

American Indian linguistics and ethnography in honor of Laurence C. Thompson. Ed. by ANTHONY MARTINA and TIMOTHY MONTLER. (University of Montana occasional papers in linguistics, 10.) University of Montana Department of Anthropology, 1993. Pp. xi, 497. Cloth \$40.00, paper \$25.00.

This Festschrift contains 28 contributions, divided between Part 1, 'Salish language and culture' (1-326), and Part 2, 'Other languages of the Americas' (327-487). Within these two large sections the organization is alphabetical, with no attempt to group papers thematically. Larry Thompson's influence on the field of Salishan linguistics and the regard in which he is held by his colleagues and former students are abundantly evident throughout the volume. Nearly all of the papers in Part 1 cite work by Thompson (much of it coauthored with his wife, M. Terry Thompson), and several articles in both parts of the book include anecdotes about Thompson or personal acknowledgments of his contributions. A preface (ix-xi) summarizes Thompson's life, from his birth in 1926 to the stroke which ended his linguistic career in 1983, and notes that a separate volume will commemorate his work on Southeast Asian languages.

In spite of its title, the contents of this volume are almost entirely linguistic. Only two papers are strictly ethnographic; another handful address 'ethno-linguistic' issues such as narrative

organization. The remainder of the contributions are devoted to the synchronic or diachronic phonology, morphology, syntax, or semantics of one or more languages.

As in almost any collection of this type, the papers are a rather mixed bag, varying greatly in length, approach, and interest. Many are theoretically oriented. For example, EWA CZAYKOWSKA-HIGGINS' 'The phonology and semantics of CVC reduplication in Moses-Columbian Salish' (47-72) and JAN P. VAN EIJK'S 'CVC reduplication and infixation in Lillooet' (317-26) make interesting use of metrical theory. TIMOTHY MONTLER ('Relative clauses and other attributive constructions in Saanich', 241-64) is concerned with crosslinguistic definition of syntactic constructions. EMANUEL J. DRECHSEL, in 'Basic word order in Mobilian Jargon' (343-67), deals with word-order universals and syntactic change. Others papers are most valuable for their data; foremost among these is the annotated Thompson River Salish text presented by M. TERRY THOMPSON & STEVEN M. EGESDAL. Finally, a few papers, such as PAUL L. KIRK, JENNY LADEFOGED, & PETER LADEFOGED'S 'Quantifying acoustic properties of modal, breathy, and creaky vowels in Jalapa Mazatec' (435-50), are primarily methodological in outlook.

A list of contributors and an index conclude the volume. A spot check of the index shows quite good coverage of names, somewhat less reliable coverage of languages and language families ('Siouan' is listed, but with no reference to the one paper on Siouan languages), and only very sporadic coverage of topics—'blanket' is listed, with a reference only to p. 3, although blankets are discussed repeatedly throughout pp. 3-29 and again on p. 280; 'reduplication' is listed with several references, but 'infixation', which is discussed in some of the same articles, is not listed.

In spite of its few flaws, this book makes a valuable contribution to American Indian and particularly Northwest coast linguistics. It stands as a fitting tribute to a pioneering scholar in the field. [CATHERINE RUDIN, *Wayne State College*.]