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Admiral Nakhimov, a historic novella by Igor Lukovskiy, Navy Publishing House, 1951, Moscow.

Small format, 5 ½" x 4 ¼", 143 pp. Paperback. The title page features a hand-written gift inscription reading "From Grateful N. Vorin". Russian text, with Admiral Nakhimov's photo portrait. The genre is defined as historic novella. The novella depicts the last few years of the admiral's heroic career as a naval commander, glorifying his talent, the ultimate respect and love he commanded among his underlings, from senior officers to the last sailor. The novella ends with his tragic death by the enemy's bullet and - a dead giveaway that this book had been ordered by the propaganda department of the Navy or some other branch of the Soviet government - this parting phrase: "Flying in the wind is the flag of the Soviet Navy".

In very good condition. Very minor corner bumps and minuscule rips at the head and tail of the spine, to be expected in a 1951 paperback. The graphics and text are perfectly bright and clear, the paper of the cover shows very mild age toning and faint traces of staining while the textblock shows no age toning or any other damage at all.

Admiral of the Imperial Russian Navy Pavel Stepanovich Nakhimov (1802 - 1855) began his service in the Navy in 1818. From ensign in 1818 to admiral in 1855, Nakhimov was mortally wounded by an enemy bullet in 1855 while in command of the 330-day-long defense of Sevastopol during the Crimean War. The order of Nakhimov was indeed established by the Soviet government in 1944 specially for awarding officers of the Soviet Navy. This probably explains the appearance of this book.

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