

Scratch the surface of any heros tale of the American West and you will find tragic elements. Such is the case for Jon "Snowshoe" Thomson, the Nordic mountaineer who regularly crossed the Sierra Nevada during the harsh winters of the late 1850s, just prior to the discovery of the Comstock Lode in Virginia City. His feats were instant legend. Not only did he not die (the demise of Donner Party was only year earlier) but was the first person to stand on skis in America and on them he set unofficial land-speed records on downhill runs. This was time before the railroad and telegraph when mail on Snowshoe's back was the only way after the snows had fallen for anyone from the East to communicate with California, short of sailing around the Horn. Snowshoe Thomson, though relatively unknown, stands alongside Daniel Boone, Davy Crocket, Kit Carson and select other early Americans who stood larger than life, and right at the focal point of historical events. Thomson's friendships with wild-and-wily entrepreneurs who set out to claim the Comstock Lode (to this day the richest mineral deposit ever discovered) make SNOWSHOE both a novel of intrigue and a study in the resilience of human spirit. Before the world came to Virginia City, it was a nameless Great Basin backwater. Snowshoe Thomson and his companions (Lucky Bill Thorington, Elzy Knot, and the eccentric Grosh brothers) engineered a grand plan. But Eilley Orrum, the seductive fortuneteller with her magic "peepstone" led miners on another, darker vision. When these paths collided, and the impact blew the lid off the Comstock, everyone was surprised especially the man who had held it all together. Exhaustively researched, SNOWSHOE is firmly grounded in historical fact and intricately plotted. But the story falls clearly in place, as told by the narrator, Nashua Smokey, a half-Washo Indian who was the stoic Thomson's longtime confidante. "Sprout's skill is captivating, with a believability of characters and an engaging style. He is a comer in the new Western genre." Luther Nichols, Doubleday "Snowshoe is obvious quality." Gregory Tobin, Bantam Publishing Group "I was struck by the quality of the writing and the clarity of Sprout's vision of the West. Reminiscent of A.B. Guthrie's The Big Sky." Rob Cohen, Universal Studios "An elegant, poetic, handsome book." Adele Horowitz, Presidio Press

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