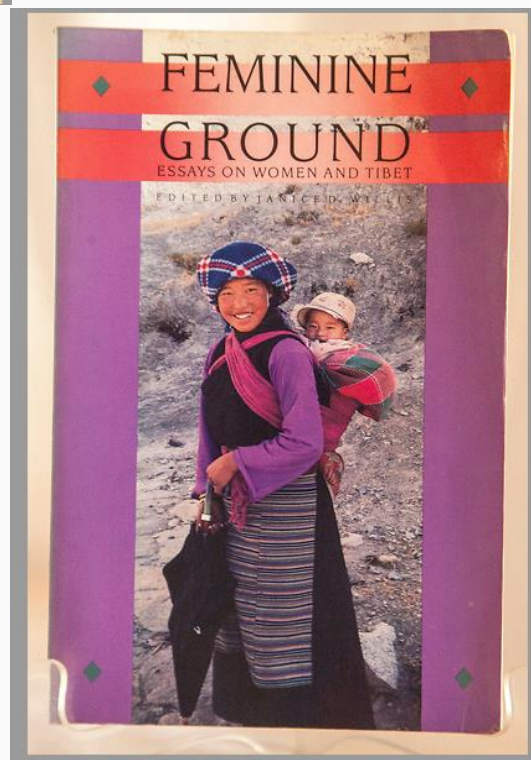
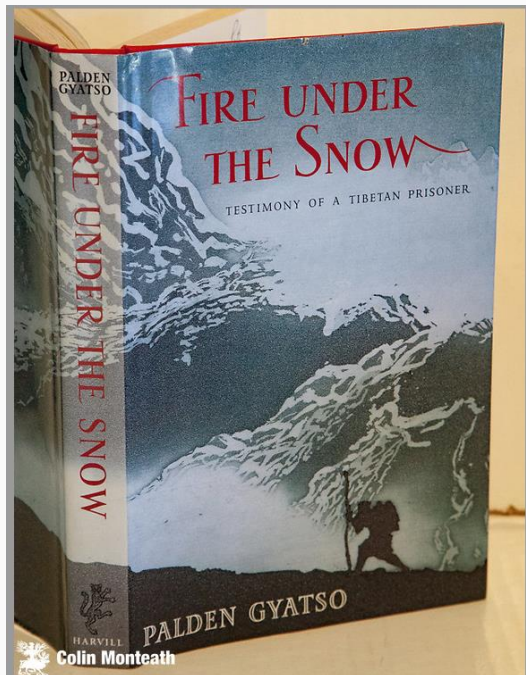


Himalayan blue poppy, Meconopsis spp, Kharta valley, Tibet & Jampa (or Quamba), Maitreya, or future Buddha, Jamkhang Chenmo, seat of the Panchen Lama, Tashilhunpo, Xigatse, Tibet. www.colinmonteath.nz



A fine view...three lady travellers on journey to the Himalaya,
hand tinted postcard from early 1900s. www.colinmonteath.nz
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Michael Joseph, London 1984, 1st edn: VG+ with VG

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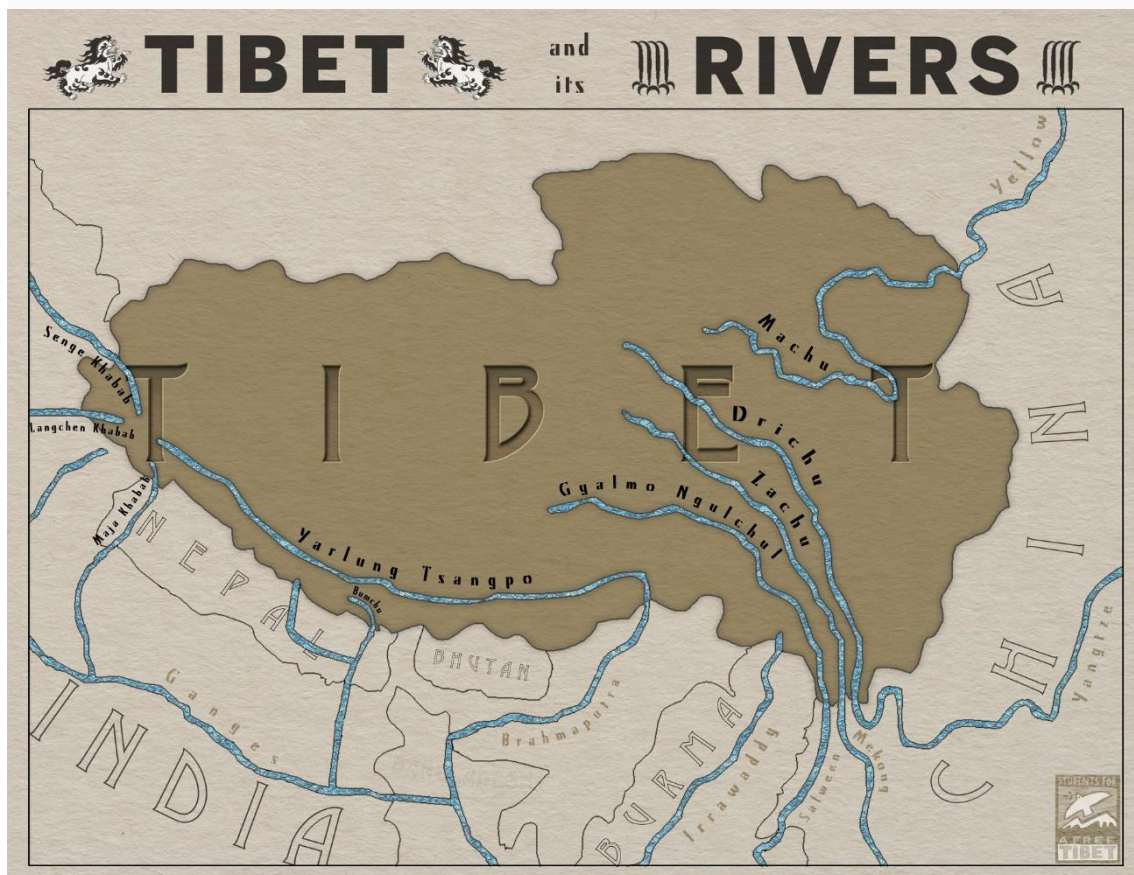
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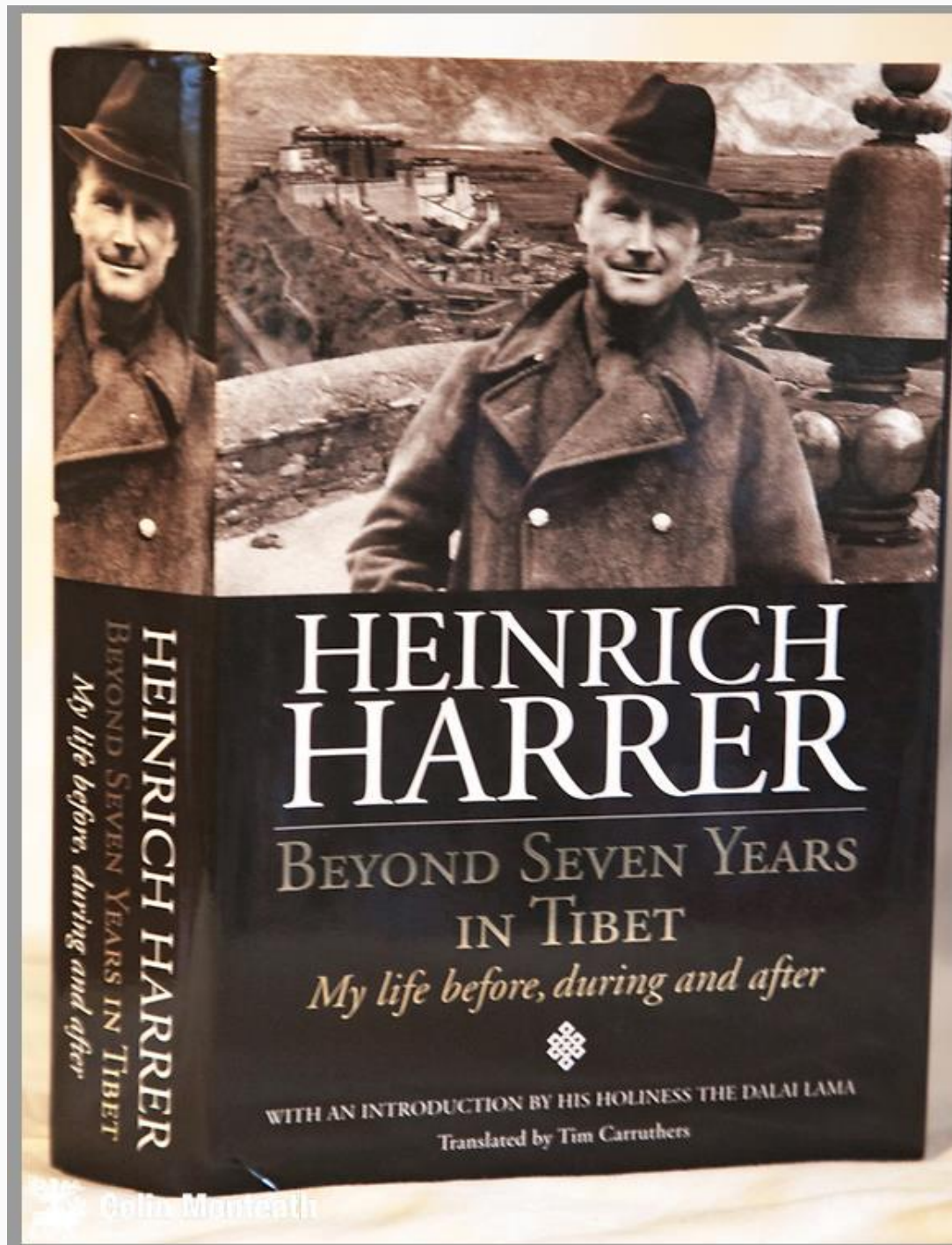
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MELTDOWN IN TIBET - Michael Buckley, - China's reckless destruction of ecosystems from the highlands of Tibet to the deltas of Asia., Palgrave, Macmillan, USA, 2014, 250 page hardback, VG jacket, ex-lib but only one stamp, preface by The Dalai Lama, This book is a game-changer in one's understanding of how important Tibetan rivers are to much of Asian populations and ecosystems. China's damming of many of these rivers (for its own fresh water and electricity) is having an enormous downstream impact...a brilliant piece of research - **\$NZ55.**

