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- * John Colter, who, in 1808, naked and without weapons or food, escaped captivity by the Blackfeet and ran and walked 250 miles to Fort Lisa at the mouth of the Yellowstone River;
- * Kit Carson, who ran away from home at age 17, became a legendary mountain man in his 20s and served as scout and guide for John C. Fremont's westward explorations of the 1840s;
- * Jedediah Smith, a tall, gaunt, Bible-reading New Yorker whose trapping expeditions ranged from the Rockies to California and who was killed by Comanches on the Cimarron in 1831.

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Editorial Review

Review

Praise for *Give Your Heart to the Hawks*: "It was an epic time, which lasted hardly more than a third of a century before civilization swarmed west on trails the mountain men had blazed. Now Blevins sees they are paid the awed honor that is due them, in a book which has the drama and suspense of a novel."—*Los Angeles Times*

"No one since the great A. B. Guthrie, Jr., has a better feel for the world of the mountain man."—Don Coldsmith

"For the lover of the early West, it is good entertainment... with lots of color, suspense and excitement."—*The Denver Post*

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About the Author

In his later life, Winfred Blevins has authored over 14 books, 4 movies, and innumerable articles. In his "earlier life, he has earned graduate degrees in English, American Literature, and Music Criticism, has worked as a college professor, then principal music critic, theater critic, and movie critic for the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner. He says, "We are seeing, being created right now, a new western for a new, young, hip audience. Its heroes aren't cowboys and soldiers, but Indians, mountain men, women, blacks, Hispanics, Mormons, and all the other westerners who were shoved aside in the first myth. It's more complex, more interesting, more fully human than the old myth. It deals less with taming the country and more with living it. A lot of researching, thinking, dreaming, and story-telling will be needed to bring this myth into its own. I'm lucky to be one of the story-tellers doing it."

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