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Book Note

***Droving with Ben Taylor: Up and down the Canning Stock Route in 1946* by Len Hill. Hesperian Press, Carlisle (WA), 2009. Soft cover, 224 pages, images, maps, ISBN 978-0-85905-472-0, RRP \$33.**

When boss drover Ben Taylor offered 18-year-old Len Hill a place on a team taking brumbies and camels up the Canning Stock Route, and then bringing cattle back down, Len jumped at the chance. His diary of the trip provides an interesting account of the droving, and it comments on some of the stations around Halls Creek as well as those further south. The book, which is indexed, also contains some verse.

Len Hill is a retired Kimberley pastoralist. In one of the book's three appendices, he offers his analysis of Shoemith and Thomson losing their lives on the CSR.

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