

CANAV Mailing Bomber Command 3-2025

Lots of Bomber Command and some related books s per USAAF in the UK:

[] ***Wimpy: A Detailed Illustrated History of the Vickers Wellington in Service 1938-***

1958 Bond. A-1 history of this renowned RAF bomber on which so many Canadians served in all theatres. From inception in the 1930s to baptism by fire in 1939-40 when the Wimpy suffered on daylight operations to key roles in Bomber Command's night war, in the U-boat war + training. All the specs, the Wimpy's war record, its outgrowth the Warwick. It's all here. 256pp, photos galore, all units, glossary, biblio, index. \$32.95. **\$12.50 B**

[] ***Man on a Mission*** Fred Panton's life's story in the UK. Includes how he finds the grave of his RAF brother, the search for the RCAF pilot of his brother's bomber, buying and restoring a Lancaster (today's "Just Jane" and establishing in the UK the Aviation Heritage Centre - a memorial to Bomber Command. 168pp, sc, photos. New copy **\$15.00 B**

[] ***Aviation in Canada: Bombing and Coastal Operations Overseas 1939-1945*** Milberry. Yet another gem of an RCAF book! All the action re. Canadians in Bomber Command, Coastal Command and on misc. similar duties. The great aircraft & squadrons. From Anson to Whitley, Beaufort, Sunderland, Lancaster, etc. Many personal profiles. A fantastic tribute to a great generation in the RCAF, exactly what CANAV's critical readers demand. Has a general autograph from 2016. Lovely copy. 272pp, 600 photos, hc, lf, photos, gloss, biblio, index. **\$20.00 A**

[] ***RAF Bomber Command in the Second World War: The Hardest Victory*** Denis Richard. From the beginnings of Bomber Command's offensive to the final raid in April 1945. The Ruhr, Hamburg, Berlin, "Overlord", all the successes, failures and controversy. Ends with a 50-year retrospective. 394pp, sc, photos, aps, chron., gloss., app'x, index. VG. **\$12.50 B**

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