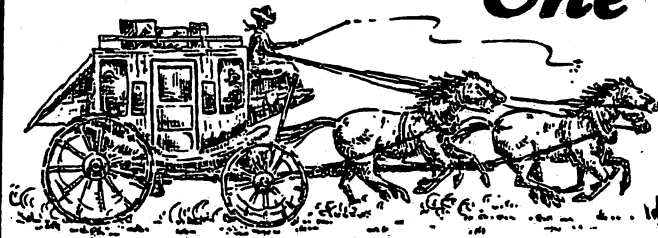


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THE ZANE GREY REVIEW

The favorable comments and kudos for our first issue have made the effort really worth while and so we are going to press once again. Instead of worrying about what you will think of our efforts, we now have a positive feeling that the Zane Grey fans are very supportive and appreciate the efforts spent in trying to keep them informed. With this in mind let's go ahead and have a lot of fun together. If I goof, let me know and I will do my best not to make the same mistake twice.

We are trying several new things with this issue. Our new masthead art work is with the compliments of our Arizona artist, Boyd Steiner. I tried to tell Boyd what I wanted but know I failed miserably and then he comes up with exactly what I wanted but without my communicating it to him. Thanks, Boyd! In addition, the amount of material forced us to change the format to a folded type sheet. This leaves us with the opportunity to make additional single sheets as inserts. We can use these single sheets for additional information, but we can also use this format to start a service to benefit all of our members. I am talking about advertising and giving each member the opportunity to advertise and either buy, sell or swap books or other Zane Grey type material.

In talking to some of our dealer members, I have passed on the idea and perhaps by the time we go to press, we will have our first advertising. For dealers we will be charging \$90.00 for a full page, \$50.00 a half page, and \$30.00 for a quarter page. This may have to be amended as far as price once we are going and we may find we can't do it for this price or perhaps we can do it for less. If this happens, we will adjust. For individual members, we will be running classified type advertising. We will try and run four lines, about 20 words for a fee of \$3.00. As in the above, this may have to be adjusted, but we will learn as we go.

We will endeavor to accept only reliable advertising; however, we cannot be held responsible for advertising claims or misrepresentation of a product. If a misunderstanding does occur we will try to help obtain a fair and equitable settlement of the matter. We also reserve the right to refuse or to discontinue any advertisement. Deadline for December advertising is December 1, 1985.

THE "86" CONVENTION AND AUCTION

The planning for the coming convention in June of 1986 is progressing. Boyd Steiner is laying the groundwork and from present appearances, we will be in Flagstaff this coming June. The dates we are working on are June 9 thru June 12, 1986. If there should be a hitch on dates, we will be trying for the following week of June 16. To have it any earlier would possibly work a hardship on those in the teaching field and those who have young ones in school. I know in our case that if I started for Flagstaff without Zach, that he would be very upset with his grandparents.

In terms of tours, we are thinking of the Grand Canyon and the Sedonia area. Just getting to and from Flagstaff will be a tour in itself for those who haven't been there and yes, even for those of us who have been there more than once. I have had several inquiries concerning the Page, Arizona area, and the Rainbow Bridge, but the logistics of the distance make this a better choice for a future convention. Perhaps some may want to stop there either on the trip out or on the return.

No final plans as far as scheduling have been made yet, but as soon as possible after January 1, this will be done and you will be advised. If the facilities are available, we will be holding a breakfast for all to attend at the convention. In addition, there will be the banquet that I know we have all enjoyed in the past. We are still in the planning stage but want you to plan on the June 9th date unless you are told otherwise. I want to also remind you to start planning for the auction. The part that you need to play on that at this time is to start setting aside items that you know will be wanted. We need to have quality items as much as possible, due to the distance involved in sending them out ahead of the convention and, yes, hauling them back after it is over. No item will be refused, but when you are cramped for space and time, quality pays off. Those of you who won't be able to attend but want to contribute should do so. In addition, if you want to buy, send me your wants and what you are willing to spend and I will represent you fairly. What better way can you be a part of a worth while venture than to take part in this one big fund raising auction that is the lifeblood of this organization? This is the Society's way of helping members purchase the items needed for their collections and at the same time pay the bills....By then we will have our tax exempt status and you will receive a written statement telling you and the IRS what your items brought in the auction!!! We will let you know after the first of the year where to send them so that they can be catalogued and packaged for the auction.

ZANE GREY, A REVIEW

In the Anthology, *The Pocket Book of Western Stories* published in 1945 by Pocket Books, Inc., a short review of Zane Grey was written. In the introduction written by Harry E. Maule was the following comment on Grey.

