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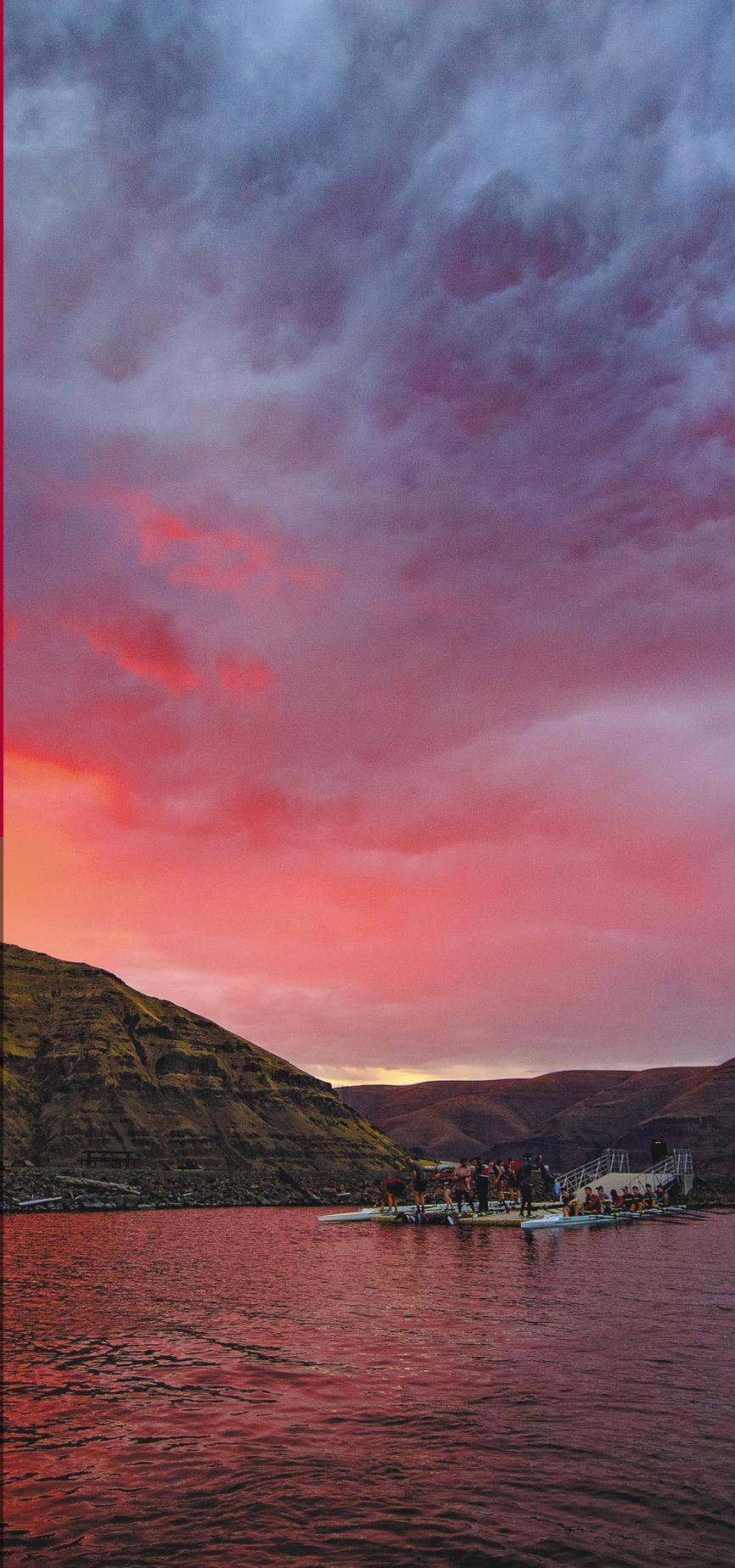
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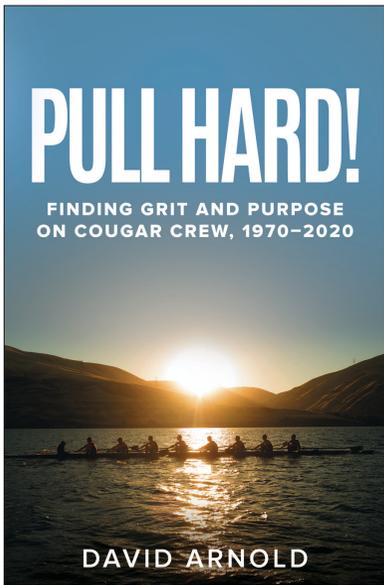
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## Pull Hard!

