in foreign fields. The book contains a valuable "Bibliography of the Western Foreign Missionary Society."

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The story of the Washington Infantry of Pittsburgh and its predecessors, told with the extensive use of newspaper excerpts, muster rolls, extracts from journals, and contemporary war records forms a unique record of Pittsburgh military activities from 1792 to 1930. It comprises a history of the Pittsburgh Light Infantry, the "Pittsburgh Blues" of the War of 1812, the "Jackson Independent Blues" of the Mexican War, and the Washington Infantry of the Civil, Spanish, and World wars. As the author states in his introduction, this account "covers 138 years of connected organization service in the five wars since the Revolution and also in such emergencies as mob riots, the Butchers Run Flood, the Johnstown Flood, and local service by members of the Old Guard of the Washington Infantry during the World War." The text is supplemented by many illustrations—portraits of individual members of the service, views of monuments, and reproductions of military scenes.

This volume is the result of a large amount of research and compilation on the part of the author, himself a former captain of the Washington Infantry and commander of the Old Guard, and will be of interest to anyone connected with or interested in the past military activities of this region.

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As the title suggests, this book is not primarily a history or record of events; it is, rather, a presentation of the Pittsburgh scene as it appears today. Although the history of the city and of the region is traced in several of the opening chapters, the chronological order of occurrences is used thereafter only where
it serves as introduction or background for separate topics. The first two volumes consist of chapters on divers aspects of the city's development, treated individually, and the last two volumes, presumably the work of assistants, are composed of biographies of many of Pittsburgh's citizens.

The author, who is the secretary and general manager of the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce, has constructed his discussion of each subject by means of a compilation of related data gathered from various sources. The material is to a large extent derived from monographs, papers, addresses, and numerous historical publications, which, in many instances, are extensively quoted. Among the major subjects treated are "Civil and Municipal History," "Pittsburgh in the Nation's Wars," "Banking," "Art and Musical Life," "Religious History," "Education," "The Medical Profession and Hospitals," and "Bench and Bar." The section dealing with the part played by Pittsburgh in the World War is informing and contains some interesting detail. Several chapters are devoted to the rise and expansion of the coal, iron, steel, electrical, and other industries and an attempt has been made to stress the more recent developments in these fields and to point to the prospect of continued progress along industrial lines.

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