

erable author replied: "It is a *cultus potlatch*, as the Indians say, as it is not for sale. I only had three hundred copies published and I have given them away to the preachers and to some of my old time friends."

The author was born in Portland, Oregon, on March 5, 1848. His people were of frontier stock and he, himself, maintained the standard of courage so characteristic of that stalwart breed. His story of boyhood memories, of his struggle for an education and his travels as a young Methodist preacher is not only a narrative of gripping interest but it teems with incidents and descriptions of real historic value.

Mr. McNemee has correctly judged that his book will be of greatest interest to preachers but what reader in King County would not relish this comment on its history: "When I took charge of the Squak Mission, September 18, 1885, we had in Seattle two preachers, Rev. John N. Denison of First Church, and Rev. L. A. Banks of the Battery Street Church. Reverend John Flinn had White River circuit and my appointment included nearly all the rest of King County down to the Snohomish County line. It took me three weeks to go around this Circuit afoot, as there were scarcely any roads, only a sled road or a pack trail and often only a blazed trail, sometimes not even that to follow. Often when going down the Snoqualmie River Bottoms I have followed the bear trails in preference to crawling through the brush and over the logs, for this country, so rich now, was then almost a wilderness."

The last page of the book is a tabulation of sums raised for the building or repairing of churches and parsonages. The sums seem relatively modest in each case, but the fifteen communities were small ones and the work involved was undoubtedly out of all proportion to the money raised.

Mr. McNemee, in retirement, is living in a little home at Langley, Washington, where his book was dated August 1, 1924.

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*The Mountaineer*. Edited by THE EDITORIAL BOARD. (Seattle: The Mountaineers, Incorporated, 1924. Pp. 91. Seventy-five cents.)

*Mazama*. Edited by MERLE W. MANLY. (Portland: The Mazamas, 1924. Pp. 112. \$1.00.)

For a long time it has been an annual privilege to call attention to these valuable publications in the January issues of this

*Quarterly*. Each organization issues a monthly which at the end of the year takes the form of a large and beautifully illustrated magazine. As would naturally be expected, each of these magazines carries the financial and statistical reports for the year, a list of members and reviews of recent mountaineering books. Heretofore, the special articles have been devoted almost entirely to descriptions of the places visited and the mountains climbed during the year then current.

*The Mountaineer* for 1924 has made a distinct departure from the former practice. The number is dedicated "To the Members of the Third Mount Everest Expedition" and the beautiful greeting (in facsimile) is from Lieutenant-Colonel E. F. Norton, leader of that world-famous expedition. The leading article, "The Himalayas as a Climbing Field" is by Colonel H. Appleton, late of the Royal Engineers of Great Britain. Stephen T. Mather, Director of the National Park Service, writes on "America's National Parks." Another official contribution is by Owen A. Tomlinson, Superintendent of Mount Rainier National Park, on "Development of Our National Parks." Major E. S. Ingraham tells the story of "The Ascent of Mount St. Elias" by the Prince, Luigi of Savoy, Duke of the Abruzzi, of whose party in 1897 Major Ingraham was a member. Such articles have a world-wide interest and value. The other articles have intense interest but they are more local in their appeal and deal largely with mountaineering activities around Mount Rainier.

The articles in *The Mazama* deal largely with Mount Adams to which the club devoted its 1924 outing. There are also articles showing researches in the field and in literature about mountains, glaciers and mountaineering.

The editors of each of these publications have set a high standard of excellence for their successors to follow.

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*Chinook by the Sea*. By LEWIS R. WILLIAMS. (Ridgefield, Washington: The Author, 1924. Pp. 136. \$2.00.)

Chinook is one of the best known Indian words in the Pacific Northwest. The warm breeze that melts the snows of winter is called "Chinook Wind"; the greatest fish of the Columbia River is the "Chinook Salmon"; the trade language among Northwestern Indians is the "Chinook Jargon"; and one of the most historic settlements on the Columbia River, near its mouth is Chinook. It is a record of the village that the author has put into book form.