

Paul Bunyan

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ARMOR CLASS:

MOVE:

HIT POINTS:

NO. OF ATTACKS:

DAMAGE/ATTACK:

SPECIAL ATTACKS: Nil

SPECIAL DEFENSES: Nil

MAGIC RESISTANCE: Standard

SIZE:

ALIGNMENT:

WORSHIPER'S ALIGNMENT:

SYMBOL:

PLANE:

CLERIC/DRUID:

FIGHTER:

MAGIC-USER/ILLUSIONIST:

THIEF/ASSASSIN:

MONK/BARD:

PSIONIC ABILITY: Nil

Attack/Defense Modes: Nil/nil

S:

I:

W:

D:

C:

Ch:

LEVEL/X.P. VALUE: (determine)



My first encounter with James Lewicki's art was in *The World We Live In*, the best natural history book ever written *inserts bias*. His work was primarily eerie seascapes in that series, but this prolific and talented artist did a lot of art for LIFE Magazine during the 50s and 60s.

His greatest contribution to LIFE is the American Folklore series, which he initiated. According to Lewicki's [biography told here](#):

It was while working on Christmas legends that a neighbor commented to Jim that the United States really had no strong tradition of folklore and cultural heritage. Jim went to the library to see if this was so, and found volumes to the contrary. He proposed the theme of folklore to Life magazine, and they asked for a dummy presentation of 12 pages. Jim found it impossible to condense it all down to one article, so he suggested a series, and much to his surprise the editors agreed. This assignment lasted for five years.

The end result is the gorgeous LIFE Treasury of American Folklore, a collection of American folktales all illustrated by Lewicki. They include travelers' accounts, Native American

legends, colonial stories, northern and southern folklore, tall tales, and the like. The book is, of course, a product of its time, but a lot of it is still as effective today. This post is an appreciation of Lewicki's work on the book.

Some of the stories in the book would be familiar to most readers. This includes Paul Bunyan, seen above and below.

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