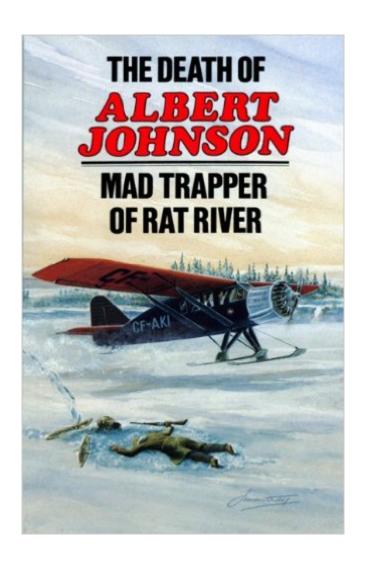
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The Death Of Albert Johnson: Mad Trapper Of Rat River





Synopsis

Albert Johnson was a loner, a deadly shot, who in 1932 triggered a gruelling manhunt that has become an Arctic legend. For over six weeks, amid blizzards and numbing cold, he eluded a posse of trappers, First Nations and RCMP, who for the very first time used a two-way radio and an airplane in their search. Johnson was involved in four shoot-outs, killing one policeman and gravely wounding two other men before being shot to death. Over a half-century later, an intriguing mystery remains: Who was Albert Johnson?

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Customer Reviews

This is an interesting book. The film is a good one but not only takes dramatic license for the sake of a good story but drastically changes actual history, making a villain out of the man who flew the plane for the Mounties and a sympathetic character out of Albert Johnson, a man who deserves no sympathy and about whom there is little real doubt about his guilt. Reality is pretty much as exciting as the film version and this is a great book for anyone interested in Canadian history, particularly this remote area.

Mad Trapper of Rat River; isn't that a great name. I loved it. I have been fascinated by this story since seeing the movie Death Hunt. When I found this book I had to have it. Movies are great but are usually Hollywooded up. Books, with a good writer can put you right there. It was great to read about the conditions and landscape of the area. The desperation of Albert Johnson to escape, his pursuers to capture their prey and the cat and mouse games played are chronicled ably by the

author. A very good read.

Great book, very interesting story about a deadly fugitive who outsmarted the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and enjoyed making fools out of them, other trappers and indians helping the posse that was pursuing him, but one fateful mistake in the end cost him his life, luckily for the RCMP and the others chasing him, Albert Johnson enjoyed circling back behind them and leaving clues sending in the wrong direction several times, if Albert Johnson was determined to loose them and start over somewhere else instead of toying with the people chasing after him, this story would have had a very different ending and the RCMP would have never been able to get their man, and would not be able to say that they always get their man.

Had it not been an uncle that had lived in the area and could remember the events during the time I would not have been so engaged with this read. Is it a must read? No, but to see how it was true to life and what he did is cause to read

when you start this book it is slow. but it really gets going at warp speed. the ending is awesome.

In the movie about this story Charles Bronson was a good guy and a caractor in the movie was the vilan in the film. The book was the true story of the events. Is an exciting book to read. couldn't put it down. If you like action books, this a must have.

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