

*Samuel F. Coombs*

The Checklist of *Pacific Northwest Americana* enters by title the following work, item 961: *Dictionary of the Chinook Jargon as Spoken on Puget Sound*. . . . (Seattle: Lowman, n.d.). Evidence points to Samuel F. Coombs as the author and users of the Checklist may revise their copies accordingly. J. C. Pilling in his *Bibliography of the Chinookan Languages* enters the title under "S. F. Coones." G. C. Shaw in his *Chinook Jargon and how to use it* enters under "Coomes." The date of publication was 1891.

Mr. Samuel F. Coombs was the first librarian of the University of Washington Library, having been elected to that position by the first Board of Regents of the University at their first meeting on November 11, 1862. He was something of a student of Indian languages and customs and furnished the information regarding Chief Seattle which appears in Costello's *The Siwash*.

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*A Union List of Special Collections*

At the Seventeenth Conference of the Pacific Northwest Library Association held at Big Four, Washington, June 14-17, the Committee on Pacific Northwest Bibliography was authorized to publish a list of *Special Collections in the Libraries of the Pacific Northwest*. Such a publication will be of value to students in pointing out the location of special book collections within the Pacific Northwest. It will aid librarians in administering to best advantage the funds at their disposal.

As compared with the older and richer libraries of the East, the holdings of special collections will doubtless be small. Such a stock taking, however, as is proposed, will have great significance for the future. By cooperation needless duplication will be avoided and by parcelling out the field and limiting purchases to well defined channels the bibliographical resources of the Pacific Northwest can be increased to a maximum.