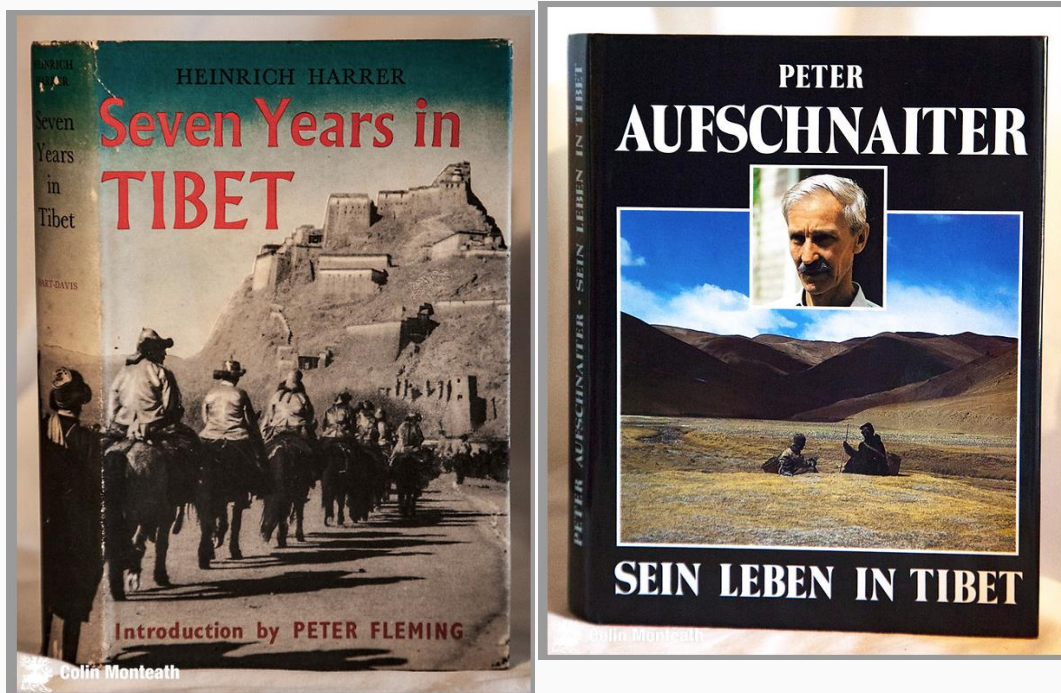


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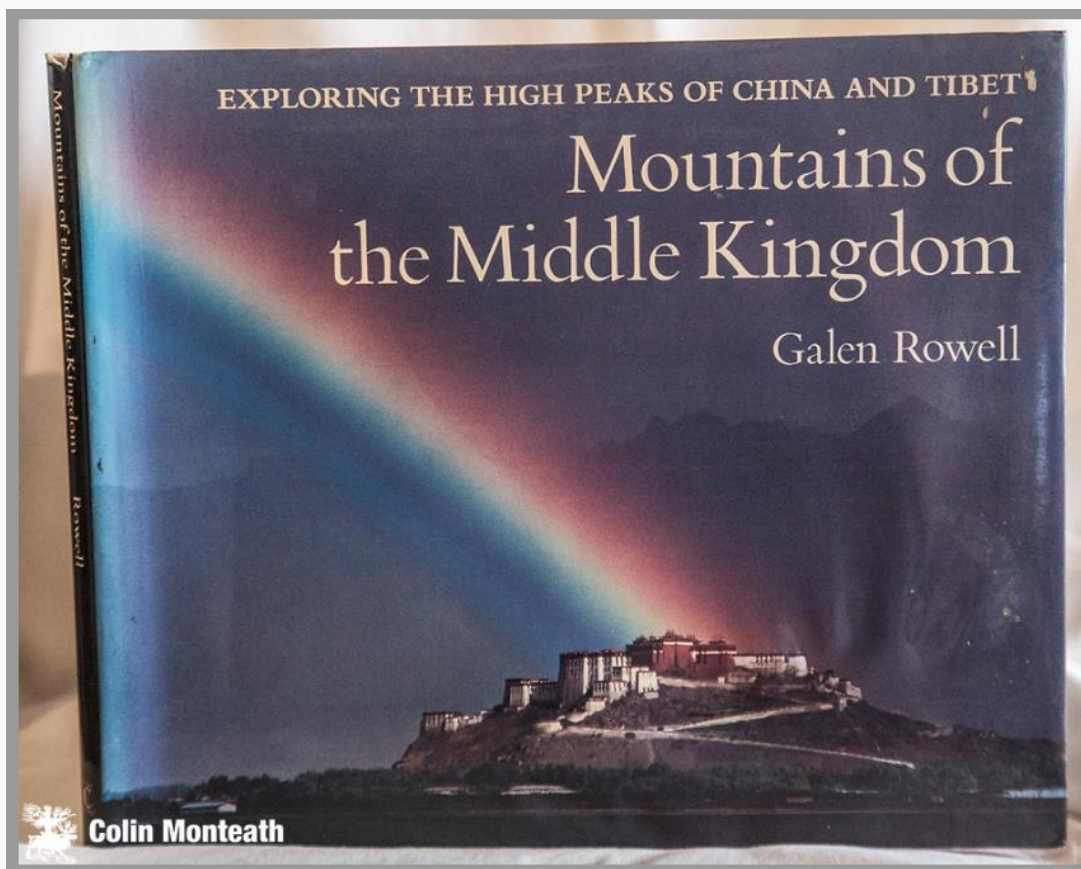


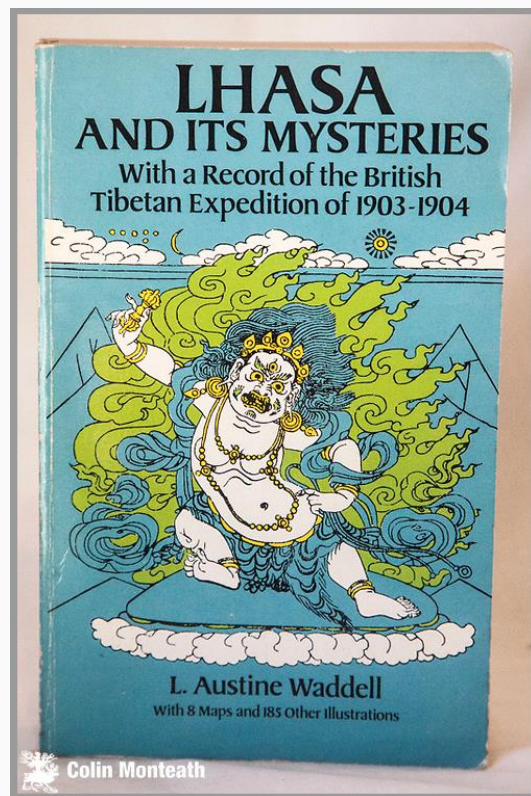
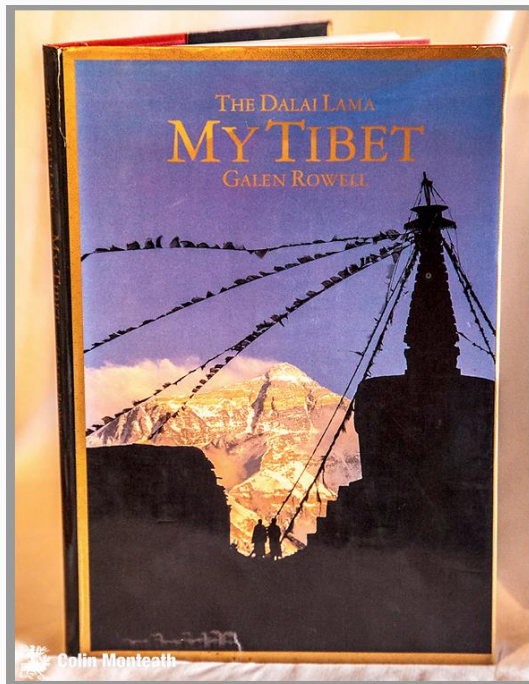
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SEIN LEBEN IN TIBET - Peter Aufschnaiter, Martin Braun publishers, Zurich, 1st Swiss/German edn., 2002, 207 page as new hardback, maps, colour & B&W plates throughout, large fold-out map of Lhasa - Text in German, After 7 years Heinrich Harrer left Tibet, Aufschnaiter stayed on, marrying a Tibetan. There is now an English edn., of this important biography...hence selling my German edn., scarce/small print run **\$NZ120 Reduced to \$105 this Dogalog only**





