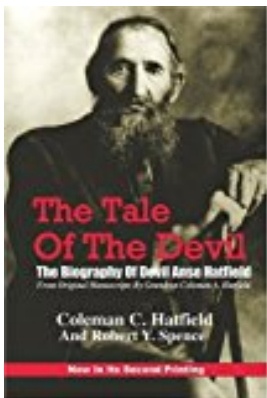


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Description:

Review This collaborative effort of Coleman C. Hatfield and Robert Y. Spence, The Tale Of The Devil, is the factual biography of Devil Anse Hatfield, and the role he played in the infamous and brutal Hatfield and McCoy feud. Coleman Hatfield is Devil Anse Hatfield's direct descendant and

brings a special and personal expertise to this project. The Tale Of The Devil candidly examines this figure's early life, the origins of the Hatfield and McCoy feud, its brutal toll, denouement, and ultimate conclusion -- as well as the impact it has had on subsequent generations of Hatfields and McCoy's. A profound, sometimes dark, yet often insightful life story, The Tale Of The Devil is a very highly recommended addition to American History and Biography collections. --Midwest Book Review

LOGAN, W.VA. - There is exciting news for all lovers of local folklore and American history alike. The fascinating tale of the life of one of West Virginia's most colorful figures, the patriarch of the famed feuding Hatfields, is available to the public. The Tale of the Devil is the story of the legendary Devil Anse Hatfield, beginning with his childhood in frontier Appalachia, describing his Civil War days as a Confederate soldier, painting a richly detailed background into just who this man was and from where he came. Then it gives a captivating and enlightening bird's-eye view of the Hatfield-McCoy feud, the killings, and the post-feud years when the shooting subsided. Because this manuscript gleams much of its information from grandson Coleman A. Hatfield's exhaustive manuscripts, journals, and audiotapes, which were compiled and collected over a lifetime, the story is fresh and entertaining to read and offers additional insider information, which has never before been published. Finally, the book features an index, bibliography, endnotes, and thirty pages of photographs many rare, including one particular photo of Devil Anse never before published, taken when he was about 35-years-old. The authors have sorted through the fables and exaggerations, studied Hatfield family accounts and documented history, and created a noteworthy biography. The story of Anderson Hatfield is appropriately told through a direct descendant. Likewise, the co-author, Robert Spence, is a resident of Logan County, and distantly related to Devil Anse, as well. --The Logan Banner, Logan, WV

As you've most certainly heard, a truce was signed on June 14th, 2003 at the Hatfield & McCoy Festival at Pikeville, KY, that received worldwide attention. As the ink was drying on the symbolic document, which announced the end to Appalachia's most infamous and violent family upheaval, the great-grandson of Anderson Devil Anse Hatfield, released additional evidence and historical facts surrounding the notorious family fuss. There is excitement around the Mountain State, and across the nation, among lovers of Appalachian folklore and American history alike. This long-awaited hardbound volume about the fascinating life of one of West Virginia's most colorful figures, Anderson Devil Anse Hatfield, the patriarch of the famed feuding Hatfield family, is the first of its kind. Because this manuscript gleams much of its information from Dr. Hatfield's father, C.A. Hatfield, and his exhaustive manuscripts, journals, and audiotapes, which were compiled and collected over a lifetime, the story is fresh and entertaining to read and offers insider info, which has never before been published. The book features an index, bibliography, endnotes, and thirty pages of rare family photographs. As surprising as it might sound, there has never been a biography of Anderson Devil Anse Hatfield. We believe this is an important scholarly offering for history bookshelves, being that it is authored by the grandson and great-grandson of Devil Anse Hatfield. If you enjoy American history, it just doesn't get any better than this title, The Tale of the Devil. --Williamson Daily News, Williamson, WV

About the Author Coleman C. Hatfield was raised on stories of Devil Anse Hatfield and the Hatfield and McCoy feud. From the time he was four or five years old, he heard about Anse wrestling bears and ancestors battling panthers empty-handed. And while books have been written about the Hatfield-McCoy feud in the past, no author has attempted a definitive biography of Devil Anse Hatfield, considered to be the leader of the Logan County clan. Writers have instead focused on the feud itself, zeroing in on the few outbursts of violence and gunfire that flared up several times in the 1880s, but just as quickly burned themselves out. Most of the books that have been written are a bit sensational, said Coleman C. Hatfield. Coleman C. Hatfield, great-grandson of Devil Anse, wanted to

set the record straight with this work. He wanted to publish information about the Hatfields while there were still descendants around who had credible information about the feud. He didn't have far to look. Much of the information included in *The Tale of the Devil* is culled from the manuscripts of Coleman C. Hatfield's father, who spent his life researching family history. C.A. Hatfield, Coleman's father, was born in 1889, the last year of the feud. C.A. Hatfield was the son of Cap Hatfield, a feud participant and one of the most feared and respected of the Devil's sons. Around 1909, C.A. Hatfield began recording family history. The respected attorney, who died in 1970, spent the rest of his life interviewing family members and recording conversations with relatives about the feud and the family. Much of his information came from Anse and Cap Hatfield themselves. It is all included, in addition to Dr. Hatfield's own research.

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