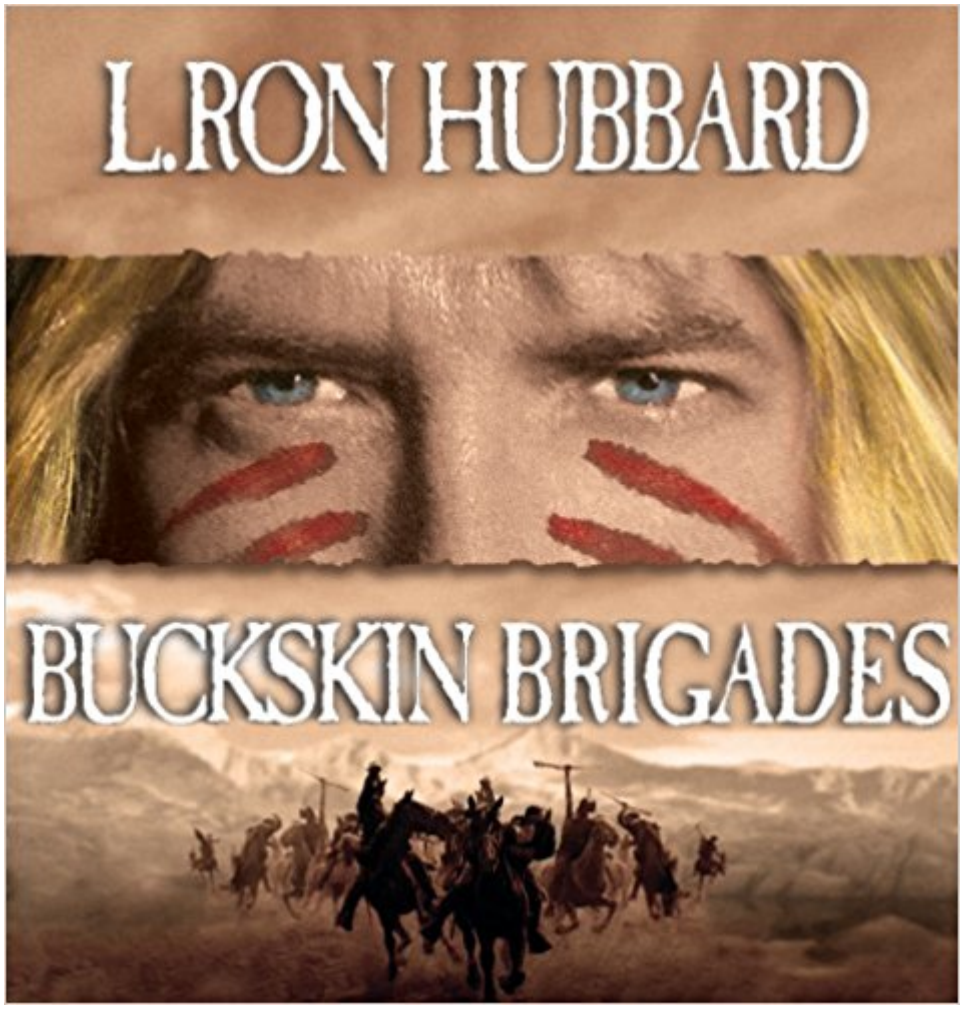
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Buckskin Brigades: An Authentic Adventure Of Native American Blood And Passion



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With 19 New York Times bestsellers and more than 230 million copies of his works in circulation, L. Ron Hubbard is among the most acclaimed and widely read authors of our time. As a leading light of American Pulp Fiction through the 1930s and ’40s, he is further among the most influential authors of the modern age. Indeed, from Ray Bradbury to Stephen King, there is scarcely a master of imaginative tales who has not paid tribute to L. Ron Hubbard.