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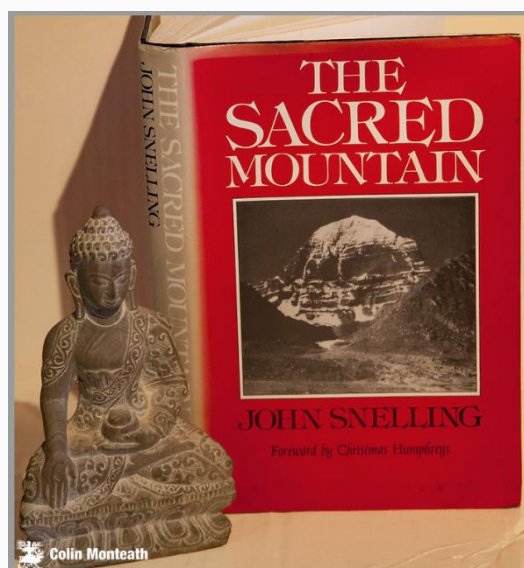
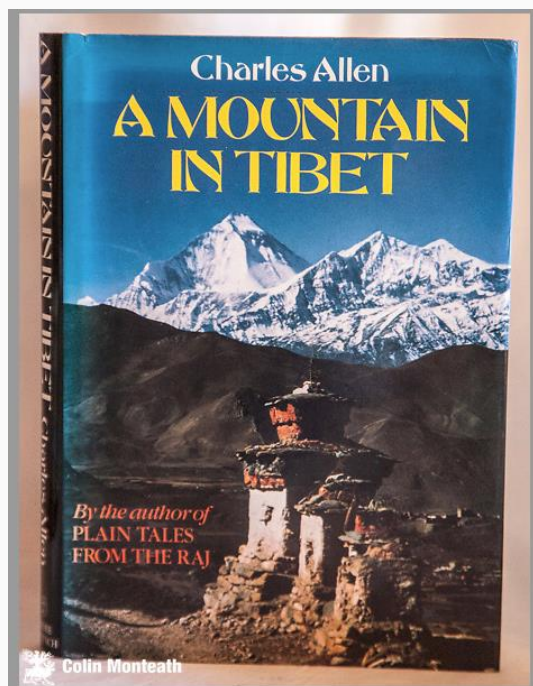
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**Lake Manasarovar and Gurla Mandhata far right, 7700 metres,
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A MOUNTAIN IN TIBET - Charles Allen, Andre Deutsch,
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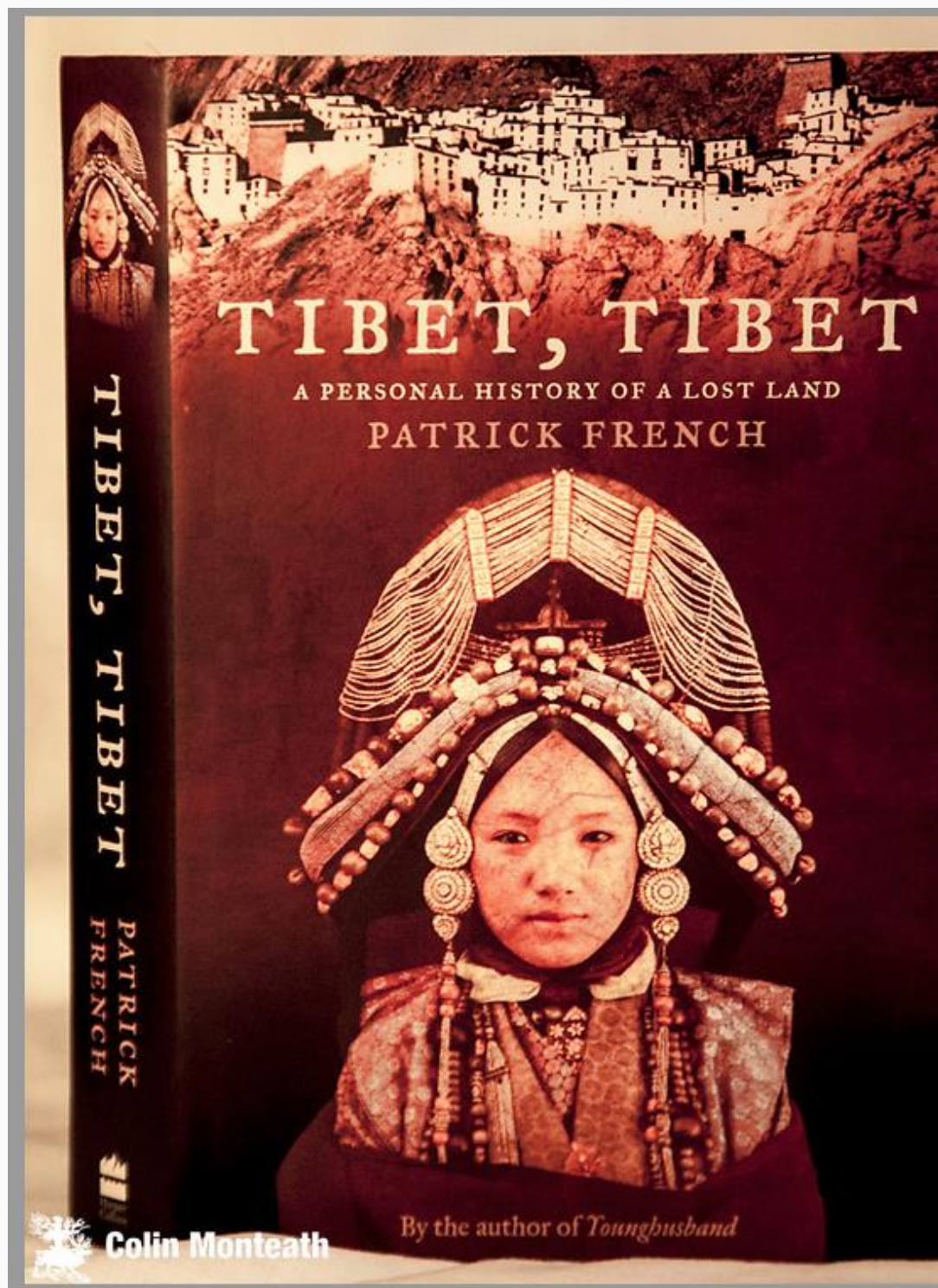
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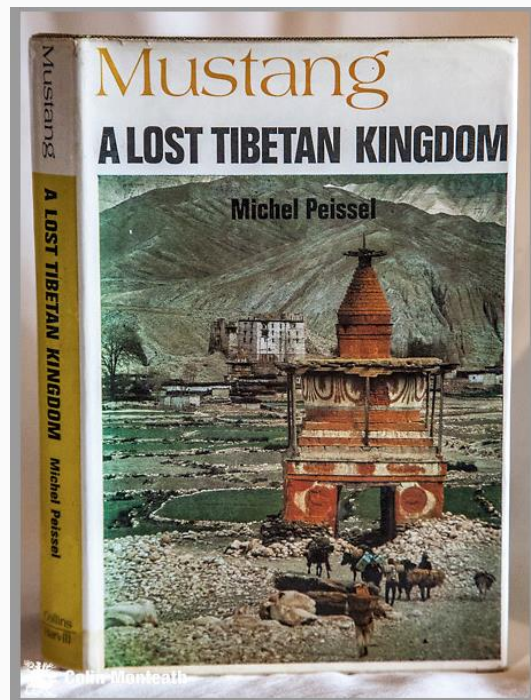
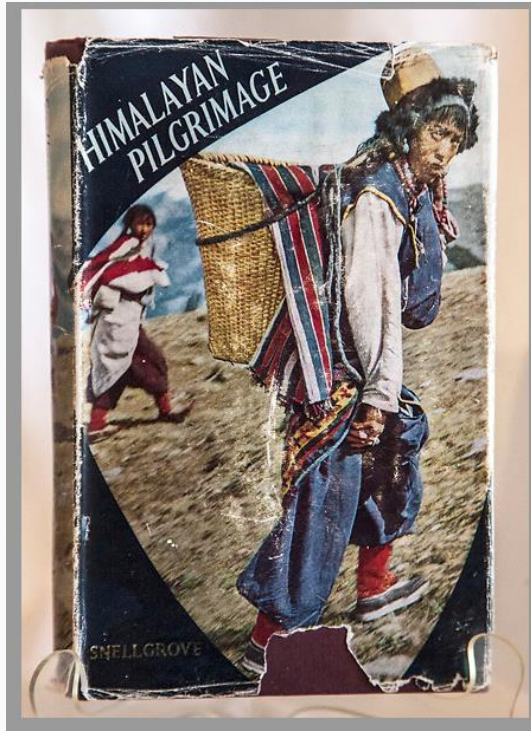
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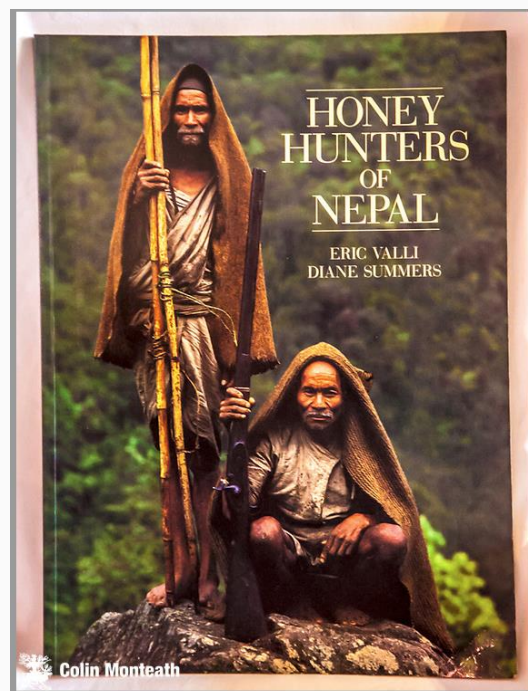
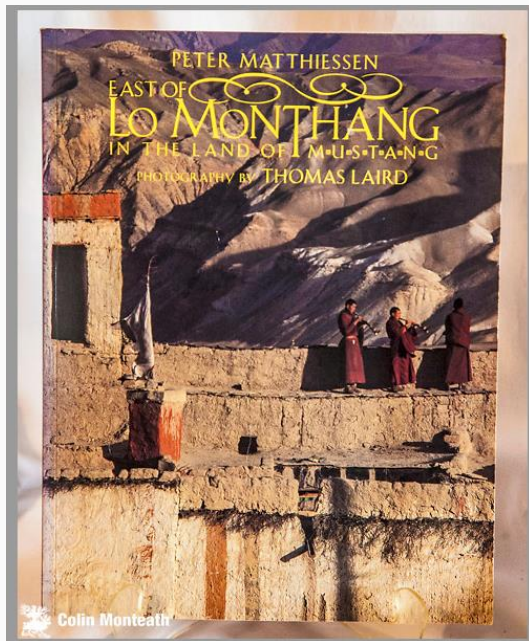


