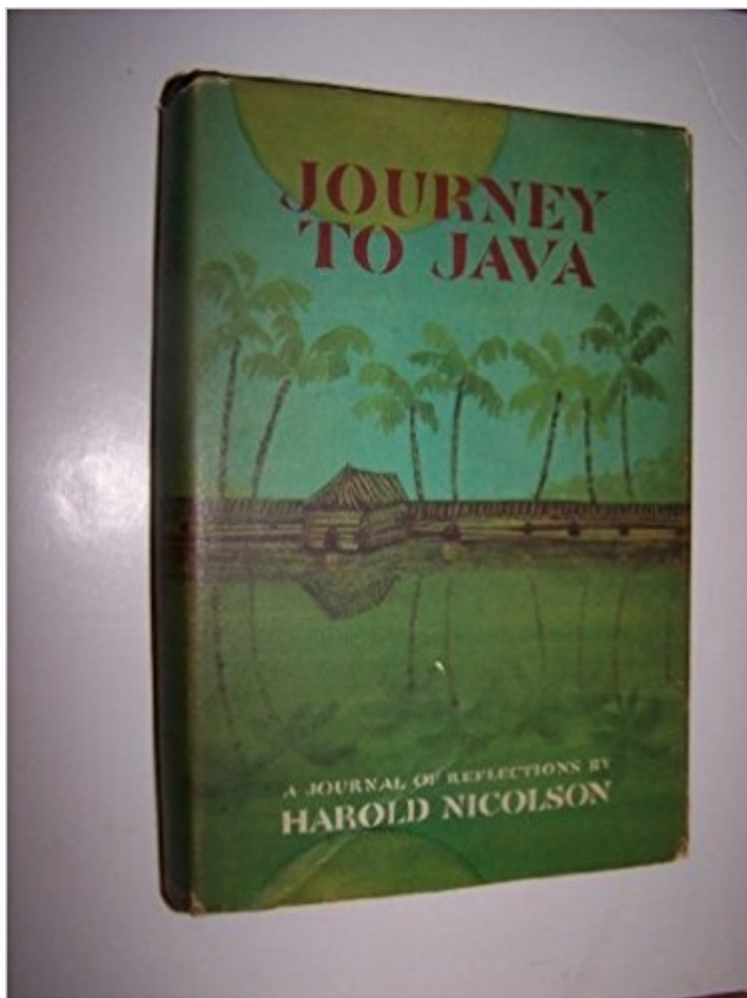# The book was found

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I love most books on voyages and travel, especially to the far flung Pacific, but this is not one of them. Written in the 1950's, it is little more than a travel diary of former diplomat Harold Nicolson and his wife Vita (who is annoyingly identified throughout the whole book by the letter "V"). They travelled by liner from England to Java with short stopovers in the Canaries, Cape Town, and Singapore. You'll learn nothing about these places - the author spent only a day or two at each, and only a week in Java before returning home. We do learn about life on a cruise ship; some of the odd characters he met, plus details of what was eaten at every meal ("luncheon" especially). In between entries is some pseudo-philosophy ramblings about happiness. Just barely worth the $1 it cost me.

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