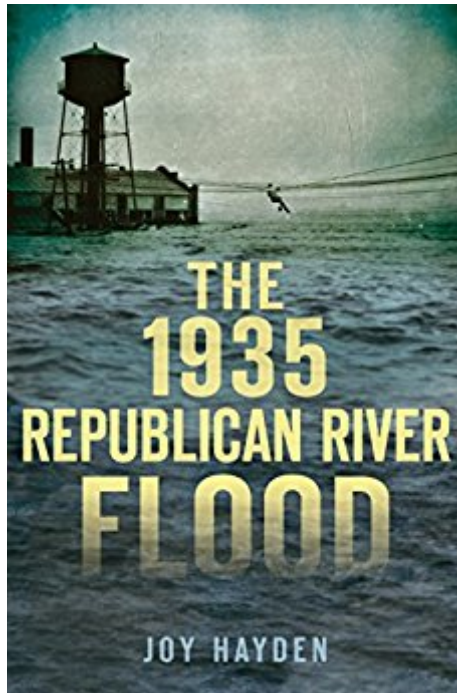




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On May 31, 1935, a storm system surged along the Republican River, bursting its banks in a matter of minutes with a roar that could be heard miles away. The greatest flood to hit the tri-state area of Colorado, Kansas and Nebraska, it left behind a landscape rearranged beyond recognition and claimed more than one hundred casualties. However, amid all the destruction and sorrow, amazing acts of heroism and unwavering courage were reported throughout the valley. Author Joy Hayden reveals the historic disaster and the steadfast resolve of those who witnessed it.

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Customer Reviews

I used to live in the Republican River valley and heard a few comments about the flood from those who had relatives who remembered it. This book was great in telling many more details. I like how the book's content followed the flow of the flood from eastern Colorado to eastern portions of Kansas. The book has a "storytelling" feel to it rather than something academic. I like that. Good use of emotion and detail - neither dominates the other. If I have to be picky, I grew tired of the constant phrase "completely destroyed." I thought destroyed meant destroyed 100 percent. Using

completely wasn't necessary. The flood is fascinating as it happened in a part of the country that is considered a dry climate and the weather pattern that caused the flood is extremely rare. That's the fascinating part of the book. Sure, the river has had high water levels since, but nothing like what caused the flood. I wonder if it could ever happen again? Good history lesson in this book!

The book was well researched, the style was clear and concise and the book was condensed into a lot of information in 150 pages. Photos added to the devastation of the flood. I learned a lot of new information of which I was unaware. I believe a great amount of research went into writing this book. Ms. Hayden did a superb job of recreating the devastation, destruction and despair of the hardy people who inhabited the Republican River Valley. This is a must read for all of the people of Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas. It would also be a great read for anyone who enjoys history.

This is an amazing story. The book arrived in a timely manner.

Great history of an area where I grew up south of Idalia, Colorado. I found the information thorough and plentiful. I highly recommend this read to anyone interested in this fascinating account of the great flood of 1935. I grew up hearing the legend, and it was refreshing to fill in the blanks with this historical account.

Great book if you live in the area. I went to the book signing and got the author to sign it and listened to her talk. My family said it was so interesting I had to order 2 more books

Great read for such a tragic event -- well researched and written. An important document of local history filled with tragedy and heroism. Would recommend to anyone.

This is a very interesting and well-researched book. It starts a bit slow by talking about the topography of the land at the time, but it picks up quickly. An interesting account of a little-known disaster.

my mother was a child during this flood. She was carried as the group walked to higher ground.

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