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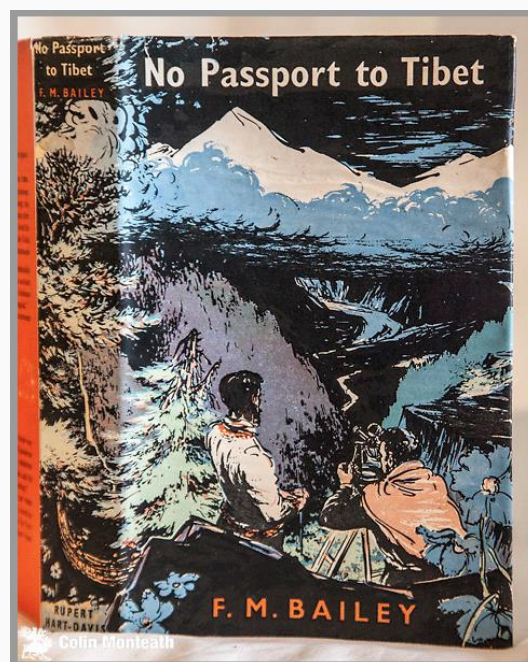
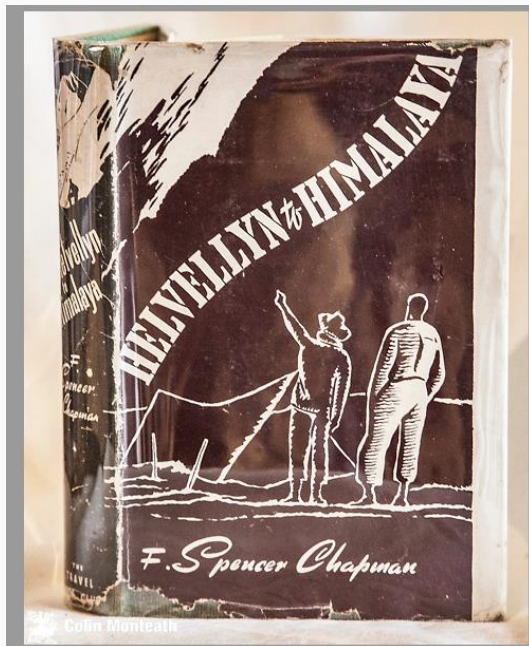
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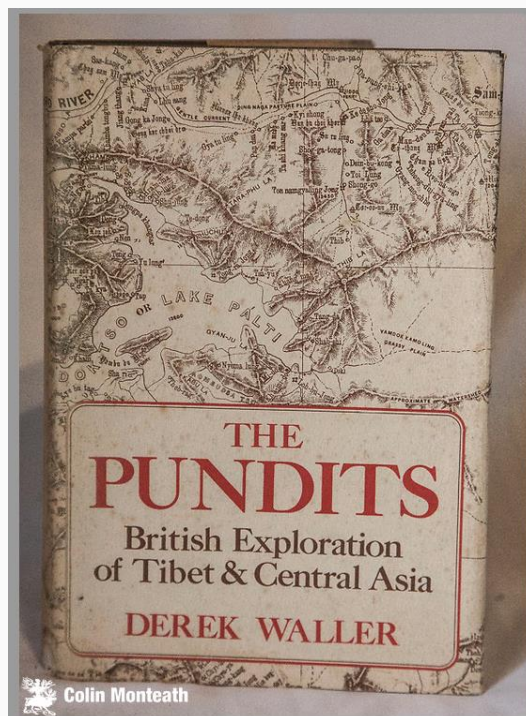
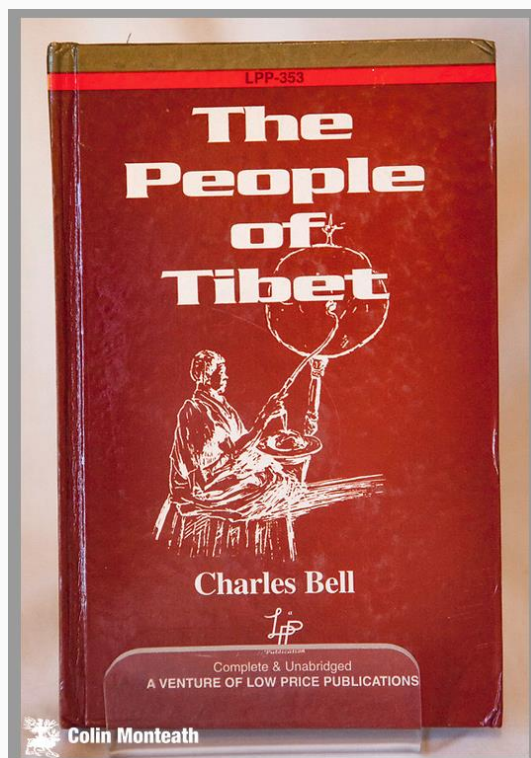


