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flying practices, all the way to the present. Through photographs and anecdotes, you'll meet brave and colorful pilots, the true cowboys of

the sky who carved the face of America's Last Frontier.