*Finding Grit and Purpose on Cougar Crew, 1970-2020*

David Arnold

*"Look at what you guys have started...come back here in fifty years and you won't believe what this has grown into."—legendary Husky rowing coach Dick Erickson in 1973, to Cougar rowers after a disappointing season of losses*

Half a century ago, Washington State University (WSU) civil engineering student Rich Stager watched Olympic rowers compete on television. Captivated, he decided to see if there would be any interest in the sport on campus. Sixty-three students and three potential advisors attended the inaugural meeting and founded the WSU Rowing Club.

With help from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and WSU architecture students, the fledgling organization completed a boathouse in the spring of 1971. University of Washington coach Dick Erickson donated two well-worn practice shells, the *101* and the *Winlock W. Miller*. Few in the club had ever rowed, but they held their first race, pitting lower classmen against upper classmen, on April 22, 1972. A women's squad followed in 1974.

The only varsity club on campus, Cougar Crew became a scrappy, tightly knit, intensely dedicated group. Enamored by

the sheer grit of the physical challenges, the strong camaraderie, and the thrilling sensation of perfectly synchronized strokes, they continued to squeeze into vehicles and rattle through miles of wheat fields to the Snake River. For many, the experience was transformative.

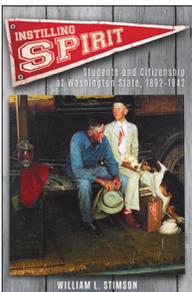
Athletics provided no funds, so the crew held an endless crusade of fundraisers—running car washes, selling buttons, and cleaning up after sporting events—while coaches agreed to work for a pittance, if they were paid at all. They also faced tragedies—including a heartbreaking fatal car crash and a savage windstorm that destroyed their first boathouse. Still, the team soon reveled in Pac-10 and national championships, 1979 Pac-10 Coach of the Year, and two former rowers who won Olympic Gold. Told by former WSU oarsman **David Arnold**, this is the captivating story of their first fifty years.

*"I cannot imagine my life without having rowed crew at Washington State."—David Arnold*

### On the cover:

Cougar Crew eight-man shells finish their training runs at sunset in Snake River Canyon. Photo credit: Shelly Hanks, WSU Photo Services

### Also of Interest



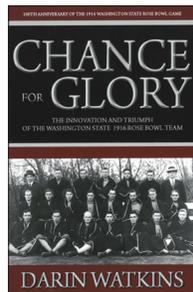
#### Instilling Spirit

*Students and Citizenship at Washington State, 1892-1942*

William L. Stimson

ISBN 978-0-87422-334-7

Paperback • \$22.95



#### Chance for Glory

*The Innovation and Triumph of the Washington State 1916 Rose Bowl Team*

Darin Watkins

Aviva Publishing

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Hardbound • \$29.95

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# Seattle's Streetcar Era

*An Illustrated History, 1884–1941*

Michael Bergman

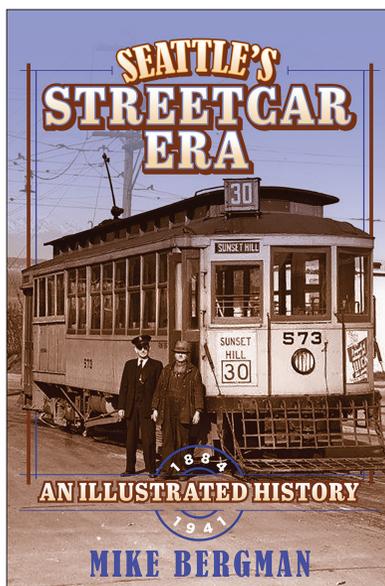
Seattle's population was growing rapidly during the 1880s, but steep hills and shorelines impeded residential development, pushing expansion northward and creating a long, narrow corridor ideal for a public transportation route. Frank Osgood arrived from Boston in 1883, recognized the potential, and opened Seattle's first street railway the following year, operating from Pioneer Square north on Second Avenue to Pike Street. The tiny streetcars were pulled by horses.

Motivated by potential increases in real estate values, by 1896 thirteen private companies ran streetcar lines in the Emerald City. Horse-drawn streetcars were gone, replaced by electric trolleys and cable cars. But many of the lines were cheaply built or spaced too close together, and small, independent companies lacked economies of scale. Consolidation began, and the Seattle Electric Company acquired almost all of the independent street railways. The firm started a massive improvement and expansion program, and by 1910, ridership totaled 103 million annual passengers—a number equivalent to every Seattleite boarding a streetcar 435 times that year.

Following voter approval, Seattle became one of the country's first large cities with a publicly-owned transit system. The new Seattle Municipal Street Railway took over operations in April 1919, initially adding new bus routes and extending some existing streetcar lines. But a huge debt load, declining ridership, and the Great Depression caused severe financial troubles and maintenance issues. By 1938, Seattle and San Francisco were the nation's only cities still operating cable cars. Over the next three years, Seattle converted its entire transit system to trolley coaches and motor buses.