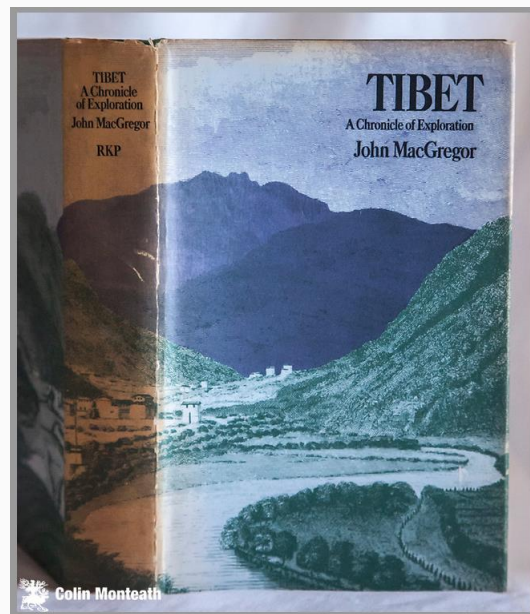
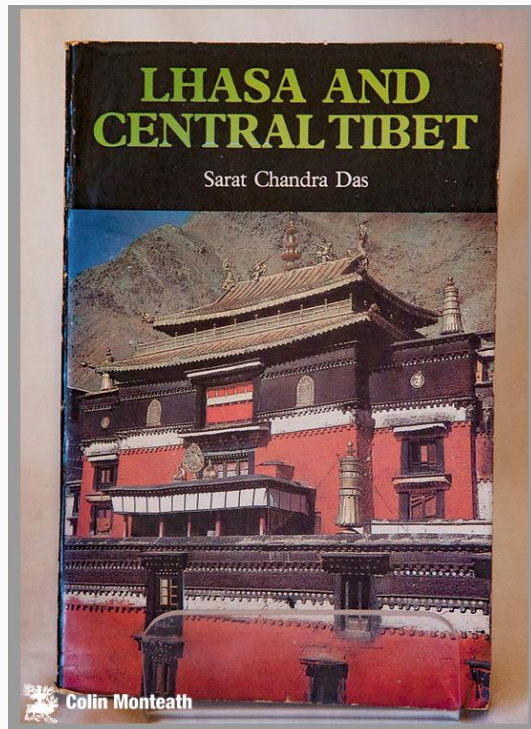
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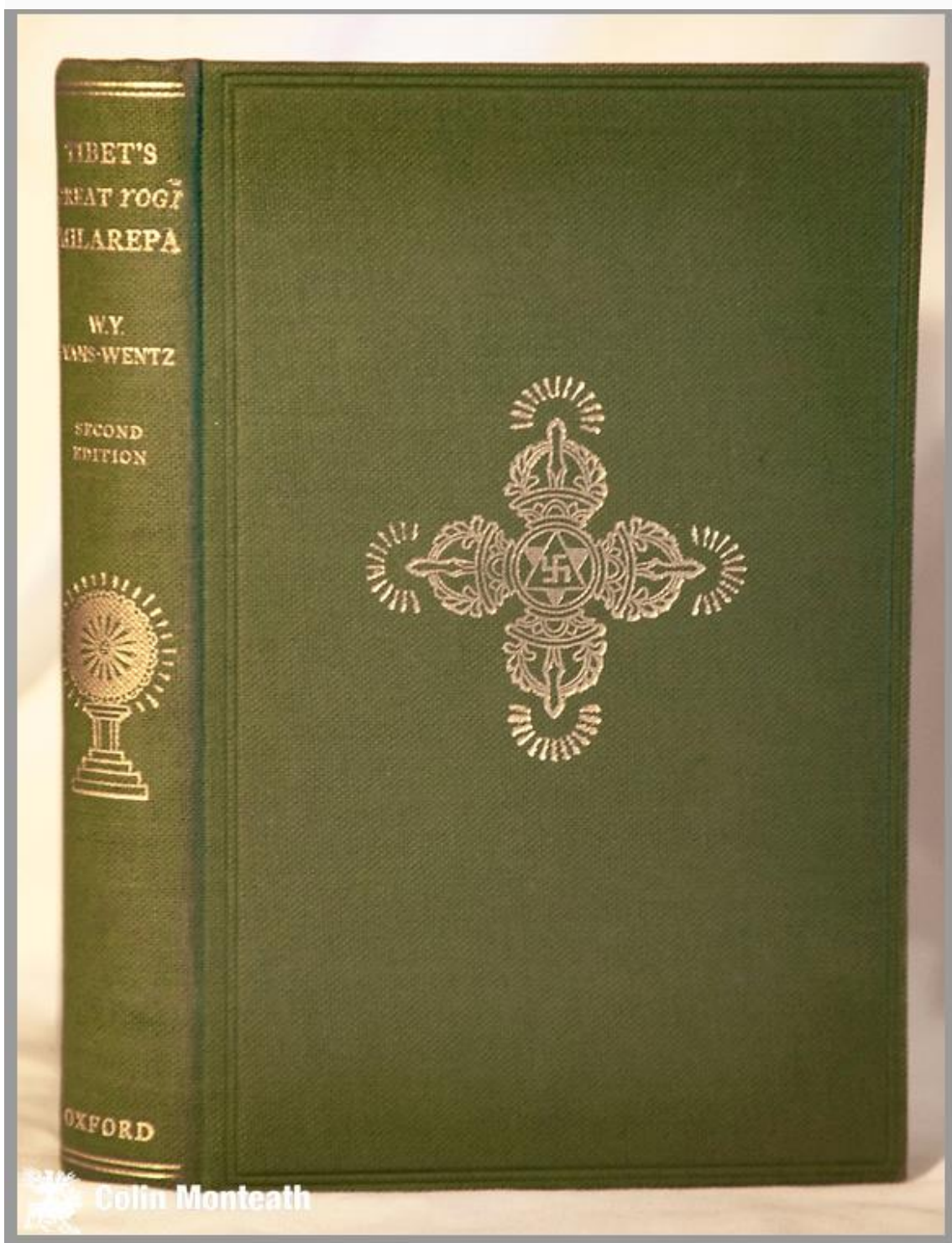
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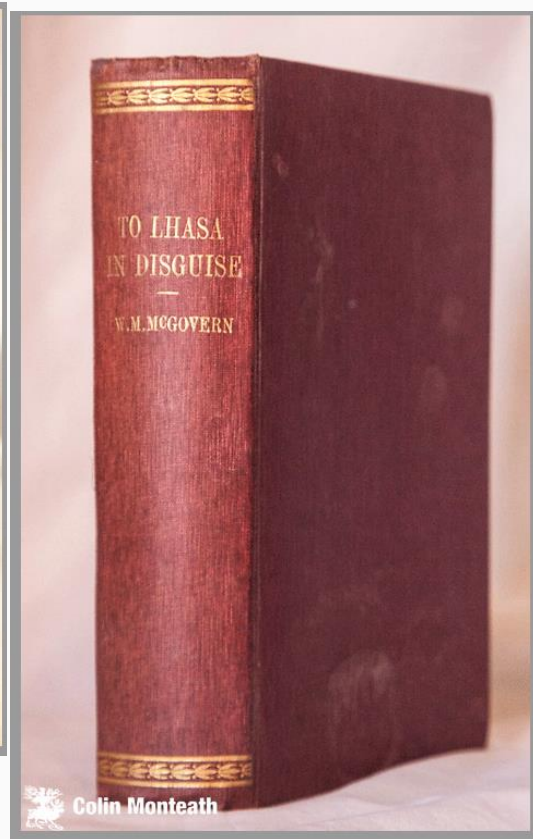
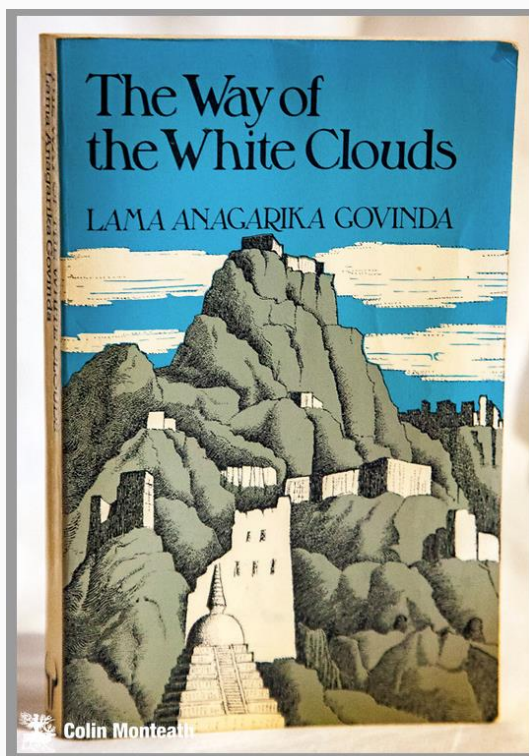
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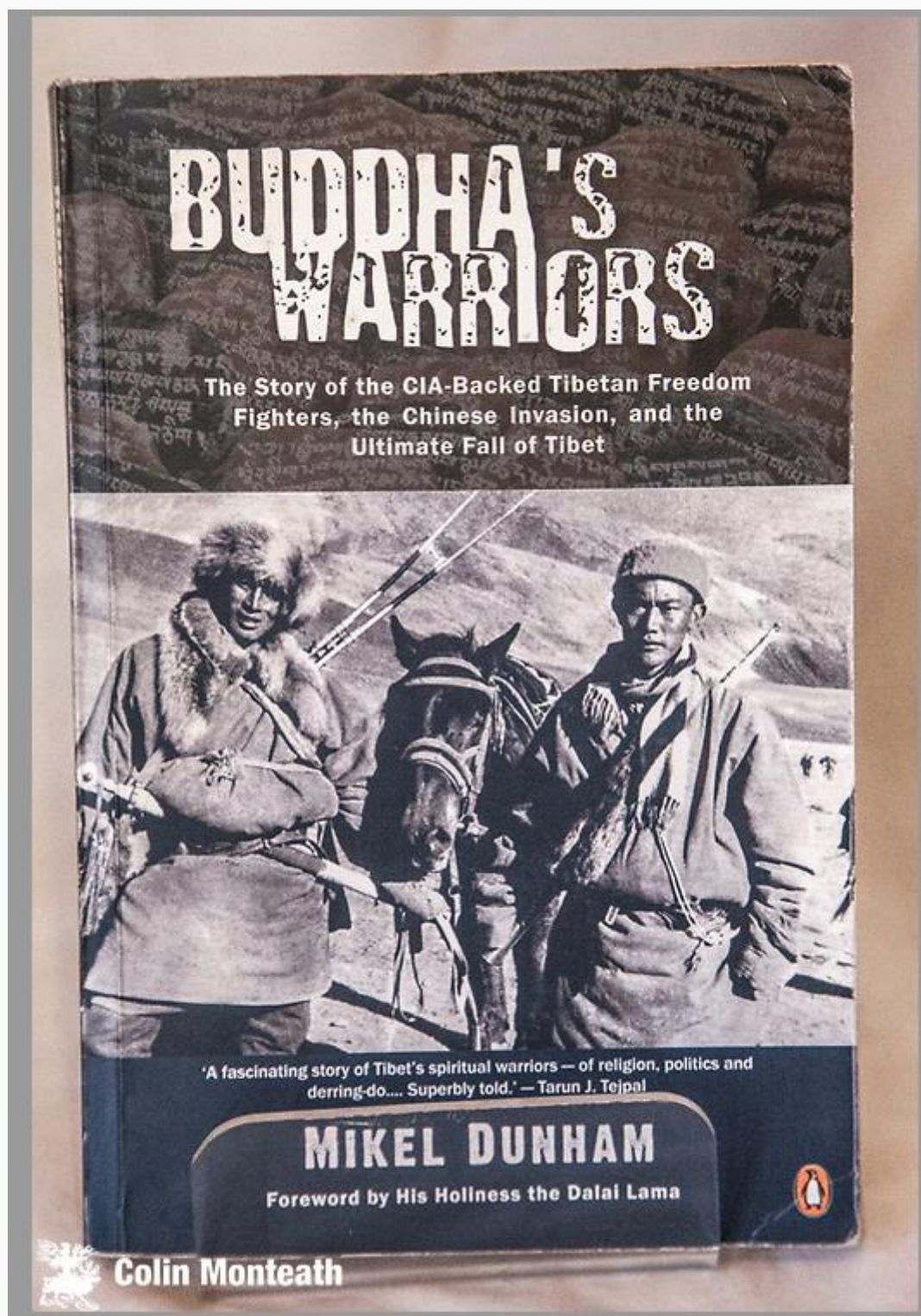
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Mikel Dunham speaking at Kathmandu book launch. To the right is Honorary Consule of New Zealand Lisa Choegyal, American Ambassador to Nepal Peter Bodde and Elizabeth Hawley.