"Zane Grey, whose astronomic sales have brought forth the gibes of the envious, for all his intolerable overwriting, knew the country and its people and for as long as he was doing his Western stories kept his memories fresh by association. He took long and arduous pack trips in wild and inaccessible country. In campfire talks with his companions or guides, he soaked in his materials."

In this anthology, the story of Grey's that was included was *Tappans Burro*, and although Maule took a slap at Grey, he actually paid him a tremendous compliment. What other author described an event and told in such magnificent detail the beauty and glory of the landscape and all of the surroundings in which the story takes place? When you read any of Grey's "overwriting" you feel as if you were there. After reading Grey for more years than I care to remember, I finally visited the rim country and to my surprise, it was exactly as he described it. Let's review this description from *Tappans Burro*.

"Under him sheered down the ragged and cracked cliffs of the Rim, yellow and gold and gray, full of caves and crevices, ledges for eagles and niches for lions, a thousand feet down to the upward edge of the long green slopes and canyons, and so on down and down into the abyss of forrested ravine and ridge, rolling league on league away to the encompassing barrier of purple mountain ranges."

There is no doubt in your mind that he has described the Mogollon Rim and his beloved Tonto Basin.

It is interesting to note that of all the stories and authors included in the anthology, Grey's *Tappans Burro* still today is a popular and, if not a best seller, a much read book. Pocket Books, Inc., published the book, *Tappans Burro and Other Stories* in paperback in November 1982. From its first publication in 1923 to 1982, a span of 59 years, it has endured. Yes, and in addition, the spirit of Zane Grey has endured with it.

There were other fine stories and authors included with Grey. These included Bret Harte, *The Outcasts of Poker Flats*; Mark Twain, *Buck Fanshaw's Funeral*; Owen Wister, *The Winning of the Biscuit - Shooter*; O. Henry, *Hearts and Crosses*; Stewart Edward White, *A Corner on Horses*; Eugene Manlove Rhodes, *Beyond the Desert* and on and on.....

These are all good stories and will stand through the ages, but in my opinion, our "overwriting" friend is the best of the group. The very reason he is the best is for the reason Maule and other critics criticized him. He wrote from personal experience, he was there, he listened and then he wrote it in such a way that you were there seeing through his eyes, his words carrying you on to the climax and finally a peaceful ending.

Today, Grey's books are still selling and have sold for a total of more than 130 million copies. It is doubtful there will ever be another writer to so capture the hearts and minds of the people of the world. Perhaps the secret to his success was described by Maule, "knew the country and its people."

MEMBERSHIP

In every organization new members are needed. It is impossible for any organization to stand still. You either go up or down. Are we to be the type that stagnates and eventually fades away? We can be or we can apply ourselves and have an organization that perpetuates itself through new members that bring in new members that bring in new members. Let us review some of the necessary steps that we need to take in order to spread the faith.

1. Talk about the Society and let people know what we are doing.
2. Make ourselves available to civic groups and tell them the story.
3. Use the cassettes available to show Zane Grey and some of his activities.
4. Contact local libraries and make up a display of Zane Grey material.
5. Approach church youth leaders on the idea of making a presentation to the group. Take some Zane Grey books with you and possibly show cassettes.
6. Talk to your local paper and tell them the story of Zane Grey and our Society. Furnish them pictures from our conventions to use with the story. If you don't have pictures, contact this office and I will see that you have some.
7. Inform the local book stores that you are a member and leave our membership information sheets and application forms with them and with anyone who will let you. Use yourself as an example and fill a need for those you are talking to.
8. Share with people in detail our past conventions and some of our plans for the 1986 convention at Flagstaff.
9. Help all new members and particularly the student members in acquiring some books to whet their appetites for more.
10. Display samples of our publications and spread the word on new things that are happening in the Zane Grey field. Example: Tell them of Dr. Grey's new book, *Zane Grey, A Photographic Odyssey*. In addition, inform them that the newsletter and other publications will be informing them on how and when to order a book such as this. At the present time, all new members are receiving an order blank to order Dr. Grey's book and also the opportunity to order back issues of our publications.
11. Finally, if help or advice is needed, contact any member of the Board of Directors. All of them are interested in gaining new members and they have a mission to represent you and to help you in any manner pertaining to the Society.

This is a challenge to all of us, but with a little effort and time, it will pay dividends. Anyone who signed up 3 members or more between now and our convention in June, 1986 will be the Society's guest for a breakfast at the convention.

The list below is a list of the new members we have acquired since the 1985 convention. Make it grow.

