

BOOK REVIEW

Jaipur Law Journal, Vol. II, 1962. University Law College, Jaipur (India); Editor-in-Chief: Dr. G. S. Sharma.

This second volume of the Jaipur Law Journal is dedicated to a great master of jurisprudence, Professor Hans Kelsen, on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. To those interested in legal philosophy this volume provides some thought provoking reading material. Professor Julius Stone has an article on 'Uncommitted Relativism in Modern Theories of Justice'. Ilmer Tammelo of the University of Sydney has contributed on 'Ideas of Justice and Caritas Sapientis'. Mr. A. R. Blackshield, a research assistant in the University of Sydney has written on 'Human Values and Human Thought'. All these provide good intellectual exercise, but only to those who are very well initiated into abstract jurisprudential theories. Mr. Blackshield's "metajurisprudential reflections" has some unearthliness about it. More mundane and of immediate relevance to India, is Dr. G. S. Sharma's article 'Horizons of Indian Legal Philosophy'. He emphasizes the need in India to study law in relation to social and philosophical values and asserts that the closeness of law-in-action and life in a community depends upon the efficiency with which the citadels of legal learning perform this task. Whether or not law schools in India will ever be able to perform this task depends entirely on how we are able to give legal education a new orientation and jurisprudence a new place in the law school curriculum. On the teaching of Jurisprudence in India, Dr. Sharma has been doing some pioneering work with remarkable zeal. The recent seminar organised by the University of Rajasthan at Mt. Abu has been able to focus attention on the need for teaching of jurisprudence in India in the context of Indian soical and philosophical values.

The Journal of course is not all jurisprudential material. There is one article on the constitutional position of the Indian President; another examines the doctrine of consideration in India; another article is on Indian traditions and universal rule of the law of nations; and yet another deals with obscenity and the law. All these, except the last one contributed by a final LL.B. student, are by members of the teaching staff of the University Law College.

The printing and get up of the Journal are exceptionally good. The Journal is a welcome addition to the legal periodicals in the country. And we in particular extend our heartiest welcome to this contemporary.

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Books Received

- 1. Australian Federal Politics and Law 1929-1949, by Geoffrey Sawer, B.A., LL.M. (Melb.), Professor of Law, Australian National University. Melbourne University Press, 1963. 223 and (index) 20 pp. 70 sh.
- Potter's Historical Introduction to English Law and its Institutions, Fourth Edition, by A.K.R. Kiralfy, PH.D., LL.M. of Gray's Inn, Barrister-at-Law; Reader in Law at King's College, London. Sweet & Maxwell Ltd., London, 1958. XXXII and 647 and (index) 26 pp.
- 3. County Court Manual, Fourth Edition, by R. C. L. Gregory, LL.B. of Gray's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, and of the Lord Chancellor's Department. The Manager, H.M.S.O., Sales Section, Indra Palace, 'H' Block, Connaught Circus, New Delhi-1. 1962. 130 and (index) 11 pp. 11s. net.
- 4. The Elements of Drafting, Second Edition, by E. L. Piesse, A Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria and J. Gilchrist Smith, LL.D., A Solicitor of the Supreme Court (Honours). Stevens & Sons Ltd., London, 1958. XV and 115 and (index) 4 pp. 12 s. 6 d. net.
- 5. Law of Contracts, by M. Krishnan Nair, B.SC., M.L., Advocate, Kerala. Sarala K. Nair, M.A., T.C. 10/221, Trivandrum-1, 1963. XIII and 204 and (Appendix) and (index) XXXII Rs. 14/-
- 6. Mulla on The Indian Registration Act, Sixth Edition, by J. R. Dhurandhar, B.A., LL.B., President, Maharashtra Revenue Tribunal, Bombay; One-time Remebrancer of Legal Affairs and Secretary, Legal Department, Government of Bombay. N. M. Tripathi Private Ltd., Bombay, 1963. XXXVI and 363 and (index) 47 pp. Rs. 18/-.
- The Administration of Justice under The East-India Company in Bengal, Bihar and Orissa, by Atul Chandra Patra, Advocate, Supreme Court of India. Asia Publishing House, Bombay, 1962. 217 and (index) 13 pp. Rs. 10/-.

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- 8. Trivandrum Law College Journal, Vol. IX (1963). Editor : Shri M. Krishnan Nair, B.SC., M.L., 108 pp.
- 9. The Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, by Vithalbhai B. Patel, Advocate, Supreme Court. N. M. Tripathi Private Ltd., Bombay, 1963. XLIX and 948 and (index) 3 pp. Rs. 36/-.
- 10. Administrative Law-Cases and Materials, Second Edition, by Louis L. Jaffe, Byrne Professor of Administrative Law, Harvard University and Nathaniel L. Nathanson, Professor of Law, Northwestern University. Little, Brown & Company, Boston, 1961. XXXI and 924 and (index) 8 pp.



ADVICE TO A YOUNG MAN INTERESTED IN GOING INTO LAW

In May, 1954, a twelve-year-old boy living in Alexandria, Virginia, sent a letter to Mr. Justice Frankfurter in which he wrote that he was "interested in going into law as a career" and requested advice as to "some ways to start preparing myself while still in junior high school." He received this reply.

My dear Paul,

No one can be a truly competent lawyer unless he is a cultivated man. If I were you, I would forget all about any technical preparation for the law. The best way to prepare for the law is to come to the study of the law as a well-read person. Thus alone can one acquire the capacity to use the English language on paper and in speech and with the habits of clear thinking which only a truly liberal education can give. No less important for a lawyer is the cultivation of the imaginative faculties by reading poetry, seeing great painting, in the original or in easily available reproductions, and listening to great music. Stock your mind with the deposit of much good reading, and widen and deepen your feelings by experiencing vicariously as much as possible the wonderful mysteries of the universe, and forget all about your future career.

> With good wishes, Sincerely yours, (Signed) FELIX FRANKFURTER

Master M. Paul Claussen, Jr.

--From The World of Law-II The Law as Literature Edited by Ephraim London, (1960), p. 725.