
The first edition of Professor Meany's History of Washington was published in 1909. For fifteen years it has served as a school and college text at the same time maintaining its prestige as the only good one volume history of the State for the general reader. Although twice reprinted it has been entirely out of stock for several years and it is a pleasure to announce that a new and revised edition is now ready.

A comparison of the two editions shows a few changes in the spelling of proper names, a few other minor corrections and a few instances of the substitution of new material for old. On the whole the amount of revision is slight. The new material includes an “Outline” and “Topics and Essays”, Roman pages xiii-xv; a new chapter, “Chapter XXXII. Evidences of Recent Progress”; and four appendix tables, revised and brought to date. The new chapter gives a summary of fifteen years' development. It covers political changes, industrial progress, and social and economic development including Washington's participation in the World War. The map at page 284 shows the new counties and county seats.

The reappearance in the market of this useful volume calls attention once more to our good fortune in having a satisfactory state history. Few states can boast a volume equally compact, well written, well illustrated, and reliable. Professor Meany has given proof that a single volume can serve both student and general reader. His History of the State of Washington is an absorbing narrative, accurate as to facts and sound in interpretation. Numerous footnote citations moreover add greatly to its value as a reference book and contribute to make it one of the few indispensable volumes relating to the history of the Pacific Northwest.

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Here are given life sketches of fourteen men, who, in the opinion of Mr. Forbes, are “making the West.” Included in this list are bankers, manufacturers, transportation men, ranchers, miners, millers; and in each sketch there is recorded a story of a marvelous climb from a small beginning to a position of affluence. Citizens of Washington will be especially interested in the life