

the grades. The book was published but a few months before the death of Mr. Kaler, the well known author of "Toby Tyler" and other stories for boys.

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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT, 1912, OF THE AMERICAN SCENIC AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION SOCIETY. (Albany, N. Y., The Argus Company, Printers, 1912. Pp. 668.)

This is a report to the Legislature of the State of New York and is devoted mostly to activities of the Society within that State. There are some features of the book, however, of interest to the Pacific Northwest. Pages 255 to 264 are devoted to the National Parks and Monuments with a list brought up to date. Two of the largest in America are within the State of Washington—Mount Rainier National Park, 207,360 acres, and Mount Olympus National Monument, 608,640 acres. Pages 421 to 432 are devoted to The Transcontinental Trails. There is a map and illustrations of this work, including the old Oregon Trail. The article on Stadiums, Ancient and Modern, mentions the great stadium of the Tacoma High School (page 418), and there are two full-page illustrations, one showing Old Woman's Gulch before the stadium was built and the other shows the folk dances at the time of dedicating the completed work.

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PERSONAL EXPERIENCES ON THE OREGON TRAIL SIXTY YEARS AGO. By Ezra Meeker. (Seattle, The Author, 1912. Pp. 150. 30 cents.)

Under a new title, Mr. Meeker has reissued in cheaper form "The Ox Team," first published in 1906. Considerable change has been made in the arrangement, but apparently no new material has been added.

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INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION. (Washington, Government Printing Office, 1913. Pp. 11; 20; 128.)

These are three pamphlets containing the Opinion, Minority Opinions, and Hearings and Arguments in the matter of the application of the Rainy River Improvement Company for approval of plans for a dam at Kettle Falls. The same Commission has issued other pamphlets giving rules of procedure and reports on the Livingstone Channel in the Detroit River. The Kettle Falls case refers to the State of Washington. The hearing was held under the Treaty between the United States and Great Brit-