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REVIEWS

A REVIEW OF THE WORK OF
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This book is the first of a series of books whose purpose it is to review the decisions of the United States Supreme Court. It has an introduction on "Problems in the Efficient Administration of Justice;" fourteen other chapters on Railroad Problems, Public Utilities, Insurance Questions, Banking Cases, Federal Taxation, State Taxation, Anti-trust Acts and Unfair Competition, Railroad Labor Problems, Jones' Seamen's Act, Criminal Cases, Criminal Cases—Federal Offenses, Political Issues, International and Race Questions, and the Judicial Veto; together with a table of cases and a subject index. The cases discussed are only "selected cases." It seems to the reviewer that too many "pending cases" or cases in which "appeal is now pending" have been included, and that the authors have unduly emphasized procedural points, but otherwise it seems to the reviewer that the authors have exercised good judgment in the selection of their cases. The method of classification is according to an economic and business basis rather than a legal and constitutional basis, but this may make the book of more practical value. The treatment of the cases and the conclusions of the authors generally seem to be accurate and well done. On page 263, they do not distinguish between the power of the Supreme Court to declare state laws unconstitutional because in violation of the United States Constitution or of Federal laws and because not due process of law, but otherwise their discussion of the judicial veto power of the Supreme Court is accurate. If the work begun by this volume is continued year after year, it will be of great practical help to law teachers and to practitioners, but the book can not be recommended to law students as a text book on constitutional law.

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