

Polish mountaineering achievements gathered by R. W. Schramm. In the succeeding chapter K. Birkenmajer speculates upon and suggests new geographical names for the series of hitherto unnamed physiographical objects in the Hornsund region of Spitsbergen; and in the short chapter XI J. Pruchnicki sums up the attention the Polish Spitsbergen Expeditions received by the novelists, and reviews the documentary films devoted to the research work and life of the expedition members. The last chapter, XII, is a compilation of the full bibliography of the research papers and the popularized publications that have been based on the work done by the Polish Spitsbergen Expeditions. The author of this chapter, K. Birkenmajer divided the 399 items of the bibliography into 23 subchapters.

The abundance of graphic supplements adds to the value of the book. Besides numerous maps, sketches, geological sections, diagrams and tables it contains also a hundred and twenty-eight well-chosen black and white photographs. The book has been edited and published only in English in a limited edition of 537 copies. The chief editor, K. Birkenmajer, deserves special appreciation for his careful editorial work. One can only desire that the rest of the results of the Polish research in Spitsbergen will be presented to us in a similar form.

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THE YUKON ECONOMY: ITS POTENTIAL FOR GROWTH AND CONTINUITY. Compiled by D. W. Carr and F. W. Anderson. Ottawa: D. Wm. Carr & Associates Ltd., 1968. 8½ x 11 inches, 346 pages, tables and maps. \$3.50.

This report is Volume 1, the Final Report, in a very valuable series of 8 volumes, on the potential growth and viability of the Yukon economy. The present volume, which includes a significant amount of material extracted from the preceding volumes, was prepared for the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and the Government of the Yukon Territory.

In order to assess the potential economic growth of the Yukon, the authors have organized the report into four stages. The first stage provides a perspective on the new environment for economic growth in the Yukon and the northwest region. It includes an analysis of the Yukon in a national and regional perspective, its historical setting in the northern region and the new philosophy of economic development in the northwest.

The second stage provides a comprehensive analysis of the economic potential of the resources and industries of the Yukon. The third stage of the report examines the basic development services of power and transportation which act as the major determinant of the growth potential of the Yukon economy. The final stage attempts to assess the economic environment for potential growth and the possibilities for strength and viability in the Yukon economy to 1985.

Clearly, the authors have achieved their objective by providing the reader with an overall understanding of the potential economy of the Yukon with a primary focus on new economic development there rather than on the reorientation of past developments. The new economic development philosophy or attitude advocated by the authors throughout the report is that Federal and Provincial policies should be coordinated in order to act as a positive stimulant to development.

I think it must be concluded that this thorough and enlightening report constitutes a significant contribution to the literature on northern development and it will be of great assistance to researchers who have a concern for the potential economic development of the Yukon. Furthermore, if one wishes to acquire a total historical perspective of the economy of the Yukon and the northwest region, I would strongly recommend, in conjunction with this report, K. J. Rea's critical work entitled *The Political Economy of the Canadian North*. Dr. Rea's book examines the changes in attitudes by private investment, and the local, territorial, and federal administration in the north up to the early 1960's.

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HUNTERS OF THE NORTHERN ICE. BY RICHARD K. NELSON. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1969. 429 pages, illustrated, 6¼ x 9¼ inches. \$8.50.

This book is an important addition to polar literature. Although for the most part restricting attention to northwest Alaska, and more especially the Wainwright area, the reader with geographical, biological or ethnographic interests will discover a wealth of well-presented data, and perceptive, sound analysis. For a text so replete with substantive technical detail, a delightful style of prose in places suggests that the writer was more than objectively involved with investigating the subject matter, and fortunately the reader shares this enrichment.