I have read Buckskin Brigades twice now. I find all of L. Ron Hubbard's fiction works to be extremely entertaining and also filled with lessons and hints about leadership, courage and truth. Buckskin Brigades was inspired by Lewis and Clark's expedition. The author had first hand real life experience with the Blackfoot Indians which makes the story so real and rich with the truth of what actually happened when this part of the world was 'discovered' by the white man. The book is the first and only true portrayal of the high quality and high standards that the Indians practiced and the trust they showed the white man. Also correctly portrayed is the continual betrayal of that trust by the white man and persecution of the Indians as a result. I feel that this book is a tribute to every North American Indian and it needs to be widely read as this time period in our history was a pivotal one and to say the truth, in our history books, the truth is not told at all. The Indians are always made out to be barbarians and heathens and killers and in many ways, the Indians were much more civilized than the white man. Thank God L. Ron Hubbard had the courage and the knowledge to write and publish a book that straightens out this part of our history. I will read this book again . There are so many lessons in it that can act as a guide for young people and give them a goal of behavior to aspire to.

I read this book 4 or 5 times. I enjoy Hubbard's simplicity of tale telling and heroism of the white man raised by a Blackfoot tribe.The complexities entered into the simpler lifestyle of the blackfeet being encroached upon by the commercialism of the fur traders makes a very enjoyable tale.The barbarism was clearly the white man's in this fine tale.It's a good read and a bit more revealing of native life that A.B Guthrie's The Big Sky, though I enjoyed that book as well. It's a different story than this. The era in history is interesting.Mr Hubbard's biographies do mention contact with a Blackfoot as a child and that he spun this yarn off of a journal entry from Lewis and Clark's diaries.L Ron Hubbard does excellent viewpoint shifts between the Blackfeet and white traders and frontiersmen. There is a lovable rugged priest thrown in the character mix (Father Marc) of Yellow Hair's acquaintances and sympathizers in his adventurous journey to regain honor for himself and the Pikuni's (Blackfeet tribe of "spotted robes)" who is a memorable standout character.Yellow Hair at one point has to suffer the indignity of being Jailed and after an outdoor life this is insufferable. And Father Marc inquires of his needs in sign language and Yellow Hair insists on water."Father Marc: 'To Drink?'"Yellow Hair emphatically slapped out, 'No! To Bathe!'..."Father Marc was slightly puzzled as he turned away. He could quite understand why a man wanted water with which to bathe. No Nor'Wester ever bathed and only one priest in the past hundred years had had a

bath--and he died from the effects of it."(page 47 of 193 or 26% on kindle) minor scene picked for flavor to not reveal some writing but not the main adventure.I found that colorful and a curious carry forward in history of medieval plague years superstition and fear of baths. Regardless it very smoothly integrates in the story whether one knows that or not.Super fun historical novel adventure and smooth quick pace reading.

This story was written almost 80 years ago. It was written in an era when racism in American literature was pretty standard fare and totally politically correct, and when the idea of Native Americans as being one-dimensional savages was a stock characterization. The idea that Lewis and Clark were not the great American heroes and explorers that we were told about in grammar school, the idea that a Native American could be noble and honorable and decent, the idea that the white Americans were on the wrong side of the conflict and were actually deceitful, and the idea that the two races could actually live amicably and to their mutual benefit, these were all provocative and avant-garde in pre-WWII America. You need to put this story in that context. That a popular book with these themes was written way back when, and the fact that it was successful, was a literary achievement. It was a very fun read and I admire the author’s ability to take a different view. It is a great story and one every American should read to better understand their history.

Buckskin Brigades is a novel that can be read on at least three levels. It is an exciting adventure story with larger than life characters and fast action. It can be read and enjoyed by anybody 14 or older. Set in the old west (before cowboys) it features Native American Indians, fur traders, and greedy Englishmen, Canadians, French and Americans.On another level it is a close look at different cultures clashing with each other. As the Westerners moved in to North America and assumed that only "savages" lived there (something akin to animals in their view), they took what they wanted. The Native Americans understandably objected. This book takes the viewpoint of the Native Americans and highlights their culture and desires.On the highest level it is a story of a man and a woman who wouldn’t give up. The hero (Yellow Hair) in particular puts aside personal interests and well being and confronts the danger that the Westerners represent to his group. Through intelligence, skill and an indomitable will he learns about the invaders and confronts the force they bring with them.The author says of him: "The impossible was only improbable to Yellow Hair. He was one of those rare beings who never find out, this side of death, that there is such a thing as being whipped by men and destiny."That character is well described in the book, and this, to me, was the most enjoyable and memorable part.

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