1. E. Pierce Bruce	Regular Member	LaGrange, GA
2. Merle M. Bruce	Associate Member	LaGrange, GA
3. Marion Cafarella	Regular Member	Verona, NJ
4. Donna J. Case	Regular Member	Redlands, CA
5. Aaron L. Cohen	Regular Member	Scottsdale, AZ
6. Arnold Dhrberg	Regular Member	Evington, VA
7. Renee Ferguson	Regular Member	Tarentum, PA
8. Robert L. Floyd	Regular Member	Pine Mountain, GA
9. Mrs. David Grey	Regular Member	Adams Mills, OH
10. Wayne B. Guimire	Regular Member	AP0, NY
11. Richard Haught	Regular Member	Payson, AZ
12. Winona Haught	Associate Member	Payson, AZ
13. Richard E. Jesse	Regular Member	Monticello, IL
14. Phillip King	Regular Member	Sullivan, IL
15. J.W. Lynes	Regular Member	Plainfield, IA
16. Berniece Mathey	Regular Member	Lakeside, AZ
17. Fred O. Mittendorf	Regular Member	Ralston, NE
18. Richard B. Parry	Regular Member	Lakehurst, NJ
19. Ruth G. Prather	Regular Member	Plantation, FL
20. Rita Schissel	Regular Member	Amesbury, MA
21. Zachary Sparling	Student Member	Decatur, IL
22. Joie Stiles	Associate Member	Sedona, AZ
23. S.T. Watson	Regular Member	Columbia, SC
24. Dorothy J. Warren	Regular Member	Sullivan, IL
25. J.A. Baumhofer	Regular Member	Saint Paul, MN
26. Winston R. Reynolds	Regular Member	Owosso, MI
27. Marie A. Grosshuesch	Regular Member	Key Colony Beach, FL
28. Floyd M. Hunt	Regular Member	Clayton, IN
29. Gene A. Stivers	Regular Member	Klamath Falls, OR

An additional way of acquiring new members might be to push the idea of giving a gift membership to someone for a Christmas or Birthday gift. To help towards our goal of more new members, I am enclosing with this newsletter the membership information sheet and the application form. You can take these and have them copied for use in appealing for members. It would be a good idea to put your name on the application so we will know who to give the credit to for the new member. In addition, for your information as well as the new members, the new membership card will be mailed out with the February newsletter. This card will only be mailed to those members paid up through 1986 and is the final determination of who is a member and who is entitled to a voice and a vote at our annual convention.

HOW ABOUT A ZANE GREY CUSPIDOR?

by
G. M. FARLEY

What would you prefer as a birthday present or under your Christmas tree or something to make you rise up and call your wife or husband blessed?

If you had your choice, would it be a cuspidor, salt box, custard cup, butter jar, bowl, jug, jar, or a parlor cuspidor, all with Zane Grey's name on them? If you chose a jar, you could have 1 gallon, 1½ gallon, 2 gallon, 3 gallon, 4 gallon, 5 gallon, or 6 gallon (covers sold separately). You could have bowls ranging from 4 1/8 inches to 15½ inches, and something called Nappies ranging from 4¼ inches to 9 3/8 inches. That is, you could have had them in 1928. That's when they were manufactured by the A.E. Hull Pottery Company near Zanesville, Ohio.

"The Zane Grey line is being introduced to the trade to meet the growing demand for a lower priced kitchen," The ceramists' "After a year of research and experiments, have devised a body made of refined clays and a glaze of extra soft, glossy texture free from excessive pinholes and crazing to suit this body...Besides these kitchen specialties a line of Food Containers from one-half gallon capacity, including all sizes, to six gallons capacity are made, using the Zane Grey body...."

Photos of the various articles, white with blue bands and stripes give collectors an idea of what to look for. I would suggest two major sources, if you are interested: flea markets that feature serious antique dealers, and antique pottery shops.

I have never seen one of these items, and did not know they existed until talking to Cliff Ford and Bill Close. Both of these men have been doing research, and possibly others. When complete information turns up one of the publications will no doubt feature an article on the subject.

Presumably the name "Zane Grey" would be stamped or engraved on the bottom. All items, as I said, are white with a large blue band running around the outside with two small bands on each side of the large band.

I may go out this afternoon, or tomorrow, and start looking at antique pottery.

THE COLLIER BOOKS

As you will recall, in the last issue I was trying to determine if anyone had some titles in the Collier books besides the ones I had listed. I have had two replies on the question. John F. Roy of Ridgetown, Ontario added the title of *Shadow on the Trail* and Calvin Falen of Atchison, Kansas added *Fighting Caravans*. I did see the title *Wild Horse Mesa* advertised but not having seen it, I will hold off adding it to the list. John and I both find the code letters in the books puzzling. In addition, I have about four different colors. Does anyone know the answer to whether they had different editions, or just what dictated what books were reprinted by Colliers? Here is the list as it now stands. Help!

