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expression in animated film reaches much further back in American history, as *That's All Folks?* makes clear. Countering the view that the contemporary environmental movement--and the cartoons it influenced--came to life in the 1960s, Robin L. Murray and Joseph K. Heumann reveal how environmentalism was already a growing concern in animated films of the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s. From *Felix the Cat* cartoons to Disney's beloved *Bambi* to Pixar's *Wall-E* and James Cameron's *Avatar*, this volume shows how animated features with environmental themes are moneymakers on multiple levels--particularly as broad-based family entertainment and conveyors of consumer products. Only Ralph Bakshi's X-rated *Fritz the Cat* and R-rated *Heavy Traffic* and *Coonskin*, with their violent, dystopic representation of urban environments, avoid this total immersion in an anti-environmental consumer market. Showing us enviro-toons in their cultural and historical contexts, this book offers fresh insights into the changing perceptions of the relationship between humans and the environment and a new understanding of environmental and animated cinema"--Provided by publisher.

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