Utilizing narrative, maps, and many previously unpublished photographs, author **Mike Bergman** offers a detailed jaunt through Seattle's fascinating streetcar era. Bergman worked as a transit planner for King County Metro and Sound Transit for more than 35 years. He is president of the National Railway Historical Society's Tacoma Chapter, and has contributed to railroad journals as well as the *Seattle Times*' "Now & Then" column.

*"The research was impressive...the comprehensive history of every streetcar line, along with the photos, sets Seattle's Streetcar Era apart from other books on Seattle transit."*—Bob Wodnik, author of *Back on Track* and *Captured Honor*

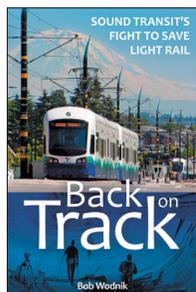


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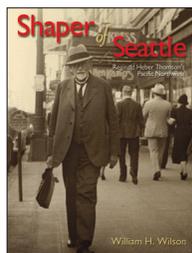
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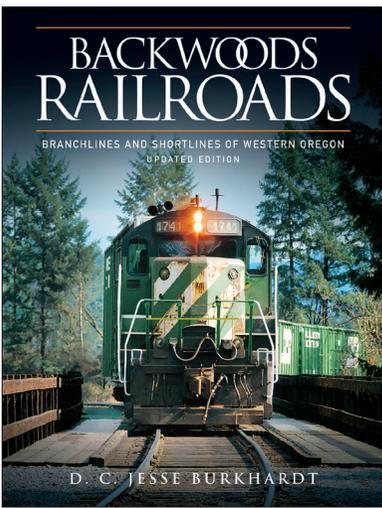
## Also of Interest



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*Sound Transit's Fight to Save Light Rail*  
Bob Wodnik  
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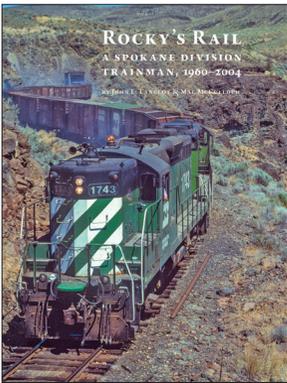
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and agricultural products, and by providing an outlet for logging operations in the foothills and mountains.

**D. C. Jesse Burkhardt** retired in 2017 after a 23-year career as editor, reporter, and photographer for four different community newspapers in the Northwest. Over the years, he has published several photojournalistic books on railroad history and operations. *Backwoods Railroads* was his first book.

## NEW DISTRIBUTED TITLE



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## Backwoods Railroads [Revised Ed.]

*Branchlines & Shortlines of Western Oregon*

D. C. Jesse Burkhardt

Today, a freight train rolling over a rural feeder track on its way to or from a western Oregon railroad town is almost an anachronism. Routes may host only one train a day, or two trains a week, but still provide an economic lifeline for a number of businesses. These evolving branchlines and shortlines are taken out of service, sold or leased to new owners, and sometimes abandoned. Many are endangered, and once gone will be gone forever.

Originally published in 1994, and now updated with new content and additional images, *Backwoods Railroads* is an engaging description of contemporary branchline and shortline railroad operations in western Oregon. This unique photojournalistic account focuses on the Willamette Valley and its bordering mountain chains—the Coast Range, the Cascades, and the Siskiyou. As the state's economic heart, the area's intricate railroad network is the closest Oregon comes to the trackage density found in many eastern and midwestern states. Small companies took on much of the railway construction, hoping to profit by hauling passengers

## Rocky's Rail

*A Spokane Division Trainman, 1960-2004*

John E. Langlot and Mac McCulloch

Consummate trainman **John Langlot's** career coincided with a tumultuous era in railroad history. He started with Great Northern at Hillyard (Spokane, Washington) as a brakeman, spending his early years on the Wenatchee–Oroville route. He was promoted to conductor in 1968. With the 1970 completion of the Burlington Northern merger, his work territory expanded. He retired in 2004 and now serves as a director and vice president of the Great Northern Railway Historical Society. *Rocky's Rail* recounts his railroading experiences from 1960 through 2004, a period of sweeping technological change. His stories provide a rare first-person view of the craft of trainman. He also summarizes corporate-level decisions and their local impacts. In addition, the book offers a geographically arranged operational overview of the Great Northern Railway's Spokane Division in the 1960s.

**Mac McCulloch** worked in roles from clerk to superintendent at a variety of organizations, including Great Northern, Burlington Northern, and the American Railroads Bureau of Explosives. The co-authors previously published *The Rusty Dusty: Great Northern's Wenatchee–Oroville Branch*.

