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WHO DOESN’T LOVE A DOG BOOK?
by Bruce Strauch (The Citadel)


THE GREAT BIG CHARTER
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June was the 800th anniversary of Magna Carta. The four surviving copies were put on display in the British Library, and they were each different. There was no “original.” It was an oral agreement. These were “engrossments” or written records of the oral pact. In fact, the text was the same. They were just different shapes, sizes, handwriting, ink color.


SPORTS BEAT AT THE OLD NY SUN
by Bruce Strauch (The Citadel)

The Library of America is marking the centenary of famed sports-writer Bill Heinz’ birth by publishing The Top of His Game: The Best Sportswriting of W.C. Heinz. His “Death of a Racehorse” has been called one of the greatest sports columns ever published.

His boxing novel The Professional was published in 1956. Heminway called it “the only good novel about a fighter I’ve ever read and an excellent first novel in its own right.”


RETURN OF A CLASSIC BOOKSTORE
by Bruce Strauch (The Citadel)

Last year, the Rizzoli Bookstore — beloved of art, architecture and design fans — closed its historic shop at 57th Street in Manhattan. But now it’s back, and all have breathed a sigh of relief. You can find it on Broadway just west of Madison Square Park in an 1896 Beaux Arts tower. The black-and-white stone floor pattern was inspired by flags used in Siena’s Palio horse races.


LETS’ READ ABOUT THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR
by Bruce Strauch (The Citadel)

And they’re all written immediately after the war. (1) Constancia de la Mora, In Place of Splendor (1939) (daughter of wealth and privilege marries republican officer and heads their press bureau); (2) André Malraux, Man’s Hope (1937) (the war in the air); (3) Ramón Sender, The War in Spain (1937); (4) Ahav Bessie, Men in Battle (1939) (Abraham Lincoln Brigade); (5) Ernest Hemingway, For Whom the Bell Tolls (1940) (the earth moved).


TOO LATE FOR XMAS, BUT MAYBE ON SALE
by Bruce Strauch (The Citadel)


Curious about Jezebel sauce? Vidalia onion, tsp. veg oil, 3 tbsp. grainy mustard, 3 tbsp. horseradish, ¼ cup apple jelly, ¼ cup pineapple preserves, lemon zest, tsp. lemon juice.


Future Dates for Charleston Conferences

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