

UNITED STATES FLEET
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Navy Yard, New York, N.Y.,
17 July, 1928.

My dear Byrd:

I am enclosing to you a letter from the young eagle who is a kinsman of mine. The letter speaks for itself; I like his spirit. I take the same attitude that he does - that you will give him such consideration as practicable. Naturally I hope that this youngster will be one of the scouts to go with you.

Wishing you all of the best and great success in your undertaking, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

H. A. Wiley
H. A. WILEY,
Admiral, U.S. Navy.

Comdr. Richard E. Byrd, USN.,
Bureau of Aeronautics,
Navy Department,
Washington, D.C.

Troy, Ala
July 9, 1928

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