

An Outline of the History of the Pacific Northwest with Special References to Washington. By CEYLON S. KINGSTON and J. ORIN OLIPHANT. (Cheney, Washington: State Normal School, 1926. Pp. 101. \$1.00.)

The volume here presented is the outgrowth of a course in Northwest History which has been conducted for several years at the State Normal School, Cheney, Washington. It is similar in spirit and purpose to the *Northwestern History Syllabus* contributed to this *Quarterly* by Professor Meany in issues extending from April, 1912, to October, 1916, and the *List of References on the History of the West* published by Professor Turner for the use of students in Harvard University. Each of these syllabi have been issued primarily for school purposes and each has a value for all students of the subject and for librarians and book collectors.

The present *Outline* goes into greater detail of topics and bibliography for the state of Washington than either of the previous publications and has the advantage of being more recent. In addition to the standard books most accessible to students, references are made to numerous articles in periodicals, particularly the *Washington Historical Quarterly* and the *Quarterly* of the Oregon Historical Society.

The number of pages indicated above does not give a correct idea of the amount of material offered in this volume as the outline is printed in very small type and the bibliographical notes are almost microscopic. Had the authors employed type of the size used in this *Quarterly*, the volume would have exceeded three hundred pages. The compactness and low price will appeal to the students for whom the work was primarily prepared. As an important library reference book of permanent value, a larger and more legible type would have justified a larger price.

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Eskimo Legends. By ROY J. SNELL. (Boston: Little, Brown, and Company, 1925. Pp. 203. \$0.80.)

These *Eskimo Legends* are presented as supplementary reading for schools. As stories of the Far North they are suitable for children in the upper grades. Doubtless they will prove of value also to students of the native folk lore of the North.