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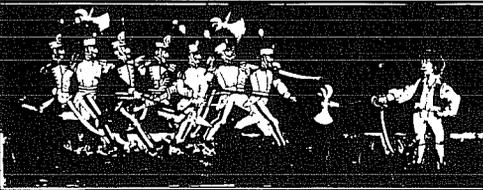
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In Memoriam: Roderick Haig-Brown



On Saturday, October 9, 1976, Roderick Haig-Brown -- one of the world's best writers about nature and a member of *CCL*'s editorial board--died in hospital in his home town of Campbell River, B. C. Details of Mr. Haig-Brown's life and work were published in a previous issue of *CCL* (see *CCL* #2, pages 8-22). However, it should be noted here that he was a man with many facets: an outdoorsman, an army officer, a judge, a conservationist, a university chancellor, and an author. In this last capacity, his nearly 25 books included *Saltwater Summer*, *Starbuck Valley Winter*, *The Whale People*, *Ki-yu (Panther)*, *A Primer of Fly Fishing*, and *The Salmon*; among his many honours were the Canadian Association of Children's Librarians Book-of-the-Year Award in 1947 and in 1964, and the Governor-General's Citation in 1948.

But Roderick Haig-Brown was more than printed words on a page. He was a warm, robust person who had an abiding interest in outdoor life and wanted to bring it closer to people--especially children. In *CCL*'s early days, he sent us a cheque for \$100.00 with a note saying how much he liked the magazine: We were very pleased and encouraged. And, only this past May, he and I talked at length in Vancouver about Canadian animal stories, conservation, children, and related topics: in all, he was just, warm-hearted, and perceptive in his comments.

But now he is dead, and Canada is a poorer place for his passing. Those who knew him will remember him in their hearts. For those who did not, his books will provide his best memorial.

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