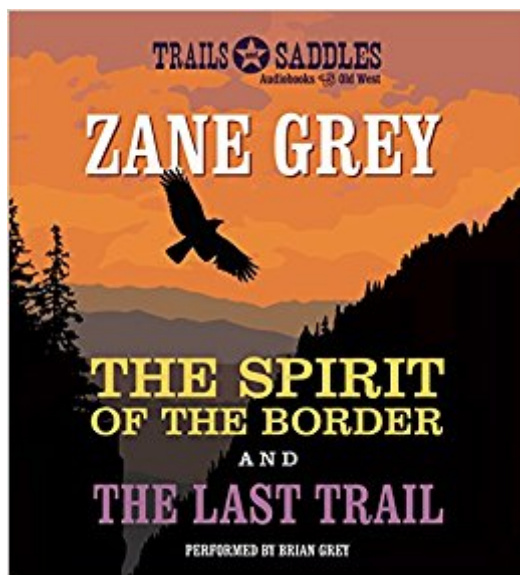


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# The Spirit Of The Border And The Last Trail



## Synopsis

From the legendary writer of the West: two complete novels in one edition  
**The Spirit of the Border** He was known as Deathwind to the Ohio Valley Indians, and now Lewis Wetzel must single-handedly save Fort Henry. Armed only with his long rifle and knife, he heads out on a one-man rampage to stop the bloody border wars, to face down Chief Wingenund, and to avenge the brutal missionary massacre at Village of Peace.  
**The Last Trail** A woman is kidnapped from Fort Henry by a band of renegades and hostile Ohio Valley Indians. Now, Lewis Wetzel and Jonathan Zane take pursuit. With no hope of survival, they follow the trail into the unknown wilderness, vowing it to be their last venture. At trail's end, they will face their bloodiest battle.

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Pearl Zane Grey (1872 – 1939) was an American author best known for his popular adventure novels and stories that presented an idealized image of the American frontier. *Riders of the Purple Sage* (1912) was his bestselling book. In addition to the success of his printed works, they later had second lives and continuing influence when adapted as films and television productions. As of 2012, 112 films, two television episodes, and a television series, *Dick Powell's Zane Grey Theater*, had been made that were based loosely on his novels and short stories.

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These two novels make up the final two-thirds of what is known as The Ohio Valley Trilogy. Along with the book, *Betty Zane*, the first novel Zane Grey ever wrote, these are some of the earliest of Zane Grey's writings and show the beginnings of his greatness which was to bloom in his "westerns" such as *The Heritage of the Desert* and *Riders of the Purple Sage*. At the time of these stories this was the "western" frontier of the nation and the area in which Zane Grey grew up, so he had intimate knowledge of the area. Historically accurate as to the characters involved, except for the lead hero and heroine, who were from his imagination, these books are great history about a time and a place few people know about--the years leading up to and just after the American Revolution, and how these early pioneers lived, the conditions they faced, the outlaws they encountered, and the Indians who either made life miserable or who could become your greatest ally in survival. The chapters dealing with the Moravian missionaries and the settlement the Indians called the Village of Peace and its destruction are worth the price of the book all by themselves. Zane Grey was writing about his ancestors and the part they played in the American Revolution, and the establishment of the frontier. *The Last Trail* focuses on Jonathan Zane and Lew Wetzel both "border men" who either lived with the Indians, or as in Wetzel's case fervently hated the red man. But without the likes of either there was no way the frontier could be made safe for the influx of settlers. As I said, this is the country where Zane Grey grew up, fished, and tramped through the woods learning the woodcraft and skill to know of which things he wrote with unsurpassed accuracy, and it shows in his books. Romanticized, to be sure, yet accurate to a T in history, this book makes for a great read for anyone who wants to learn more about this country in its earliest of days. I recommend it without hesitation.

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