Mikel Dunham speaking at book launch of Elizabeth Hawley's "The Nepal Scene" with Lisa Choegyal, Ambassador Bodde and Elizabeth Hawley in the background.

Mikel Dunham is an author, artist, photojournalist. and Himalayan historian. In the 1980s, Dunham worked in New

York City where he created three-dimensional constructions of wood, glass, mirror, photographs and acrylic media. The Alexander F. Milliken Gallery, Inc. represented his work, mounting numerous solo exhibitions in Soho, as well as group installations in the US and abroad.

The late 80s Dunham became the last student of the late thangka master, Pema Wangyal of Dolpo. He spent the next four years learning how to mix mineral pigments, line-brush in 22-carat gold and paint Tibetan iconography. This led to Dunham's commission to paint the murals for a Tibetan monastery in Sarnath, India—one of eight major pilgrimage sites for Buddhists. Dunham then became artistic director for a much larger Tibetan mural project—a three-year commitment—in upstate New York at Pema Samye Ling Monastery.

In 2000, the Vajrakilaya Foundation selected Dunham to travel to Tibet and photograph Samye Tibet's first monastery. *Samye: A Pilgrimage to the Birthplace of Tibetan Buddhism* (2004, Jodere Group), is the result of that assignment, a photography book interspersed with the history of Bon, the aboriginal religion of Tibet, and the three men most responsible for transforming Tibet into a tantric Buddhist

nation: King Trisong Detsen, Padmasambhava and Shantarakshita. The foreword to *Samye* is written by the Dalai Lama.

In addition to *Samye*, Dunham has written two murder mysteries: *Stilled Life*, in 1989 and *Casting for Murder*, in 1992.

In 2005, Dunham published *Buddha's Warriors: The Story of the CIA-Backed Tibetan Freedom Fighters, the Chinese Invasion, and the Ultimate Fall of Tibet*. *Buddha's Warriors* is a political Tibetan history based on seven years of interviews with and the CIA Task Team who secretly trained the growing Tibetan resistance movement in the late 1950s and early 60s. (Foreword by H. H. the Dalai Lama.) *Buddha's Warriors* has been translated into French under the title *Les Guerriers de Bouddha*. The Japanese translation was published in 2007, the Indian/Pakistani edition came out in 2008, the Tibetan translation was published in 2009, the Czech translation was published in 2011, and the Chinese and Hungarian translations are currently under way.

In 2008, *Le goût du Tibet* was published in France, an anthology of articles about Tibetan culture, religion and

political history. Other authors included in the book are the Dalai Lama, Sogyal Rinpoche, Pema Chodron, Henrich Harrier, Alexandra David-Neel, Milarepa and Antonin Artaud, among others.

In 2012, *Caught in Nepal: Tibetan Refugees Photographing Tibetan Refugees* by Vajra Publications (Nepal). Part photography book, part ruminations on the 2000-year-old relationship between Nepalis and Tibetans, this book was the result of Dunham having distributed digital cameras to Tibetan refugees stranded in Nepal and was funded by the William Hinman Foundation.

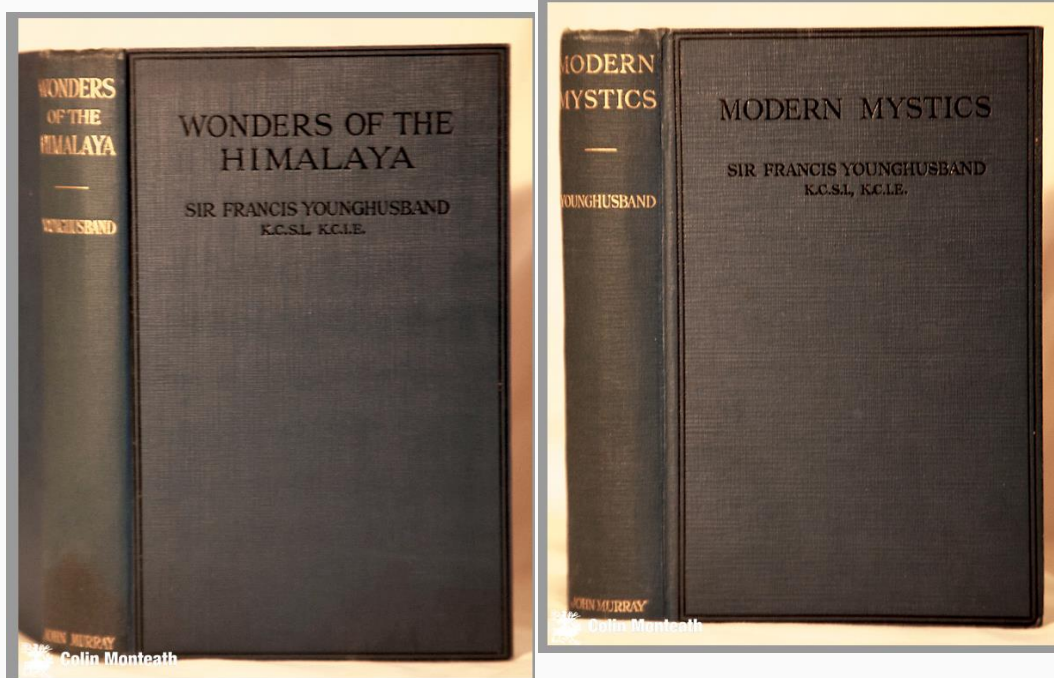
in 2015, *The Nepal Scene: Chronicles of Elizabeth Hawley, 1988-2007* was published. Dunham was co-editor along with Lisa Choegyal, Nepal's New Zealand Honorary Consul. This political history is 2400 pages and published in a two-volume set by Vajra Publications, Kathmandu. Dunham wrote the postscript and was responsible for the book design and cover art.

