Reading and activities for A. S. Mercer, *The Banditti of the Plains*. In this unit, for purposes of discussion, you will be required to prepare one or two significant questions for each day’s reading and topic.

1) **Reading for March 2**: Foreword and Introduction, pp. xiii-16. Pisani lecture on political and economic context of Johnson County War.

2) **Reading for March 7**: pp. 17-52. Kershen lecture on “range rights” and “the commons.”

3) **Reading for March 9**: pp. 149-195. Discussion of the purposes of history and the nature of “meta-narratives.”

4) **Reading for March 21**: pp. 107-148. Discussion of what motivated Mercer’s account and why he wrote it.

5) **Reading for March 23**: pp. 53-106. Discussion of the movie *Shane* and comparison of film and Mercer narrative.

6) **Reading for March 28**: None. Presentation of papers, Addington-Littleton.