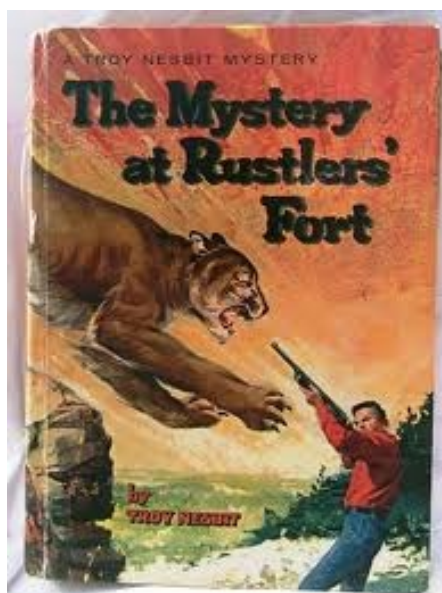




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An original Whitman Classics from the 1950's by author Troy Nesbit (aka: Frank Folsom). THE MYSTERY AT RUSTLER'S FORT is one in a series of children's mystery books. In this edition, the protagonist is Phil McKenney who finds adventure and mystery while on a camping trip with his family in the Southwest of Arizona near the Grand Canyon. While in the campground, Phil discovers that other people have found uranium using geiger counters near the Vermilion Cliffs near the Colorado River. As Phil's family draws closer to their destination at Rustler's Fort, a strange mystery begins to emerge. Have they come too far to escape safely with their lives? Those familiar with Whitman's glossy cover and great original retro prints will no doubt appreciate this beautiful children's item from the past.

The Mystery at Rustlers' Fort Details

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Olivia says

This was a little bit better than the usual Whitman book. The location was nice and I really liked the character Phil. The dad who is known as Chief is a jerk. Honestly if you make your kids call you chief, then you're a douche. It was super annoying when there was evidence of an intruder at their campsite. The boys tent had been halfway tore down and there were boot prints. The dad talked down to them saying it was a deer and when they say what about the foot prints he says they're not to talk about it anymore. He made the boys Phil and Buzz do all the work and was always "exploding" and he wouldn't even let Phil spend \$4 out of his summer allowance of \$20 his parents gave him for a little geiger counter. Phil's not even his son, he's his nephew so that was super controlling.

Hannah says

Wooo doggie, I sure did love these cellophane-cover-wrapped *Whitman Publishing* books written during the 1950's and 60's. This particular book belonged to my older brother, and while I'd be willing to bet the farm he never cracked it open, I'm sure I read it enough times for both of us.

Packed with adventure, danger, and natural and historical observations, the books written by the prolific and multi-nom-de-plumed Nesbit were always page turners, always entertaining, and always wish-fulfillment fodder for the Eastern-bred safety of my youth. Nesbit's boy and girl characters had exciting adventures, supportive parents who trusted them with adult experiences, and lived in or traveled to places of scenic natural beauty. What's not to love?

And re-visiting them again after a long hiatus, I enjoyed seeing the black, white and aqua illustrations peppered throughout the story, with their clean cut depictions of 1950's life at it's finest: buzz cuts, hair flips, twirl skirts, and "dungarees".

Good kitsch, fun re-read.

2012 personal reading challenge for the month of January:
Childhood favorites that influenced my subsequent reading life

Adult Equivalent:

Track of the Cat by Nevada Barr

Keturah Lamb says

Best mystery series ever.