## Psychiana Man

*A Mail-Order Prophet, His Followers, and the Power of Belief in Hard Times*

Brandon R. Schrand

Six weeks after the 1929 stock market crash, ingenious mass-marketer Frank Bruce Robinson created Psychiana, a correspondence course promising health, wealth, and happiness to anyone who believed in the “God Power.” It became one of the most successful twentieth century New Thought religions. Charged with passport fraud in 1936, Robinson arrived at rural Moscow, Idaho’s federal building, where crowds lined the streets. But Latah County’s largest private employer was not all he claimed to be, and his trial made national headlines. *Psychiana Man* traces the rise and fall of a master charlatan, illuminates reasons his unwavering followers—from a dust bowl farmer to a former boxing champion—clung to their faith, and paints an intriguing portrait of a nation challenged by a brutal depression and war.

\$24.95 / 404-7 / Pbk. / 414 pages (2021)

## Coming Home to Nez Perce Country

*The Niimīpuu Campaign to Repatriate Their Exploited Heritage*

Trevor James Bond

In 1847, missionary Henry Spalding shipped two barrels of exquisite Nez Perce shirts, dresses, baskets, and horse regalia to Kinsman, Ohio. Donated to Oberlin College in 1893 and later transferred to the Ohio Historical Society (OHS), the pieces languished in storage. Eventually the OHS loaned them to the Nez Perce National Historic Park, where they were displayed. After an abrupt recall and long negotiations, the OHS agreed to sell the artifacts to the Nez Perce at full appraised value. Given six months to raise \$608,100, the tribe devised a brilliant grassroots campaign. Drawing on interviews with Nez Perce experts and extensive archival research, the author delves into the collection’s story. He also examines the ethics of acquiring and selling Native cultural history.

\$24.95 / 405-4 / Pbk. / 216 pages (2021)

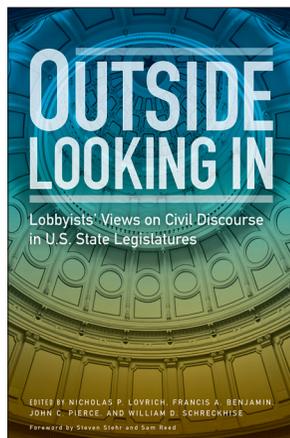
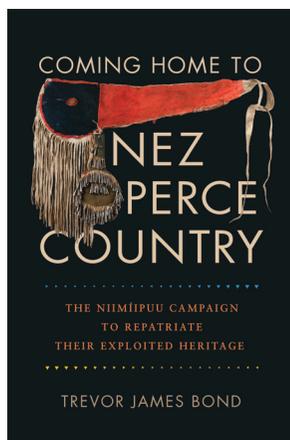
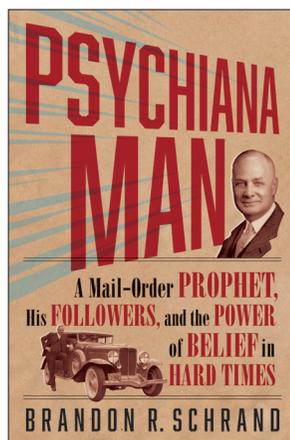
## Outside Looking In

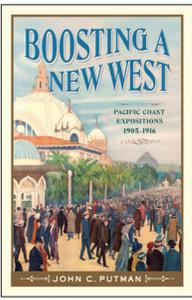
*Lobbyists’ Views on Civil Discourse in U.S. State Legislatures*

Edited by Nicholas P. Lovrich, Francis A. Benjamin,  
John C. Pierce, and William D. Schreckhise  
Foreword by Steven Stehr and Sam Reed

Gridlock and hyper-partisanship in the United States Congress raises questions about whether and why similar divides are occurring in state governments. In 2018 and 2019, researchers conducted a fifty-state survey of registered lobbyists and public agency legislative liaison officers. They received 1200 responses, and hope that understanding reasons behind politicians’ inability to demonstrate civility and reach bipartisan agreements will yield effective, purposeful interventions. In *Outside Looking In*, scholars from across the country interpret the survey results and present unique perspectives on civil discourse in state legislatures. They reveal regional and national insights, and discuss efforts to initiate change.

\$50.00 / 406-1 / Hbd. / 248 pages (2021)





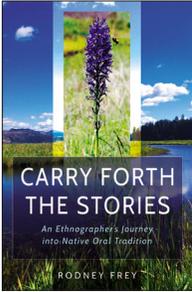
### Boosting a New West

Pacific Coast Expositions, 1905–1916

*John C. Putman*

Portland, Seattle, San Diego, and San Francisco all held fairs between 1905 and 1915. *Boosting a New West* explores the fairs' cultural and social meaning by focusing on and comparing the promotions that surrounded them. The marketing campaigns and vendor and exhibit choices expose biased racial attitudes and reveal western leaders' perceptions of their city and region, as well as how they attempted to shape a new western identity.

