

## **Prodigal of the Pecos**

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Here it is, another masterful work from the pen of Charles Edmonson. I think I have said it before and I'll say it again, "this is not just another cowboy story of the Wild West." In this second novel of the Pecos series, "Prodigal of the Pecos" Charles tells the story of a man summoned home to find the murderer of his brother. He arrived home to find a town and people that are terrorized by a wealthy land baron, Montgomery Fitzgerald.

Montgomery was not a man to be taken lightly, if he didn't get what he wanted, a man could wind up dead; and usually did. He was brought in from the east by a group of wealthy men that wanted to corral off the free range of the Pecos. Along with that, they were stealing other rancher's cattle and driving people off their own land. Their plan was working fine till Clint Cooper arrived on the scene.

Clint was a fine young man that worked as a Marshall in another town. He hadn't been home in years when he received word that his brother was killed. Clint quit his job immediately and came home to the chaos and death that was once his home.

With stark, raw reality, and such descriptive verbiage that is used to tell the tale, you will not put this book down. You will want to close the cover because the horror seems so real, but your eyes will remain glued to the page. I gave it my highest A+ rating and tell all that it is an enjoyable read.