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This is the 2nd Ballantine printing.

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Sequel to *The War Chief*

From inside cover of Ballantine first edition:

Shoz-Dijiji, the Black Bear... a white man who believed himself to be a full blooded Apache, and who had dedicated his life to a feud against the treacherous "white eyes" who had invaded his country and destroyed his family...

To the pony soldiers and to white travellers he became known as the Apache Devil, a pitiless scourge who swept in, killed, took his vengeance, and slipped away without a trace. Thus Shoz-Dijiji, the adopted son of Geronimo, was honored in his tribe.

And even among his sworn enemies there were those who called him just, and a friend. One of these was a woman--who loved Sho-Dijiji. But she was white--an impossible obstacle to the racial pride of an Apache warrior.

So Sho-Dijiji continued to live his life of hate and loyalty and love, of running fights, of massacre and torture; until at last even the tribe of Geronimo signed a peace treaty with the white men--and Sho-Dijiji learned that the woman he loved had been stolen by renegade white outlaws. Then Sho-Dijiji hunted as he had never hunted before.

Apache Devil Details

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Kevin Lucia says

Saw this at my locale used book store, had to pick it up. Hope it won't be too stereotypical, but regardless, should be a fun read...

Jeff J. says

A satisfying sequel to The War Chief.

Jonathan Stevens says

This is the second novel of the "Apache" series, a Western and historical fiction which includes a very sympathetic biography of the life of Geronimo. The novel's fictional hero is a white orphaned adoptee into the Apaches. The story combines Burroughs usual adventure tale with historical fact, romance, heartbreaking tragedy, and a powerful statement of the evil of racial bigotry. I think every Burroughs fan should read the "Apache" series.

Tim Hill says

This is the sequel to the war chief. Excellent story. OP

Rose says

This book surprised me.

I rather expected the Apaches to be "the bad guys" given the time this was written. Instead, the author really focused on the massive injustices done to the Native people, and puts Geronimo in a sympathetic light.

"The Apaches have done far less to us than we have to them. They only kill and torture us, we take everything from them. They don't value their life and comfort above everything else like we do. We take what is most important to them, they take from us what is of little value to them."

Interesting and unlooked for point of view.

The story, as is usual with Burroughs, is fast paced and intriguing, the characters sharply defined and true to life, if perhaps a little over dramatized.

The only thing I disliked about it was the continual reference to the Native paganism. Not something I really wanted to know about.

Rob Roy says

A sequel to The War Chief, Shoz-Dijiji, the Black Bear, has lost his love, Ish-kay-nay, to death, killed his mortal enemy, Juh, the Apache, and does not understand his attraction to the white woman, Wichita Billings, he takes up the warpath as the Apache Devil.

Timothy Boyd says

Part 2 of a set Burroughs wrote on Indians. Great fast paced action. Recommended

Ailish says

ERB's sad account of the demise of the Apache. Marred by a painful heroine called 'Wichita', and an uneasy ending.

Ronald says

read some time in 1985

Kevin Lucia says

Only okay. Pretty leaden prose, honestly.

J.p. Jones says

Perhaps more famous for his science fiction masterpieces, Edgar Rice Burroughs proves himself adept at capturing a poignant passage of human history. Using an accurate timeline he weaves a love story through the epic and heartrending attempts of the Apache to cling to their traditional way of life.

Originally published in the early part of the twentieth century, the romantic element may be too traditional for some but this allows for the bulk of the story to concentrate on the struggle between two very different cultures.

An easy, enjoyable read that follows the final war trails of Geronimo and his diminishing band of warriors as the wild west was finally tamed.

Michael Sigler says

A great weatern pulp story, just not as good as the book that preceded it.