\$34.95 / 381-1 / Pbk. / 316 pages (2020) • \$34.95 / 044-6 / Ebook



### Carry Forth the Stories

An Ethnographer's Journey into Native Oral Tradition

*Rodney Frey*

Foreword by Leonard Bends

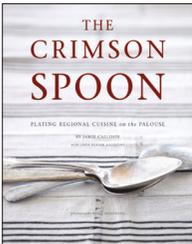
Intertwining his own as well as stories from interviews, oral histories, and elders, seasoned anthropologist/ethnographer Rodney Frey offers a model for engaging with indigenous peoples as well as personal and professional insights into the power and value of storytelling.

\$42.00 / 410-8 / Hdb.

\$29.95 / 348-4 / Pbk. / 286 pages (2017) • \$29.95 / 045-3 / Ebook



Evans Handcart Award,  
Mountain West Center for  
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### The Crimson Spoon

Plating Regional Cuisine on the Palouse

*Jamie Callison with Linda Burner Augustine*

*"Start with great ingredients, apply simple cooking techniques, and magic happens."*

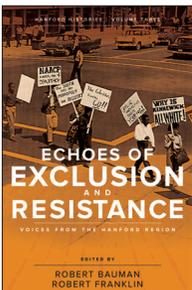
Featuring over 100 recipes covering an array of palates, this lavishly photographed cookbook celebrates regional specialties.

WSU College of Business

\$38.00 / 978-0-615-86917-9 / Hdb. / 224 pages (2013)



Finalist, Professional Kitchens  
category, International Association  
of Culinary Professionals



### Echoes of Exclusion and Resistance

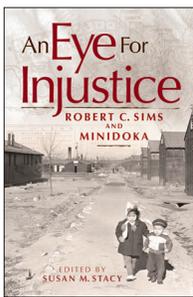
Voices from the Hanford Region

*Edited by Robert Bauman and Robert Franklin*

Hanford Histories Volume 3

In *Echoes of Exclusion and Resistance*, four scholars draw from oral histories to focus on the experiences of non-white groups such as the Wanapum, Chinese immigrants, World War II Japanese incarcerated, and African American migrant workers from the South, whose lives were deeply impacted by the Hanford Site. Linked in ways they likely could not know, each group resisted the segregation and discrimination they encountered, and in the process, challenged the region's dominant racial norms.

\$29.95 / 382-8 / Pbk. / 274 pages (2020) • \$29.95 / 049-1 / Ebook



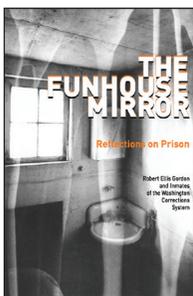
### An Eye for Injustice

Robert C. Sims and Minidoka  
 Edited by Susan M. Stacy

As wartime hysteria mounted after December 1941, the U.S. government began forcibly relocating West Coast individuals with Japanese ancestry to ten inland sites. Hunt, Idaho's Minidoka War Relocation Center opened in August 1942. Dr. Robert C. Sims was devoted to research, writing, and education related to this unjust World War incarceration. His articles, papers, and speeches expose this national tragedy as well as the resilience of those who suffered.

\$21.95 / 376-7 / Pbk. / 246 pages (2020) • \$21.95 / 051-4 / Ebook

*"Bob Sims' work brought the injustices to light and, in fact, educated many in the younger Japanese American community about their own history." —Robert Hirai, Honorary Consul of Japan in Idaho and past president of the Boise Valley Japanese American Citizens League.*



### The Funhouse Mirror

Reflections on Prison  
 Robert Ellis Gordon

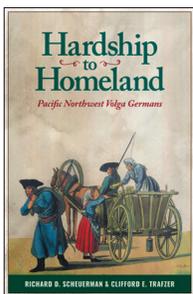


Robert Ellis Gordon's account of teaching writing in Washington prisons is aided by essays and stories contributed by the prisoners themselves. Together, Gordon and his students provide revealing glimpses of this vast, secret-laden subculture of incarcerated individuals, which nationwide comprises more than two million U.S. citizens.

