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From Sailing Ships to Spitfires is such a story, about Norway and immigration to the United States and Canada in the early 20th century. Book by Shirley Walker.

Later that year these forces were involved in the invasion of Canada, but poor weather and timely arrival of British reinforcements caused the Americans to fall back to Fort Ticonderoga in May. There they proceeded to build a gunboat fleet to help repel an expected British invasion. Nelson, the British, under the command of General Guy Carleton, realized that they needed to control Lake Champlain in order to conduct a successful campaign in New York. Since area roads were usually poor quality if they existed at all, lakes and rivers were important transport routes for both sides. The gunboats Edit The gunboat Philadelphia, a sister-ship to the Spitfire. The Spitfire was one of eight gundalows built in Skenesborough later renamed Whitehall. These gundalows, outfitted as gunboats, were built without plans though the shipwrights followed basic dimensions and instructions written by Benedict Arnold. The design of the American gunboats shows a balance between the need for rapid construction and effectiveness for their intended purpose. The gunboats all followed a common pattern. They were mostly decked over, with the middle third of the hull being open down to the bilge, thus dividing the deck into three sections. The low middle platform abaft the mast held the two broadside cannon usually 9-pounders and a fireplace. The guns were not opposite of each other in order to give more room to work them. The bow platform held the bow gun, usually a 9 or pounder. Cannons were in short supply, so in the case of the gunboat Philadelphia the bow gun was of Swedish origin cast about years earlier. The stern platform held the helmsman and officers. This platform also held two arms chests. The rail caps had sockets for oarlocks, pivot guns and stanchions for awnings. Later on, fascines were added to the rail caps for protection against small arms fire. The gunboats carried positions for 12 oars, 6 per side. The rigging consisted of a single mast with a square mainsail and a topsail. To counteract the weight of the bow gun, the stern area held stones for ballast. Due to their square sails and flat, shallow bottoms the gunboats could only sail in wind blowing from astern. The warships, initially under the command of Jacobus Wynkoop, were then sent to patrol the northern part of the lake. Benedict Arnold was originally sent to Skenesborough to expedite the boat construction going on there, but by August, he was sent to take over command of the fleet. He spent the time between August and October patrolling the lake and reconnoitering the British naval and troop buildup going on in St. While at anchor a violent storm blew in on August. The Spitfire was anchored closest to the lee shore, and was initially unable to set sail against the storm. Arnold ordered her to stay anchored in an attempt to ride out the storm while the rest of the fleet sailed south until they found a sheltered anchorage. The Spitfire managed to survive the two-day storm and was able to rejoin the fleet at Buttonmold Bay. They encountered many enemy troop encampments, and despite British efforts to lure them closer they did not try to attack St. After briefly observing enemy efforts at building shore batteries, Arnold sailed south on September 8 to Isle La Motte. There he considered making his stand against the impending British invasion, but upon hearing reports of British naval strength Arnold took the fleet further south to Valcour Island. The fleet arrived there on September. During this time the galleys that were building at Skenesborough were completed and joined the fleet, which now consisted of three galleys, three schooners, eight gunboats and one sloop. A guard boat was sent out daily to the north end of the island to look for the British approach, which finally occurred on October. The fleet, under command of Thomas Pringle, consisted of one ship sloop, three schooners, one radeau, and over twenty gunboats. A small fleet of flat bottomed boats and bateaus carrying the British army followed. However, the British fleet now had to sail against the prevailing north winds to reach the American fleet. The British gunboats, using their oars, were able to get into action quickly, with only sporadic help from the other British warships. Arnold had hoped that the British would initially bypass him and be forced to claw their way against the wind in order to attack. On that count he was successful, and the day was primarily a battle between the gunboats on the British side and the schooners, galleys, and gunboats on the American side. By the end of the day the Americans lost one schooner, the Royal Savage. A gunboat, the Philadelphia, was so damaged that she sank that evening. All the other boats, including the Spitfire, were damaged. His fleet was

able to slip past the British on the night of October 11” The following morning the British fleet, surprised to find the Americans gone, initiated a pursuit. This pursuit lasted over the next two days. In the end, only one galley, two schooners, the sloop and one gunboat survived to reach the fort. There the fleet halted to make repairs before resuming its flight toward Fort Ticonderoga. The Spitfire, however, succumbed to battle damage and was abandoned, sinking in the early morning hours of October 12 in deep water off Schuyler Island. The wreck lay undisturbed until , when its intact remains were discovered during a survey by the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in Report available to download here.

