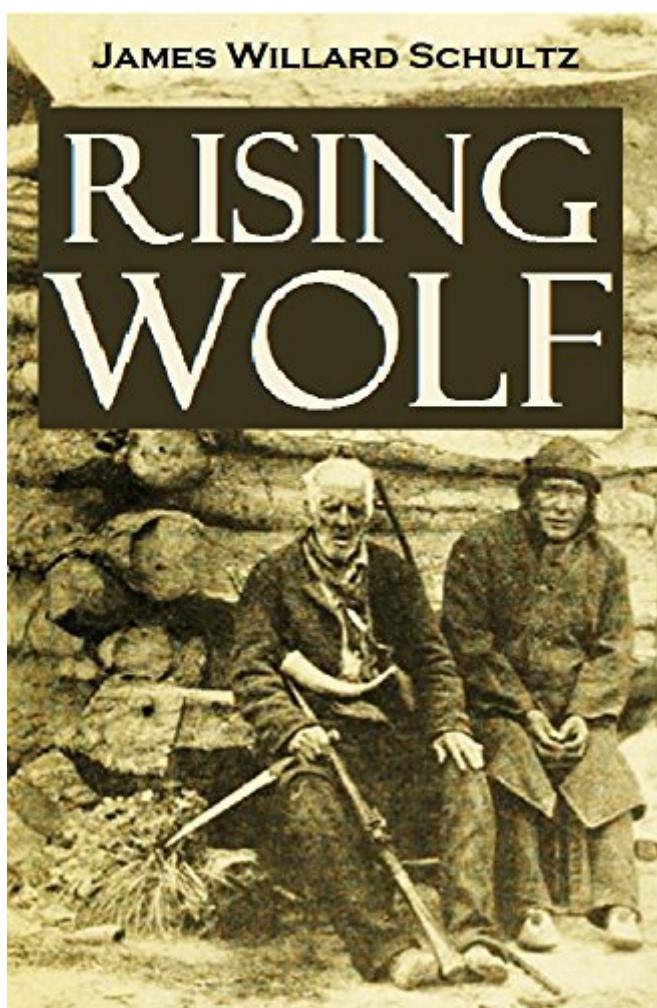


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# Rising Wolf, The White Blackfoot: Hugh Monroe's Story Of His First Year On The Plains (1919)



## Synopsis

J. W. Schultz (1859–1947) was an author, explorer, and historian known for his historical writings of the Blackfoot Indians in the late 1800s, when he lived among them as a fur trader. In 1907, Schultz published *My Life as an Indian*, the first of many future writings about the Blackfeet that he would produce over the next thirty years. Schultz lived in Browning, Montana. "Rising Wolf" is by the Plains veteran, J. W. Shultz, and is "real stuff," vivid and exciting, with the value that comes from firsthand knowledge. In all his fine Indian stories the author nowhere has produced a more interesting narrative than this. In it he tells the true story of Hugh Monroe, who came to the Blackfoot country when he was 16. He took part in buffalo hunts, accompanied war parties, saw parts of the United States no white man had ever seen before and helped make peace between the Crows and Blackfeet. "Rising Wolf" is to be highly recommended. This Indian story is a true one—which is so different. The author says that he was intimately acquainted with Hugh Monroe, or Rising Wolf, and that this story of his first experiences upon the Saskatchewan-Missouri River plains is put down just as it was told to him by the lodge fires of long ago. Rising Wolf was a white man among the Blackfoot Indians, and, as the author says, he had more adventures than most of the early men in the West. He died at ninety-eight and his body lies in Two Medicine Valley, "in full sight of that great sky-piercing height of red rock on the north side of Two Medicine Lake, which we named Rising Wolf Mountain." The book is sure to engage the undivertable attention of those whose appetite for real adventure is never wholly satisfied. In his famous book "*My Life as an Indian*", Schultz describes Rising Wolf as "Early Hudson Bay man, typical trapper, trader, and interpreter of the romantic days of the early fur-trading period." "Rising Wolf" is a thrilling account of life among the Indians in the early part of the last century, by a white boy who "went West" in those early days and was adopted into the Blackfeet tribe. A stirring story for those who love true stories of guns, buffaloes, Indians, and combats with wild beasts and wild men. Contents I. With the Hudson's Bay Company II. The Sun-Glass III. Hunting with Red Crow IV. A Fight with the River People V. Buffalo Hunting VI. Camping on Arrow River VII. The Crows attack the Blackfeet VIII. In the Yellow River Country IX. The Coming of Cold Maker X. Making Peace with the Crows

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An excellent story most fitting for any that have interest in the history of the west from the time when euro-americans first met with the original americans and all who enjoy real first person accounts of life on the plains and mountians living with the native americans.

Wow and wow again. This is a fantastic book that almost reads like a modern novel of adventure and suspense as a 16 year old white boy, Hugh Monroe is chosen to leave his Canadian home and travel to the home of the Blackfeet. While with them he is involved in fights with the Crows and hunts buffalo. He is given a new name by the Blackfeet which is Rising Wolf. His orders are to look over the land for other traders and for the availability of beavers. He not only successfully determines that beavers are abundant but that the land is teeming with game of all types. After being with the Blackfeet for some time he is struck by the deep grief of the women and children of the men slain in battle. He asks the chiefs for permission to speak to them about making peace with the Crows. There is serious resistance from some who have lost brothers and husbands and sisters and their children to being killed by the Crows. He is told he will have to speak to those in opposition. This 16 year old boy does that but you will have to read the book to learn what happens then. I promise you will not be disappointed.

I've read quite a few of James Willard Schultz's books and I like them for what they are. Interesting

accounts of actual events that have to be taken with a grain of salt. Fun reading but not exactly hard history. If you're a fan of the genre you'll enjoy this one.

The storyteller has a knack for a good narrative and the ability to help the reader see very clearly what he saw as it was happening . I am searching for more about Hugh Monroe, Rising Wolf.

I would write a more thorough review but it's confusing to do so without repeating myself. Suffice to say that it makes one want to live in those times. The Indian culture was fascinating and their friendship was to be greatly appreciated by anyone.

See Montana the Great Plains and Rocky Mountains in their pristine condition through the eyes and adventures of a young Canadian working for the Hudson Bay Co. Great.

Really good reading from a man who live with Indians for a year. Some vivid stories of adventure. Recommend this if you like Pioneer type stories.

This was well written story. Adventure and action with a very real sense. I really enjoyed this book!! Great read

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