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AIR MAIL **FROM FORERUNNERS...**



BALLON MONTÉ

1870 - Ballon Monté "Armand Barbès" (7.10.1870) - triangular format letter "Par Ballon Monté" franked with c.20 blue, Yvert n.29, star canc. "20" of Paris of 6.10.70 and arrival canc. on the back "Nancy 23 Oct 70" - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% 1989 "It is one of the rare Ballon Monté known in triangular shape") - rare and gorgeous

lot 1 - BASE 2,000.00



INTERNATIONAL FORERUNNERS

1877 - USA - "Buffalo Balloon" - c.5 dark blue (printing 300 ex.) - the first semi-official postage stamp in the world of air mail, featuring an air balloon - issued privately by John F.B.Lillard to frank mail on the occasion of the flight, in the month of June 1877, of balloon Buffalo, piloted by Samuel Archer King, left from Nashville and landed in Gallatin (Tennessee) - cat.Sanabria S1 - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 80% with expertise appendix 1992)

lot 15 - BASE 3,000.00



INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS

1927 - USA - North Atlantic third long-distance flight New York-Paris (29 June-1 July) - first official mail transport - Commander Richard E.Byrd, monoplane "America" - the flight was accompanied by very bad weather; after 42 hours and 5,600 km it ended in Normandy, on Ver sur Mer sea-shore, under a heavy rainfall, and the mail packet was damaged because of water - Commander Byrd, before taking off, had assured he would act as a United States mail pilot; therefore, the whole packet carried is official - cover addressed to Paris franked with c.5, Yvert n.232,

canc. "New York, N.Y. G.P.O. Jun 21 2 PM" and, outside the circle, 1927 + arrival canc. "Ver-s Mer Calvados - 9 * 2 - 7 27" - signatures of the Commander and the crew: Acosta, Noville, Byrd and Balchen - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% with expertise appendix 1992) - F.Longhi (cert.2013 "The rare flight cover - one out of two known to me, up to now, with the autographs of all the crew members and representing the first air mail between the United States and France - is genuine and in a very good condition...")

lot 22 - BASE 2,000.00

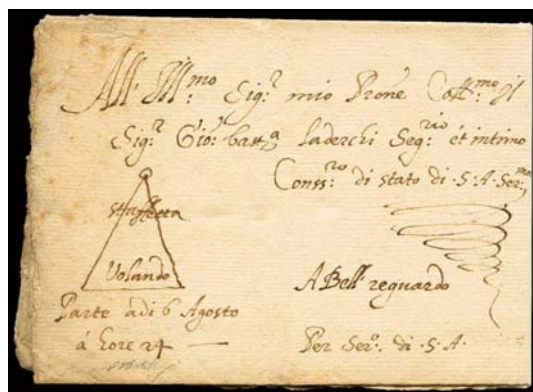




INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS

1932 - Switzerland - "Piccard" - first mail transport in the world in the stratosphere - cover n.25 out of 50 carried on board the aerostat F.N.R.S. by professor Auguste Piccard who, for the first time on 18.8.32, reached the height of 16,201 metres (F.A.I. record) - cover franked on departure with Swiss Air Mail postage stamps, c.25+c.35, Yvert n.5+13, canc. "Zurich 17.VIII.32" and Italian c.75+L.1, Sassone n.12+14, applied on the landing following day near Mantua, canc. "Pozzolengo 18.8.32" - signatures of Auguste Piccard and of his flight attendant Max Cosyns - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% with expertise appendix 1989 "One of the most important testimony of world air mail") - cat.Longhi n.2757 (R2)

lot 25 - BASE 6,000.00



ITALIAN FORERUNNERS

1595 - Ferrara, letter "Staffetta Volando" of 6 August 1595, accompanying a mail packet - addressed to Giovanni Battista Laderchi, counsellor of State and private secretary of Duke Alfonso II of Este at "Bell' reguardo", near Ferrara, and sent by one of his court members, Paris Ferrari, to inform him that he had sent, by means of that present post-boy, a group of letters coming from Brescello, again by means of a post-boy, addressed to His Highness the Duke as well as to secretary Laderchi himself and to the Ducal Court - this document, by means of the graphic symbol of post-boy, the word unusually written in full and the term "Volando" (flying), added, on those days, on particularly urgent letters together with

mail notes regarding arrival and departure, is placed among the **first mail documents with flight forerunner symbols** - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. "Gorgeous" with expertise appendix 1997)

lot 32 - BASE 2,000.00



ITALIAN FLIGHTS

1919 - Airship F.6 - Inaugural flight with passenger cabin Milan-Venice - photograph postcard "Comando Dirigibile F.6" sent on 23.6.19 from Venice to Milan, franked with two c.5, Sassone n.81 - two-line special postmark in violet with wavy lines "Posta Aerea Dirigibile F.6" - the sender writes "aboard airship F.6 flying Milan-Venice over Euganean Hills... Enraptured by the wonderful journey..." - Ex coll. "Celeste e Lunardi", Bolaffi 1990 - A.Bolaffi - E.Diena (cert.1988 "... rarity. Also the text is really interesting") - F.Longhi (cat. n.1078 - cert. AIEP 2013 "really rare flight cover")

lot 49 - BASE 2,000.00





ITALIAN FLIGHTS

1927 - Newfoundland, Atlantic Air Cruise, seaplane "Santa Maria II", Commander Francesco De Pinedo, Lap Trepassey (Newfoundland)-Rome - long format cover headed "O.H.M. Service" sent on 20.5.27 from St. Johns to Rome and franked with Newfoundland special c.60 ex. overprinted in red "Air Mail De Pinedo 1927", Yvert Air Mail n.4 - departure canc. "St.Johns, N'Fld May 20 10-AM. 1927", of transit "Trepassey Newf'd My 21 27" and, on the back, of

arrival "Roma Centro 16-17 22 VI 1927" - three vertical creases not touching the postage stamp - Bolaffi small cancel - Giulio Bolaffi (guarantee cert.1964 "flight cover that I have signed in full as a guarantee, given its rarity") - F.Longhi (cat. n.1641 - cert. AIEP 2013 "Rare cover, one out of 225 franked with the special air mail postage stamp, commemorative of the flight")

lot 54 - BASE 8,000.00



ITALO BALBO

1933 - Decennial North Atlantic Cruise - USA, return flight lap New York-Rome - registered letter sent on 24.7.33 from New York (USA) to Milan, via Rome, franked with c.3 violet (inland) + four ordinary ex. for \$3.60 (rate to Europe), Yvert n.321+244+246+247, with New York Varick St. Annex departure canc. + triptych "I-BIAN" L.5,25+44,75 multicoloured, Sassone n.52B, hit by the large Cruise cachet, the circular special postmark "Italian Air Cruise New York-Roma" - on the front, Cruise special canc. "Lido di Roma - 12.8.33 XI.19" in green + transit postmark Rome-Florence-Milan and of arrival in Milan both of 13.8.33 - Ex. coll. "La Crociera del Decennale", Filasta 1993 - A.Bolaffi + small cancel (financial cert. 100% 1989 "Really rare use of United States postage stamps together with Italian commemorative Balbo triptych") - G.Bolaffi - E.Diena (cert.1984, "... signed E.Diena given the rarity of the presence of an Italian triptych on Balbo flight cover on departure from the United States") - F.Longhi (cat. n.2946a - cert. AIEP 2013 "The really rare flight cover - the sole bearing also the L.25 I-BIAN triptych known to me, up to now - is genuine ... I specify that it will be catalogued in next edition of «Aerofilia Italiana» with the number above")

lot 132 - BASE 5,000.00

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