Three of the four books in this section are introductions to the Cascade volcanoes. The fourth book, about Shasta the cat, is not really about the mountain, though it may be admitted that the soft sound of the name Shasta suits a kitten very well. No other children's book about Mt. Shasta were found. There should be more children's books about Mt. Shasta. Perhaps some enterprising authors would like to write good children's books to add to this section.

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[MS34]. Magley, Beverly. The Fire Mountains: The Story of the Cascade Volcanoes. Billings, Mont.: Falcon Press Publishing Co., 1990. A children's book for ages 8 - 12. Contains text and illustrations on each of the major Cascade volcanoes, plus an overview of the entire Cascade range. Geological processes are introduced in a simplified but accurate way. Mount Shasta is discussed on pp. 16 & 17 with topics such as stratovolcanoes, glaciers, and sulfur springs being mentioned. An Indian legend is described as are the legends of the Lemurians, the Yaktayvians, and the UFOs. The point of view is lighthearted and the text on Mount Shasta ends with the statement: "When you visit Mount Shasta, remember to keep your eyes open for secretive people who may live inside the volcano. You just never know ..." 24. Literature: Children's Books. [MS34].


[MS144]. Purcell, David. Cascade Volcanoes, a Discovery Book. Washougal, Wash.: High Mountain Press, 1985. Third edition, first published 1978. Children's guide to the Cascade volcanoes. Mount Shasta (pp. 18-19) is discussed. Contains an Indian legend about Mount Shasta being built by the Chief of the Sky Spirits: whenever smoke and fire come out of the volcano it is a sign that the chief is home with a fire going. The book also contains a crossword puzzle and other games about volcanoes. 24. Literature: Children's Books. [MS144].