\$16.95 / 198-5 / Pbk. / 132 pages (2000)

*"Searing...memorable and gripping." —Kirkus Reviews*

*"An unvarnished examination of a prison culture." —Boston Globe*



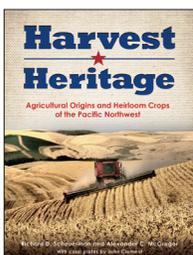
### Hardship to Homeland

Pacific Northwest Volga Germans  
 Richard D. Scheuerman and Clifford E. Trafzer

First published in 1985 as *The Volga Germans*, this revised and expanded edition chronicles a unique saga stretching from Germany to Russia and across the Atlantic. The Volga Germans' late 1800s arrival significantly influenced agriculture, religion, politics, and social development in the Pacific Northwest.

\$24.95 / 362-0 / Pbk. / 282 pages (2018) • \$24.95 / 396-5 / Ebook

*"An elegant reprint...New material based on oral histories collected over decades by Richard Scheuerman and interpreted by Clifford E. Trafzer bring a deeply personal aesthetic to this new edition." —Pacific Historical Review*

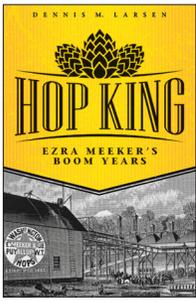


### Harvest Heritage

Agricultural Origins and Heirloom Crops of the Pacific Northwest  
 Richard D. Scheuerman and Alexander C. McGregor

*Harvest Heritage* explores the people, history, and major influences that shaped and transformed the Pacific Northwest's flourishing agricultural economy—from Spanish exploration to modern research and advancements in mechanization, seed quality, irrigation, and sustainable practices.

\$32.95 / 316-3 / Pbk. / 200 pages (2013) • \$32.95 / 397-2 / Ebook



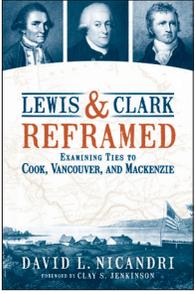
### Hop King

Ezra Meeker's Boom Years  
Dennis M. Larsen

Oregon Trail pioneer Ezra Meeker settled in the Puyallup Valley and planted his first hops, eventually traveling to New York and London to open new markets. In 1882, Pacific coast growers benefited from widespread crop failure elsewhere, and Meeker's staggering success as the "hop king" helped transform the region's landscape, economics, and politics.

\$26.95 / 342-2 / Pbk. / 268 pages (2016)

*"[Ezra Meeker] was like the Evergreen State's Forrest Gump — seemingly a part of every big moment in our early history."—The Inlander*

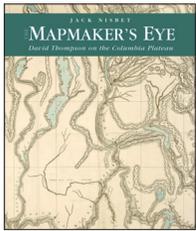


### Lewis and Clark Reframed

Examining Ties to Cook, Vancouver, and Mackenzie  
David L. Nicandri  
Foreword by Clay S. Jenkinson

James Cook, George Vancouver, and Alexander Mackenzie—and to a lesser extent fur traders John Meares and Robert Gray—directly and indirectly influenced the Lewis and Clark expedition. Written by former Washington State Historical Society Director David L. Nicandri, *Lewis and Clark Reframed* examines curious and seemingly inexplicable aspects of the journey after the Corps of Discovery crossed the Rocky Mountains and offers opportunities to place the Lewis and Clark story and the Enlightenment era into historical context.

\$32.95 / 380-4 / Pbk. / 184 pages (2020)



### The Mapmaker's Eye

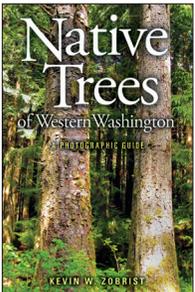
David Thompson on the Columbia Plateau  
Jack Nisbet

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Experience the sweep of human and natural history on the early nineteenth-century Columbia Plateau through the eyes of the intrepid explorer and cartographer, David Thompson.

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*"[Jack Nisbet] is Thompson's best, most intimately knowledgeable, biographer to date."—BC Studies: The British Columbian Quarterly*



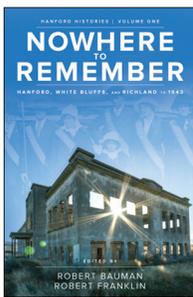
### Native Trees of Western Washington

A Photographic Guide  
Kevin W. Zobrist

Zobrist, a WSU Extension professor, confers a delightful, enlightening, and lavishly illustrated examination of regional indigenous trees—all from a forestry specialist's unique perspective.