2: From Sailing Ships to Spitfires Book

About the Book From Sailing Ships to Spitfires explores the world and the experiences of the Roseland family when they emigrated from Norway to the United States, and then to Canada at the turn of the last century.

It brings back many fond memories of my war years in England and the continent. This was a great book to read. It has all the elements of a novel I want to read a story. In search of economic security, a home and a suitable society in which to raise their children, they encountered the problems common to many of the immigrants who settled this country. The Roseland family story is woven into descriptions of the political and social circumstances they encountered when leaving Norway to establish a new home in North America, early in the last century. Quotations from their letters, dated from the late 19th century through the Second World War, give a vivid description of their experiences and of the changing society that they encountered through the era. Number 485 Squadron had just been deployed to Ste-Croix-sur-Mer on the Normandy coast on the morning of June 15, 1944, arriving about 10:00 AM. They would be the first complete wing to operate from France in four and a half years. Their aircraft had flown over, strafed and bombed this territory for months. It would take some days before this felt like home. From Ste-Croix-sur-Mer, they would be over enemy territory almost immediately once in the air. German equipment lay scattered on the ground—uniforms, rifles, helmets, gasmasks and hand grenades, soon snaffled as souvenirs. This had been the site of a German headquarters. He found blood splattered through the limbs—probably that of a sniper, they thought, buried in one of the nearby, recently dug graves. There were plenty that looked less than a week old. They heard the artillery all day long. As soon as night came, enemy bombers and aircraft made their appearance, their target the mass of Allied shipping in the channel, which was only one mile north of their base at Ste-Croix. The noise of thousands of anti-aircraft guns in the channel, and periodically, the pilots in their tents felt the earth shake with the impact of falling bombs. The establishment of this base in Normandy was such a momentous occasion in the turning tide of the war that BBC crews arrived to do newsreels and radio interviews for audiences in Britain and North America. Later that day, a "Beetle Tank" entered the airfield area—a remote-controlled small tank, about four or five feet long. The tank was filled with explosives and propelled by an electric motor. It was one of several weapons the Germans had developed secretly and used in to bolster their declining manpower resources. The Canadians were not too impressed. The engineers in the squadron proceeded to fix it up to use as a small vehicle to ride in. Families from the local farms came over to the base to welcome the Canadian airmen, bringing gifts of fruit, flowers and wine. On other sorties, the Spitfires strafed moving vehicles on roadways and other targets, and dive-bombed specific targets such as bridges and railways, in order to cut off enemy supplies and reinforcements. Now I am looking forward to settling down in our own little home somewhere.

3: From Sailing Ships to Spitfires - Story of the Roseland Spitfire

From Sailing Ships to Spitfires would appear to fulfil the desire of travelers I met on my bus tour in Norway who stated, "I would love to learn more about history, but I don't want to read a history book. I want to read a story."

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4: Spitfire (disambiguation) - Wikipedia

From Sailing Ships to Spitfires: The Life and Times of an Immigrant Family, Whose Sons Fought in the Second World War [Shirley Walker] on www.enganchecubano.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers.

5: From Sailing Ships to Spitfires - N/A, Mission, BC | ncom

From Sailing Ships to Spitfires is a history book of immigration from New York to Canada from the late 's the second World War.

6: Spitfire Clipper by Robert Taylor British Sailing Ship | eBay

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7: Centenary of 'Spitfires of the Seas' | TheYachtMarket

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8: USS Spitfire () - Wikipedia

USS Spitfire was a row galley authorized and constructed by Rhode Island during the American Revolution, and was placed in service in During this age of sail, row galleys were highly maneuverable compared to sailing ships whose movements were dependent on the wind.

9: USS Spitfire (gunboat) - Wikipedia

USS Spitfire was an American gundalow that operated as a gunboat in on Lake www.enganchecubano.com was part of Benedict Arnold's small, hastily built fleet of ships whose purpose was to counter any British invasion forces passing through the lake from Canada.

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