<i>The Thundering Herd</i>	<i>Thunder Mountain</i>	<i>30,000 on the Hoof</i>
<i>Fighting Caravans</i>	<i>The Trail Driver</i>	<i>Twin Sombreros</i>
<i>Sunset Pass</i>	<i>The Lost Wagon Train</i>	<i>Majesty's Rancho</i>
<i>Robbers Roost</i>	<i>West of the Pecos</i>	<i>Stairs of Sand</i>
<i>The Drift Fence</i>	<i>Raiders of Spanish Peaks</i>	<i>Wilderness Trek</i>
<i>The Hash Knife Outfit</i>	<i>Knights of the Range</i>	<i>Shadow on the Trail</i>
<i>Code of the West</i>	<i>Western Union</i>	

BOOK TITLES

In reading the Zane Grey books, I am sure we have all taken some interest in the difference between the original titles and the title the work has been published under. In fact, several have been published as a book with a different title than what was used in the publishing of them as a magazine serial.

In reviewing a register from Brigham Young University that lists all of the Zane Grey collection they have, the following titles were noted as being different and ones that don't seem to be as well known as others.

ORIGINAL TITLE**SERIAL PUBLICATION****BOOK PUBLICATION**

The Ranger of Forlorn River
The Desert Crucible
Tappan's Burro
Don
The Sheep Herder
Ride the Man Down
The Water Hole

Desert Gold
The Desert Crucible
Tappan's Burro
Don
The Sheep Herder
None
The Water Hole

Desert Gold
The Rainbow Trail
Tappan's Burro and Other Stories
Don-The Story of a Dog
The Shepherd of Guadalupe
Shadow on the Trail
Lost Pueblo

It is interesting to note that although the original title is listed as *The Water Hole* the title at the top of the listing shows *Beckyshebita*. In some future issue perhaps we can list all of the Zane Grey books and their different titles if any.

THE ZANE GREY QUIZ

We found out in a hurry after starting this quiz in the first newsletter that we do have members who read and know the Zane Grey books. The first reply arrived on Monday, August 12 and was followed by five more the next day. I checked out the wagon train schedule from St. Louis west and with winter fast approaching we couldn't send our winner out this fall but he will be the "Trail Foreman" with the first wagons to roll come "The Spring of '86." In addition, he will have six top hands to help "Roll 'Em" west. There were other replies, but these were the "furstest with the mostest." They all correctly identified the book as *Knights of the Range* and the speaker as Brazos Kneene. The fill-ins were Frayne, Skylark, Holly Ripple and Don Valverde. And the winners are

Trail Foreman; Tim Abner, Manchester, Kentucky

Top Hands: Calvin Falen, Atchison, Kansas
 Carol Brown, Arlington, Texas
 Charles Schissel, Amesbury, Massachusetts
 E.L. Pierce, Chandler, Arizona
 Earl Price, Johnstown, Pennsylvania
 Charles Emmons, Welton, Arizona

The rules this month are about the same except you need to identify the speaker, which I didn't tell you before and one person can only win three times. At that time we will have to find a special award for him. Perhaps he will be qualified for a "Wilderness Trek," down under. And now on with the quiz for this month.....

"Yes, _____, it was in the hall," he said, blandly. "_____ came in so packed with bundles that I couldn't see _____ was a grown-up _____."

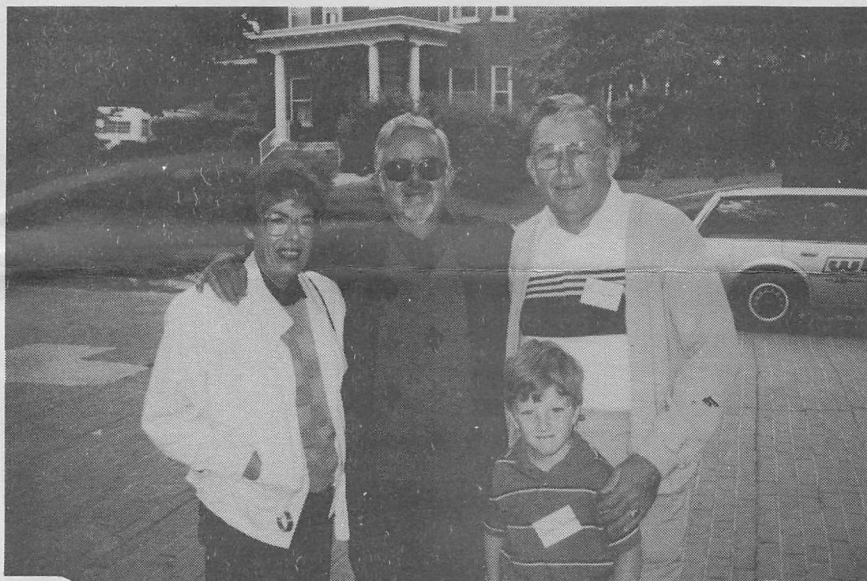
Rush your replies as Tim and his crew need a lot of help come spring.