\$18.95 / 324-8 / Pbk. / 160 pages (2014) • \$18.95 / 057-6 / Ebook

*"[This] beautiful new guide book about native trees is garnering rave reviews."—Everett Herald*



### Nowhere to Remember

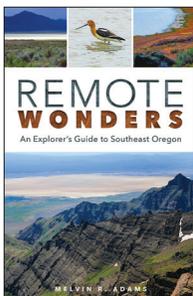
Hanford, White Bluffs, and Richland to 1943

*Edited by Robert Bauman and Robert Franklin*

Hanford Histories Volume 1

Drawn from Hanford History Project personal narratives, *Nowhere to Remember* highlights life in eastern Washington's Hanford, White Bluffs, and Richland until 1943, when the Manhattan Project forced their permanent, mandatory evacuation. The volume examines the region's past within the context of American West history, and utilizes oral histories to describe the small, close-knit agricultural communities and show how former residents reacted to their loss.

\$24.95 / 360-6 / Pbk. / 212 pages (2018) • \$24.95 / 058-3 / Ebook



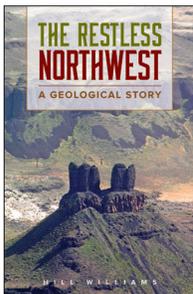
### Remote Wonders

An Explorer's Guide to Southeast Oregon

*Melvin R. Adams*

Oregon's wild steppe—basalt rims, high cold deserts, dry lakes, and vast expanses of grass and sage—is a magnificent wonderland well worth exploring. In this delightful road tour guide, essays, photos, and a pull-out map keyed to selected sites highlight notable natural and historical features.

\$19.95 / 332-3 / Pbk. / 200 pages (2015)



### The Restless Northwest

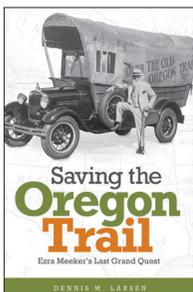
A Geological Story

*Hill Williams*

In an easy, conversational style, *The Restless Northwest* provides a brief overview of the remarkable geological processes that have shaped the Pacific Northwest.

\$19.95 / 250-0 / Pbk. / 176 pages (2002) • \$19.95 / 059-0 / Ebook

*"A superb story constructed by a master of scientific writing."*—James Whipple, retired, U.S. Geological Survey



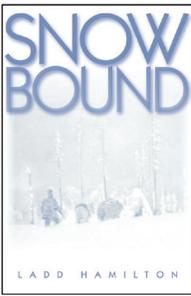
### Saving the Oregon Trail

Ezra Meeker's Last Grand Quest

*Dennis M. Larsen*

Ezra Meeker first came west on the overland trail in 1852. At age 75 he trekked east over the Oregon Trail with oxen and a covered wagon, setting markers along the way, and became a national celebrity. Endearing and captivating, but also at times exasperating and irrational, his extraordinary preservation efforts were crucial to saving the trail. A part of his story no one has previously told, this volume begins in 1901 and completes an ambitious biography.

\$28.95 / 374-3 / Pbk. / 278 pages (2020) • \$28.95 / 062-0 / Ebook



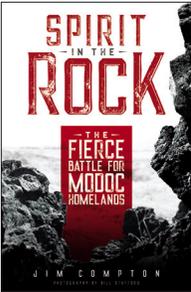
### Snowbound

Ladd Hamilton

In 1893, three New Yorkers, their guide, and a camp cook were caught by an early winter in the Bitterroot Mountains, and forced by their own ill luck and bad judgment to a decision that shocked the nation. *Snowbound* is the scandalous, true tale of the Carlin party, whose adventure of a lifetime became an unthinkable tragedy.

\$19.95 / 154-1 / Pbk. / 248 pages (1997) • \$19.95 / 063-7 / Ebook

*"A detailed, well-paced re-creation of the Carlin hunting party fiasco of 1893...a pleasure."*—Kirkus Reviews



### Spirit in the Rock

The Fierce Battle for Modoc Homelands

Jim Compton

Photography by Bill Stafford

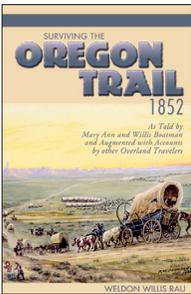


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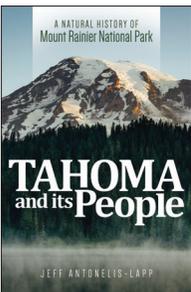
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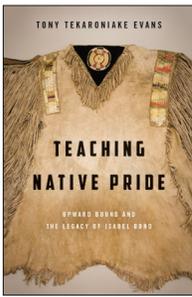


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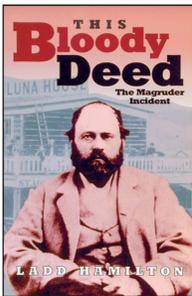
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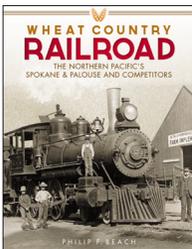


