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THE UPPER TANANA INDIANS

This is another paper in the Yale University Publications in Anthropology dealing with northern Athapaskan peoples. Dr. McKennan’s work continues in the sound tradition established for the series. The volume presents in standard ethnographic form the results of Dr. McKennan’s field work among the Upper Tanana during the season 1929-30. Each aspect of the culture of these people is described, starting with economics and ending with mythology. No criticism can be made of this approach since this is the first major study of these people and especially since at the time the field work was done this was the accepted approach to ethnographic reporting.

The above comments are not meant to detract from Dr. McKennan’s work. It is a sound ethnographic study, well written, and certainly a worthwhile contribution to the literature pertaining to the peoples of the Subarctic.

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RUSSIAN-ENGLISH GLOSSARY AND SOVIET CLASSIFICATION OF ICE FOUND AT SEA.
Compiled by Boris N. Mandrovsky. Washington: Reference Department, Library of Congress. 1959. 10 1/4 X 8 inches; vi + 30 pages; mimeographed; $0.30; obtainable from Card Division, Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.

This useful work reproduces and provides English equivalents for the sea ice terms in N. I. Yevgenov (Evgenov, according to the system of transliteration used by the Library of Congress and in Arctic Bibliography): Album ledovykh obrazovanii na moryakh (Leningrad, 1955), now in official Soviet use. The English equivalent terms, often exact fits, are those in current United States use, taken from Hydrological Office Publication No. 609: A functional glossary of ice terminology (Washington, 1952), or failing that, from the World Meteorological Organization Publication: Abridged international ice nomenclature (Geneva, 1956). Some of the divergences between the three systems...