

has been revised. Tourists will quickly sense the book's value and librarians will need to supplement their older editions with this newest one on account of the valuable revisions.

Men of Champoeq. By CAROLINE C. DOBBS. (Portland, Oregon: Metropolitan Press, 1932. Pp. 218. \$1.50.)

In tune with the recent wave of interest in the biographies of early settlers in the Oregon Country, Mrs. Dobbs has here collected what she could find about fifty-two of those who participated in the founding of the Provisional Government of Oregon at Champoeq in 1843. These are the ones she says who voted "yes" at that critical time. She has followed such historians as George H. Himes in compiling that affirmative list.

It should be noted that others, like J. Neilson Barry, are disputing the correctness of the list and it may yet be shown that others, now listed as opposed, deserve inclusion in the list of those who favored the Provisional Government.

All of these biographies collected by Mrs. Dobbs are interesting. In view of the present visit of the historic old frigate *Constitution*, it is appropriate to single out of the list William Johnson, known as "Old Ironsides," because he served on that craft in the famous victory over the *Guerriere* and cherished a picture of the battle in his pioneer cabin. He is credited with having built the first cabin in the present City of Portland.

Vigilant search by the author failed to secure all the vital statistics but a calculation of what she did find shows the average age of the men on arrival in Oregon was 30.4 years and the average at death was 73.5 years.

An addendum says the author is the wife of John F. Dobbs, President of Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon.

History and Romance of the San Juan Islands. By SOPHIE WALSH. (Anacortes: American Press, 1932. Pp. 24. \$1.00.)

The author of this modest booklet, which is well worth saving, acknowledges help from many and closes her foreword thus: "I thank you all, and hope you will like this little glimpse enough to encourage someone to write a real history."

Seattle Public Library, Forty-Second Annual Report. (Seattle, Public Library, 1932. Pp. 8.)

In one sense this tiny pamphlet is the most pathetic public document received in years. Retrenchments on account of the depression