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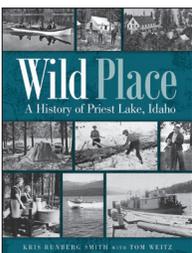
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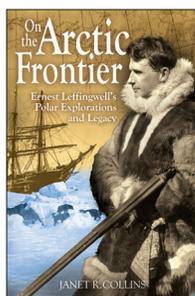
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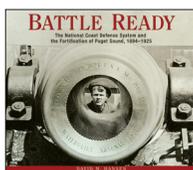
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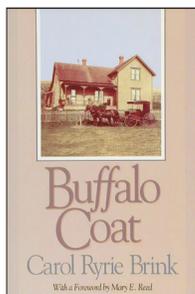
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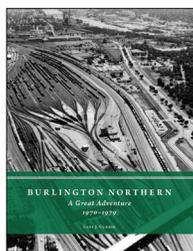
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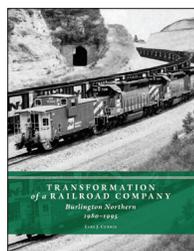
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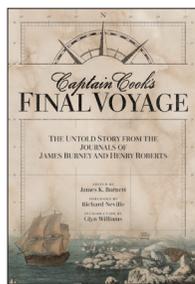
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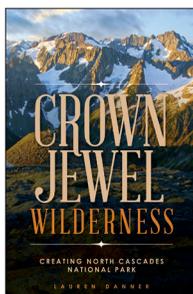
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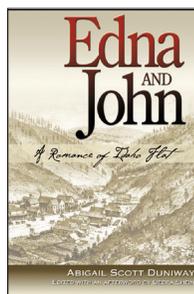
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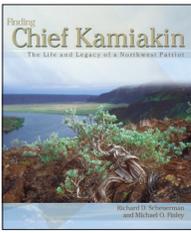
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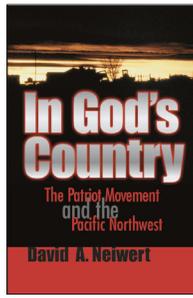
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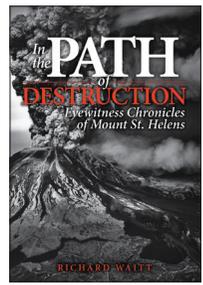
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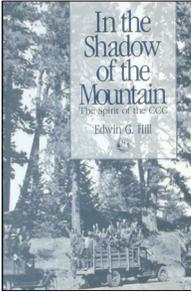
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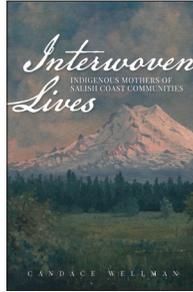
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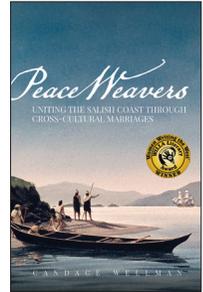


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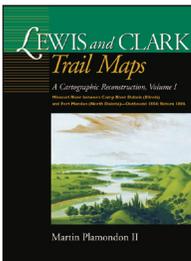
  
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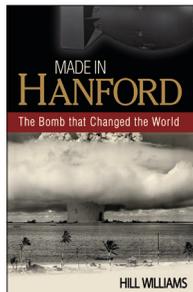
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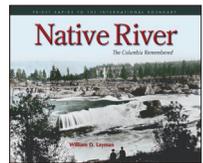
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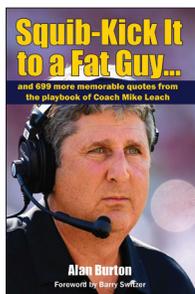
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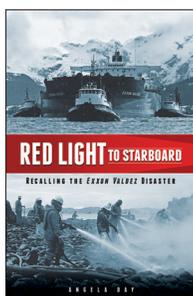
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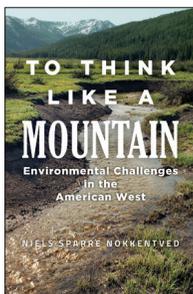
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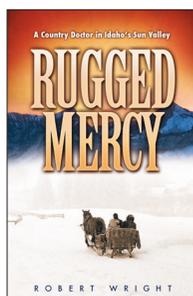
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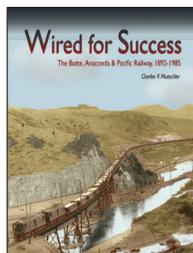
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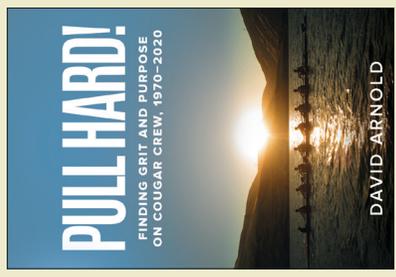


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