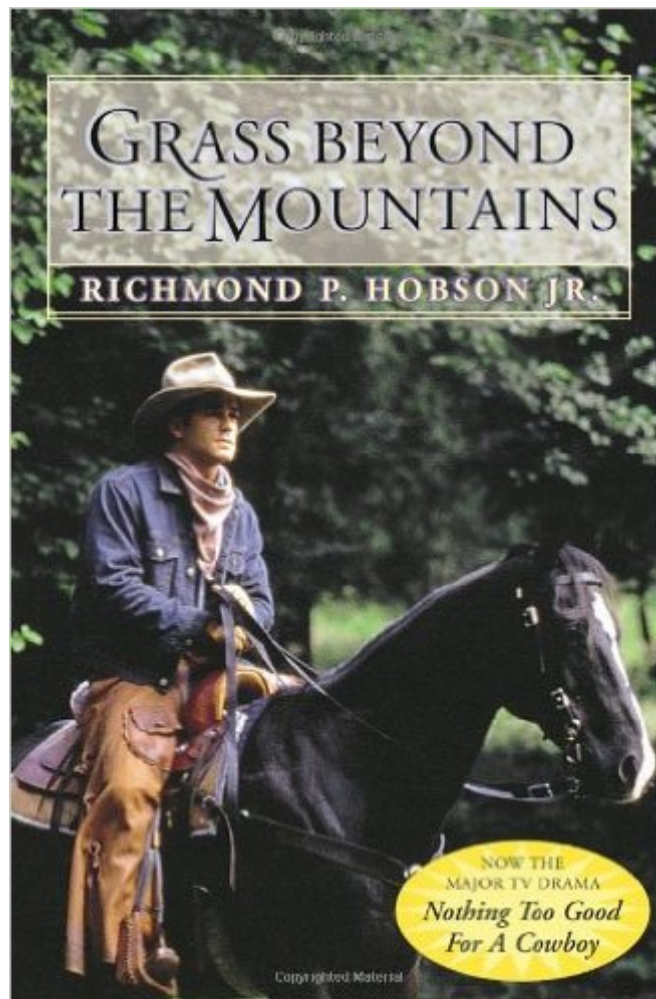


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Grass Beyond The Mountains: Discovering The Last Great Cattle Frontier On The North American Continent (Canadian Nature Classics)



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The first in a trilogy, *Grass Beyond the Mountains* is a story of discovery and endurance on North America's western frontier by three good old-fashioned cowboys. With laconic cowboy humor and the ease of a born writer, Richmond Hobson describes the life-and-death escapades, the funny and tragic incidents peopled with extraordinary frontier characters, in a true adventure that surpasses the most thrilling Wild West fiction. In the fall of 1934, three cowhands with a dream of owning a cattle ranch made their way from peaceful Wyoming to the harsh, uncharted territory of the British Columbian interior. In conditions as challenging as any encountered by the western frontier pioneers of a hundred years earlier, the three men and their equipment-laden horses conquered the tortuous miles over narrow passes and mountain summits, hewed their first cabin from virgin timber, and attempted to carve out a space for themselves on the unforgiving landscape. Gritty, fun, and endlessly entertaining, Hobson's story is sure to entertain country- and city-dwellers alike.

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I can hardly contain my excitement and rein in my enthusiasm to reasonable levels when it comes to wanting to tell everyone about Richmond P. Hobson Jr's book *Grass Beyond the Mountains*. This reads like a historic novel, but it is all an actual, personal account of Hobson and his partner Panhandle (Top Hand) Phillips' white knuckle adventures - much lived on the edge of death - in the wild-west wilderness of northern British Columbia to fulfill their dream of building one of the largest

cattle empires in the world! There has always been a part of what or who I am that has always dreamed of being a cowboy. These roots go back to when I strapped on my cap-pistol six-shooter and played Cowboys and Indians, and reached to Wyoming, at the foot of the Big Horn Mountains where I was privileged to participate in a real-life cattle round up and drive, ending in the branding and castration, which is much dirtier and dustier and dangerous than is depicted on the big screen, believe me! I have slept out under the stars in Utah with our horse picketed near-by. But nothing, nothing buried deep inside me, I do believe, would have ever enabled me to endure the hardships, facing Grizzlies, preparing for attacks from dozens of the notorious black wolves, whose existence is disbelieved by, probably the majority of the population. Wolves as big as a black bear with weights surpassing 225 pounds and which can leap 15 feet in two feet of snow to bring down a bull moose! I have lived in 47 below zero weather in Montana, but not out in the wilderness on horseback riding in pitch blackness all night around a herd of cattle. The real life adventures of these two men, in my estimation, surpass the courageous and daring accomplishments of most human beings! These were men! Real men!

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