Also in 2015, Dunham edited the English translation of *The Autobiography of Rookmangud Katawal*". *He also wrote the Foreword.*

Currently, Dunham is a correspondent for The Daily Beast.

Dunham has written articles for *Harvard South Asian Journal*, *Tricycle Magazine*, and a four-part report on child prostitute trafficking in Asia for *Tehelka* and interviewed by Radio Free Asia, Asia Times, Times of India, Indian Express, among many other magazines in Southeast Asia. Dunham plays an active role in human rights issues.[[] He was selected as an international observer during the 2008 April elections in Nepal. Continual updates of the political situation in Nepal and Tibet are posted on his website:

<http://www.mikeldunham.blogs.com>



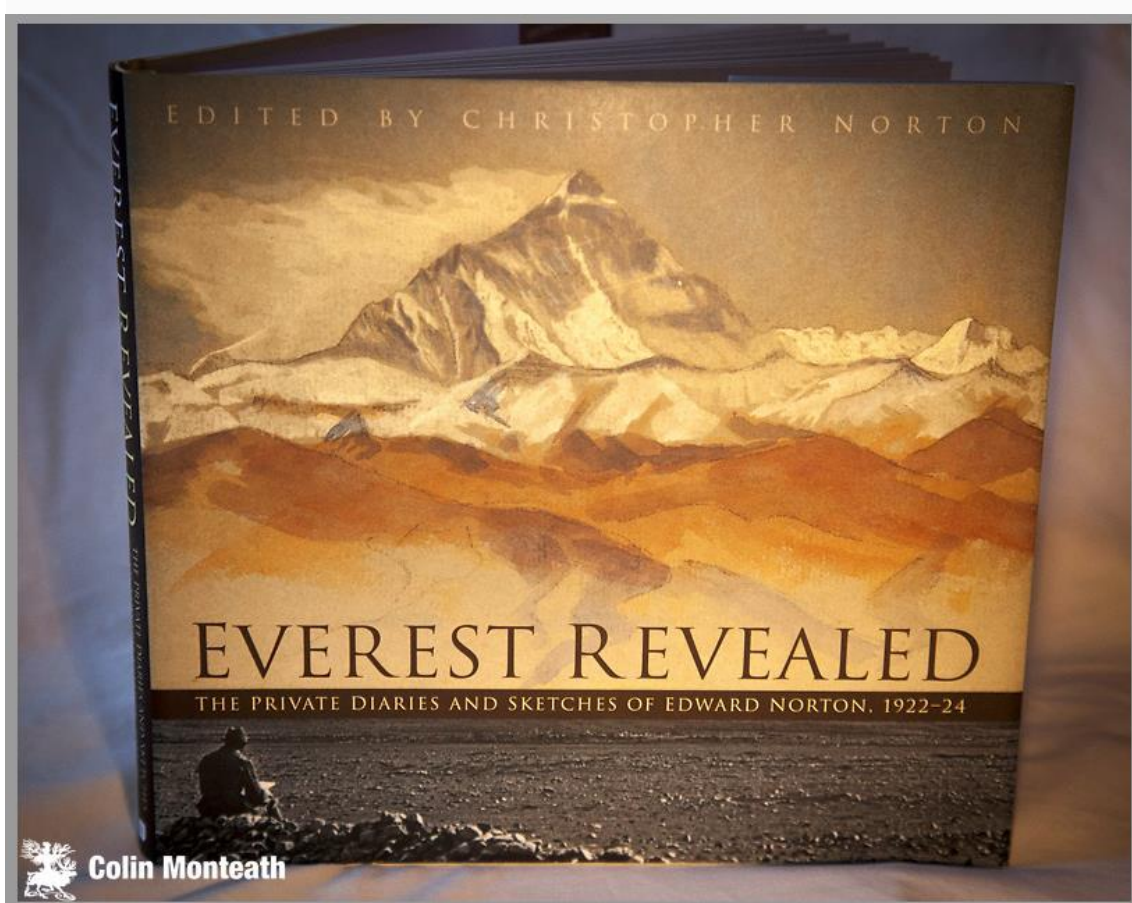
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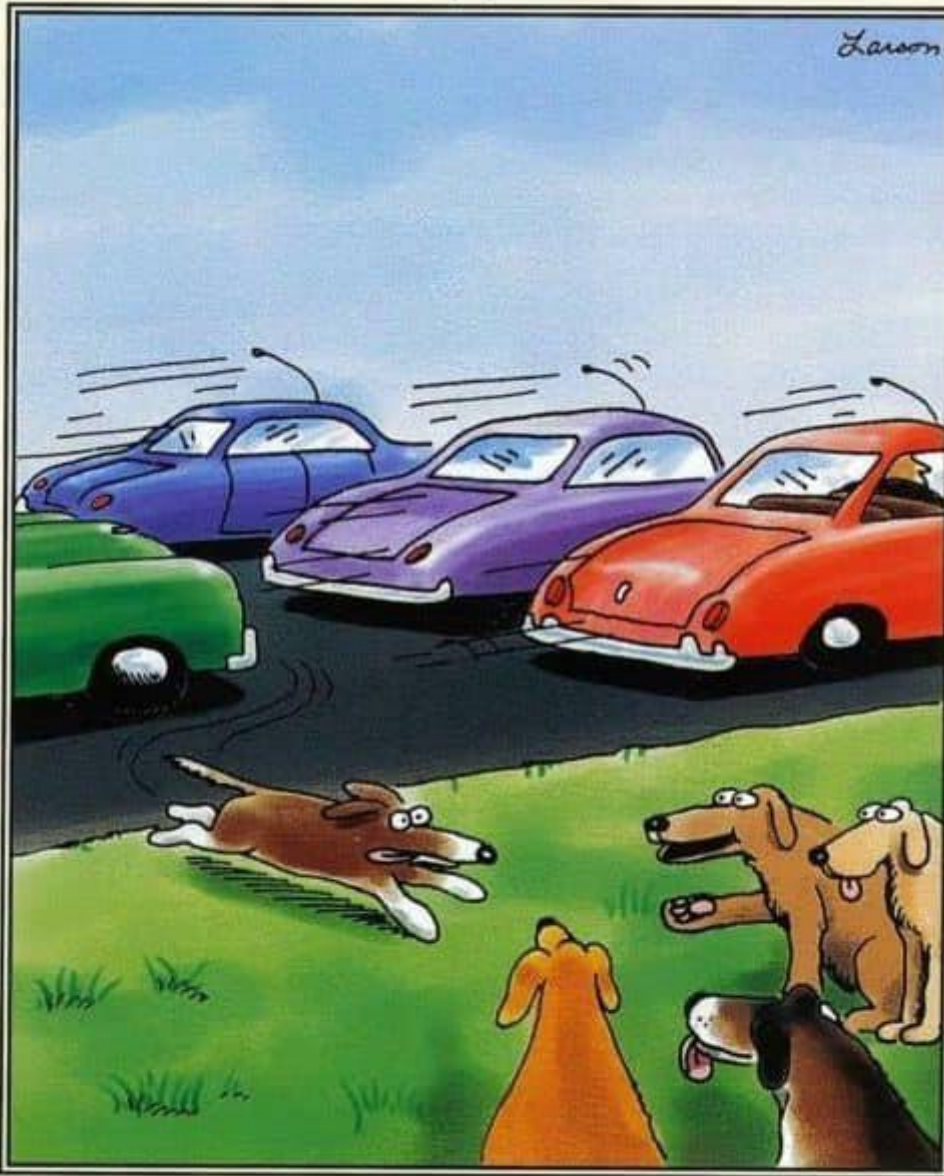
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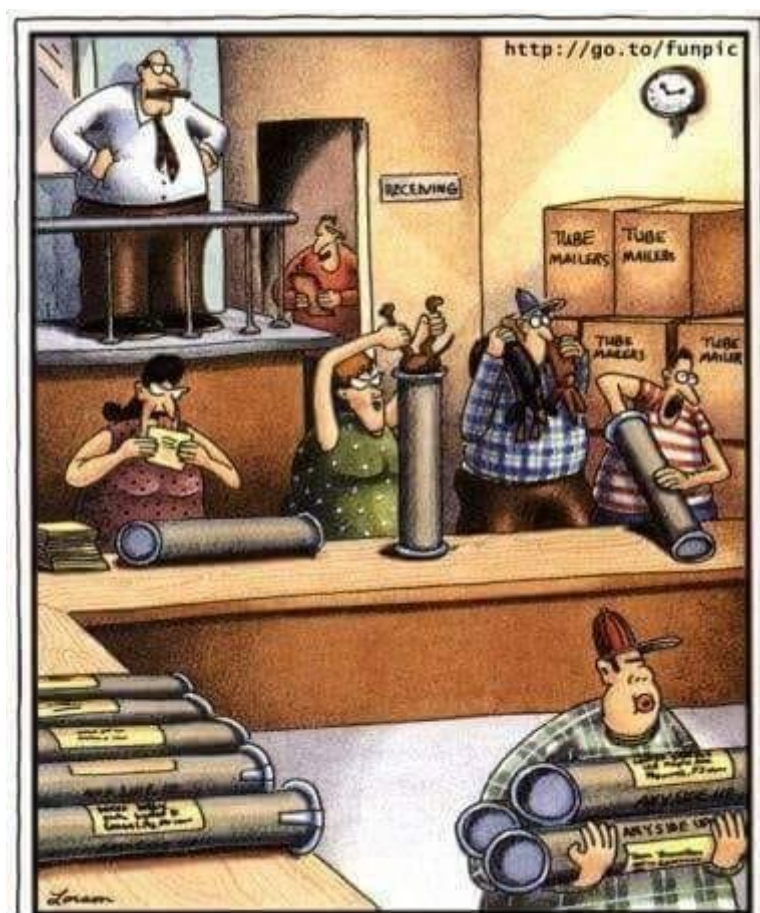
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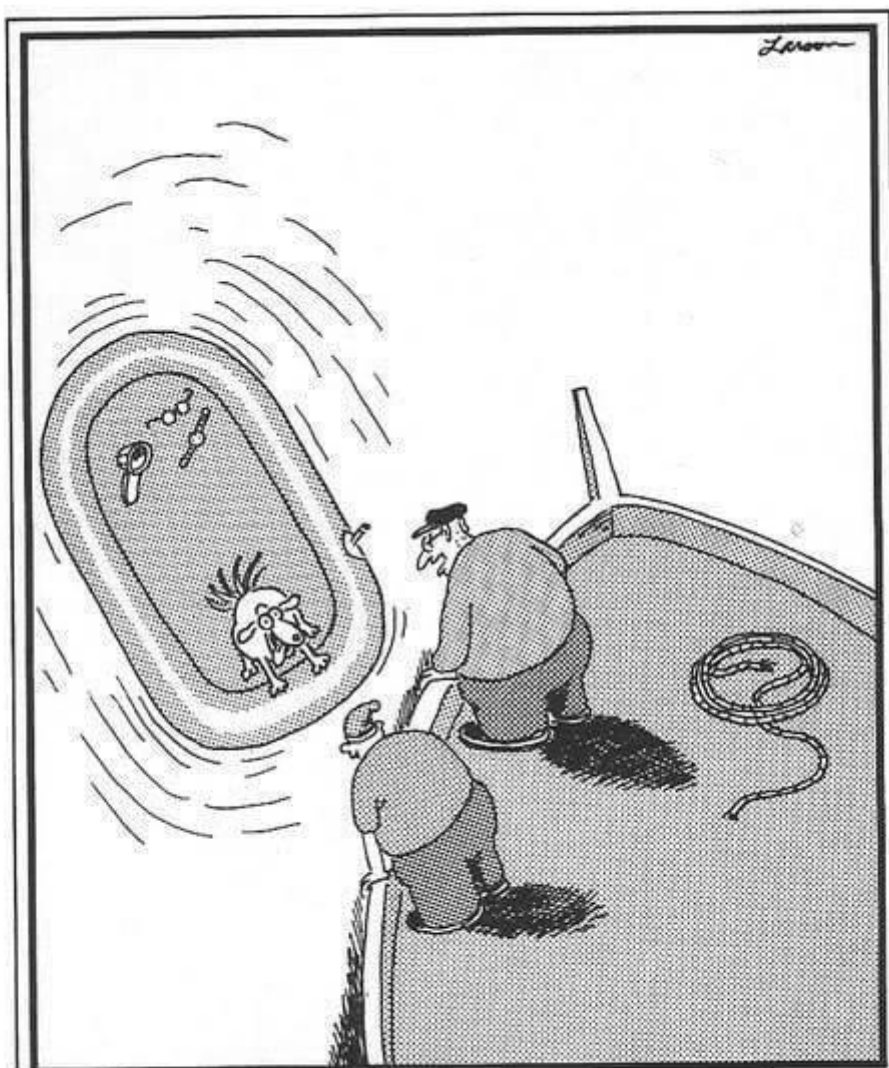
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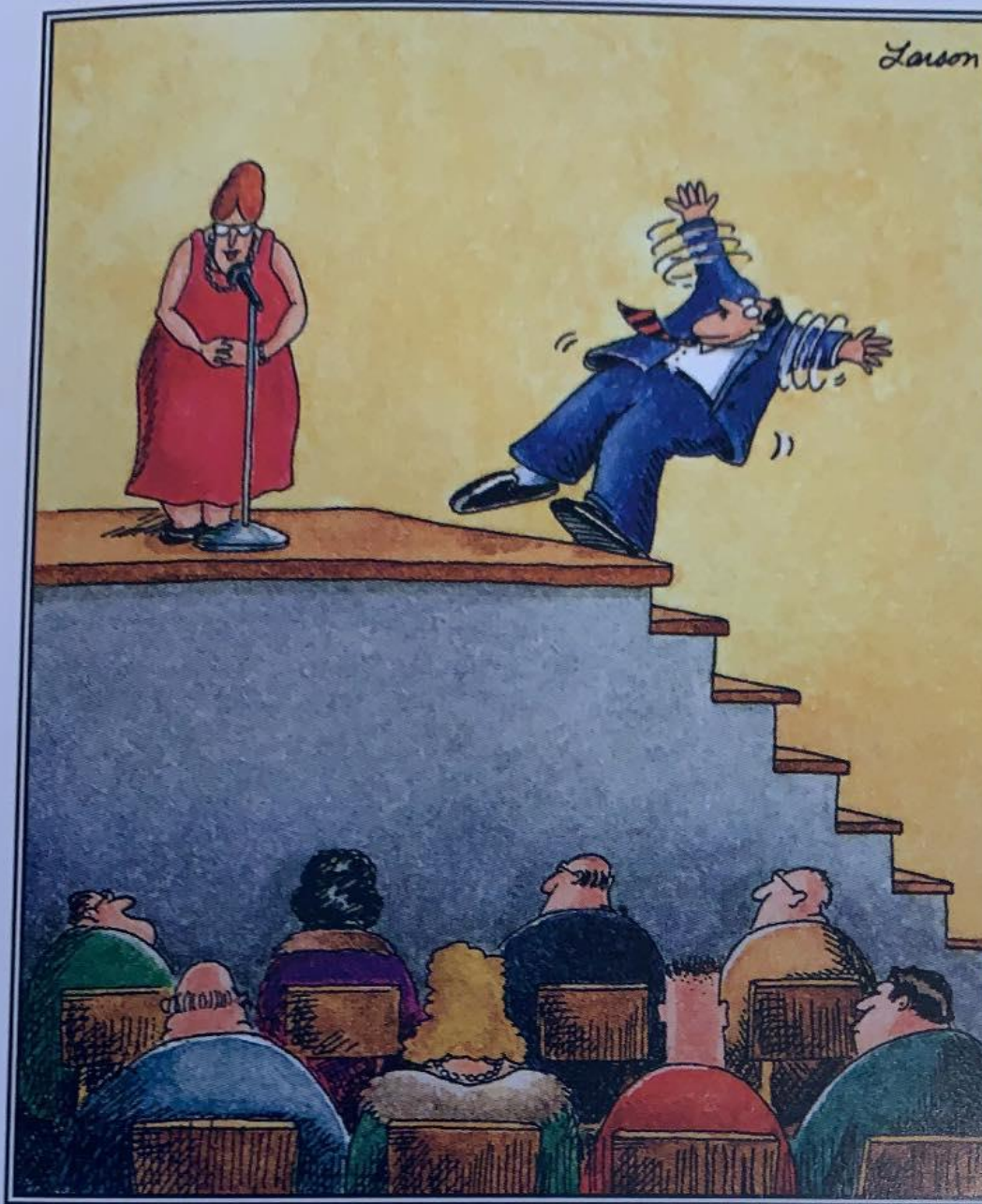
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