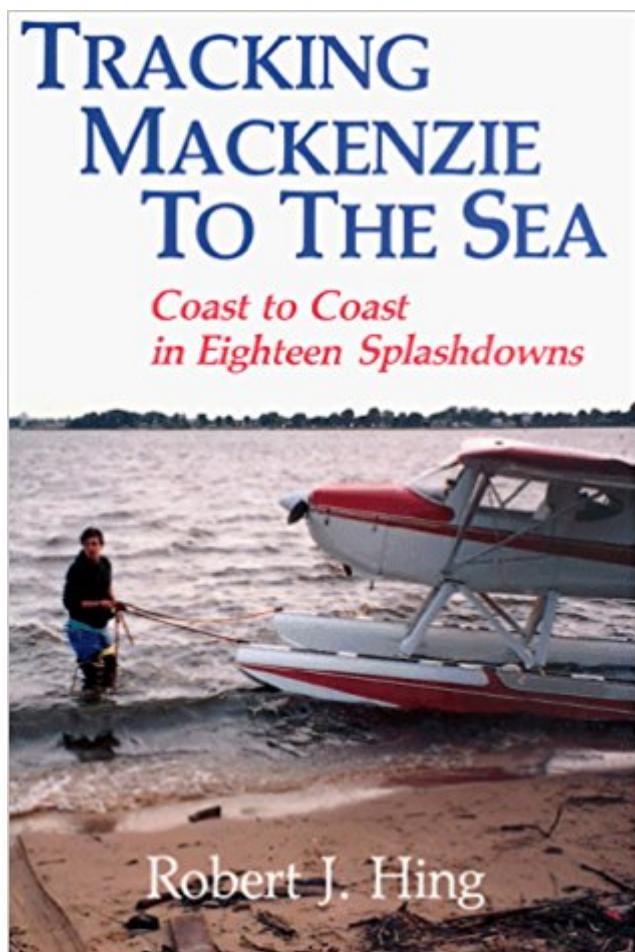


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I'm happy I got the idea to follow Mackenzie's track to the Pacific. I was told that I was the first person to retrace his canoe journey, coast to coast, since 1793. I don't know whether that's true and, in any case, the route was subsequently retaced over three summers (1991/2/3) by a canoe expedition from Lakehead University. Although I wrote the account of my own flight as a mock-epic -

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