

*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.

Perhaps the chapter headings will serve to show the plan of the work: "Discovery of the Columbia River," "The Coming of Lewis and Clark," "The Coming of the Astor Party," "The Battle of Wappalooche," "Settlers of the 40's," "The Events of the 50's," "In the 60's," "Events and Happenings of the 80's," "A Review of the 90's."

When the book appeared, the *Portland Oregonian*, on November 9, 1924, gave it a very favorable editorial beginning: "Local communities—and there are many in the old Oregon country—which are rich in historical associations will be stimulated by being reminded that inspiring memories are not exclusively the property of the so-called older civilizations. The annals of the Northwest are replete with instances among which the neglected history of Southwestern Washington furnishes a number of noteworthy examples. Hitherto ignored by historians, yet the scene of many a memorable occurrence, the counties of Pacific, Wahkiakum, Cowlitz and Clarke constitute a field for study unrivaled, we think, by a good many which owe an adventitious celebrity solely to the circumstance that they have been painstakingly tilled."

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*The National Park Service.* By STEPHEN T. MATHER, Director. (Washington: Government Printing Office, 1924. Pp. 165. Twenty-five cents.)

The eighth annual report, like its predecessors, gives the record of the travel season for the current year as well as many suggestions for improvements. Director Mather's report on the Mount Rainier National Park occupies pages 45 to 48. The report of Major O. A. Tomlinson, Superintendent of the Mount Rainier National Park occupies pages 114 to 118. He suggests a number of needed improvements. His compilation of statistics shows that in the travel year of 1924 the park was visited by totals of 38,351 cars and 161,473 people. Of these, 57,055 people were from Seattle and 32,474 from Tacoma. A total of 31,509 cars and 128,335 people are credited to the State of Washington.

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*Little Pioneers of the Fir-Tree Country.* By MABEL G. CLELAND. (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1924. Pp. 124. \$1.50.)

Here are twelve more pioneer stories delightfully written for children by Mrs. Cleland. Young readers in the Pacific Northwest have rejoiced over her stories for a number of years. Young folks throughout the country will now share in that joy through the assistance of the great firm of publishers in Boston.