A VISIT WITH G.M. FARLEY

1. The October issue of Sports Afield was supposed to carry an article about Zane Grey by Zack Taylor with photographs made at the Zane Grey home in Lackawaxen. They didn't, but it would be a good idea to check the next issue or so as I am sure it will show up.
2. Amereon Ltd., has announced publication of an annotated Zane Grey book checklist in the near future.
3. A Canadian publication called Dagoon Lady Press has released a large size (11" x 8½") comic book called Classic of King of the Royal Mounted. The contents are black and white and has a complete story, 37 pages, of King of the Royal Mounted. The address is 200 Queen St. West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5V 1Z2. Or you may find it, as I did, in a used book store.
4. Joe L. Wheeler has an excellent article that every society member should read in the August issue of Signs of the Times, a Seventh Day Adventist publication.
5. After years of wondering, I have discovered that there were 12 titles in the Zane Grey series published about 1926 by McKinlay, Stone S. Mackenzie, New York. It was called the Home-Library Edition.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

We are working with the printer on the C&By-Laws to have them printed up and we will be sending a copy to each paid-up member with the February newsletter. In addition, that is the time we will be sending out membership cards. Now is a wonderful time to pay your 1986 dues.....



Dr. Loren Grey and his wife, Bonnie,
in Zanesville, Ohio. With them is
Don Warren and Grandson, Zachery Sparling.



The Board of Directors of the Zane Grey's West Society:
From left to right, Paulson, Iowa; Vickers, Maryland;
Schissel, Massachusetts; DeYoung, Illinois; Warren, Illinois;
Ford, Georgia; Hafner, Maryland; Farley, Maryland & Wheeler, California.

NEW PAPERBACK, 1ST EDITION

Acting on a tip from Gilbert DeYoung and also Richard Jesse, one of our new members, I went down to the local drugstore and purchased the latest Zane Grey book in paperback. It is *The Ranger and Other Stories* and it states on the cover that it is the first time in paperback. It contains the following stories: The Ranger, Canyon Walls, Avalanche, and From Missouri.

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

It is hard to believe that winter is just around the corner here in central Illinois. We have had a beautiful fall and from the looks of the fields a bountiful harvest. Although I don't look forward to winter, we spent some time in Scottsdale last January and will be back in Phoenix starting on December 30 until January 13. We will then wander down through southern Arizona and head for home. Being a rural mail carrier, I still have to show up for work once in a while. Three weeks away from the winter back here makes it a much shorter cold spell.

Although we will be on vacation, I am making myself available to any member that has a problem or just wants to visit. Our address while there will be: Royal Suites Motel
10421 N. 33rd Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85021
Phone (602) 942-1000

In addition while there I will be meeting with Boyd Steiner and making a trip to Flagstaff to finalize some of the convention planning, both as to site and scheduling. If any of you have any ideas for our convention, let me hear from you, either before I leave or after I arrive in Phoenix.

As you have probably guessed by now, this column is my way of talking about everything, many things that are not earthshaking, but trying to keep you informed. The newsletter is a joint effort between my wife, Dorothy, better known as Dot, and myself. I am not sure who is in charge, but after 35 years together, who cares. Perhaps I should tell you a little about us. At the present time, I am a Rural Mail Carrier here in Sullivan and have been since 1956. I have also been a grain farmer, a hog farmer, fed beef cattle and in my spare time served 25 years in the military. In addition to this, I served for 10 years on the state board of the Illinois Rural Letter Carriers Association. Dot in the meantime served on the auxiliary board and finished up as State President for two years. All of these things were joint ventures and in addition we found time to have four children and now have four grandchildren. We feel blessed with what God has allowed us to do and as the book has closed on some of the things we used to do have become more active in the church. We both enjoy the Zane Grey Society and feel we want to contribute what we can to make it a growing viable organization. In addition, it fits into our way of life. We have never belonged to any organization that would conflict with our beliefs and we have never belonged to any organization that so blends in with the way we think and believe as the ZGWS.

I will be with you again in December.....