

dent Arthur L. Dean of the University of Hawaii on "Assimilation in Hawaii." The publication is concluded by reports of the different round tables and forums.

It is natural that a book which purports to be a record of proceedings of any meeting or conference must embody the papers, addresses, etc., given at that conference, and the record is of value as the materials which it embraces are of value. It seems that every international conference must have two approaches toward the subjects which it has under discussion, one the hortatory, which holds up to the participants and those it expects to influence, a council of perfection, or of near-perfection; and the technological approach, which aims to dissect a problem in a scientific and objective way, and to discover the facts if they are discoverable at all. It is admitted that the hortatory approach is to some extent necessary to supply the engine power of interest and enthusiasm for extended scientific study, but it is also submitted that a conference of this kind will have increasing value as it decreases the hortatory element and increases emphasis upon the technological approach. It is not enough merely to state matters which are already common knowledge to one who reads newspapers and to make purely obvious conclusions from already known facts. To contribute, one must discover.

The Institute of Pacific Relations has made a splendid beginning. Its report must, of course, be an admixture of the two approaches which I have indicated. It is doubtless the policy of its leaders to eliminate in the future so many discussions of the obvious and to center attention on the unknown and the undiscovered.

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*The Oregon Constitution and Proceedings and Debates of the Constitutional Convention of 1857.* Edited by CHARLES HENRY CAREY. (Portland: Oregon Historical Society, 1926. Pp. 543. \$5.00.)

The State of Oregon has waited seventy years for the appearance of this book. There is no doubt that the authentic materials here collected and edited would have been helpful to lawyers, judges, legislators and writers through all the years since the holding of the Constitutional Convention. In addition, there have been many outside of Oregon waiting for the book, especially librarians of universities and the larger public libraries. One of the safeguards of this Republic is the manifest effort of

each State to understand and to utilize the evolving elements of fundamental law developed by the sister States. Librarians are convinced that no books are more worthy of acquisition and care than the books for all the States like this one just produced for Oregon by Judge Carey. The State of Washington is still without such a published record and librarians are forced to be content with such essays and editorials as have appeared.

Judge Carey has done a most thorough piece of work. The first two chapters comprise a sketch of the history of Oregon's arrival at statehood. Beginning at page 57 the proceedings and debates are given day by day. This record, in double-column pages, comprises the journal entries and gleanings from the contemporaneous newspapers; *Oregonian*, and *Oregon Statesman*. Of course, this material occupies the greater portion of the book.

Pages 401-433 are needed for the careful reproduction of the Constitution with the signatures of the delegates to the Convention reproduced in facsimile. Amendments, considered and adopted, are set forth on pages 434 to 467.

Appendix (a) contains (pages 468-482) a study in parallel columns of sources of the provisions in the Oregon Constitution. Judge Carey announces this feature to be abbreviated from an article in the *Oregon Law Review* by W. C. Palmer. Appendix (b) Contains the address by Hon. John R. McBride delivered before the Oregon Historical Society on December 20, 1902. Appendix (c) comprises the Semi-Centennial address by Hon. George H. Williams, delivered before the Legislative Assembly of Oregon. Appendices (d), (e), and (f) contain Acts of Congress relative to the admission of Oregon to statehood. There are two indexes, one for the Constitution and amendments, and another general index for the body of the book.

The obverse of the title-page carries this statement: "Printed under the direction of the Oregon Historical Society, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 379, Laws of Oregon, 1925."

Judge Carey is the author of a fine *History of Oregon* which appeared in 1922. He has now added another monument to his scholarly skill and industry.

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*The Story of the Little Big Horn.* By W. A. GRAHAM. (New York: Century, 1926. Pp. 174. \$2.50.)

It was by superior weapons, superior numbers and superior tactics that the Sioux annihilated Custer's regiment in the battle