

Historia de Margarita y observaciones del General Francisco Estéban Gómez. By FRANCISCO JAVIER YANES. [Biblioteca Popular Venezolana, Ediciones del Ministerio de Educación Nacional, Dirección de Cultura.] (Caracas: Imprenta Nacional, 1948. Pp. 270. Paper.)

An edition of a history of the movement for independence in the island of Margarita written by a contemporary, and glossed by one of the principal actors in that struggle, General Francisco Estéban Gómez. Based in part on official documents published in the *gacetas* and in part on other papers available to the author, an early collector of historical materials relating to the era. Of considerable value for the story of the years 1810-1822 in the *oriente* of Venezuela.

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Latin America, a Selective Guide to Publications in English. By R. A. HUMPHREYS. (London and New York: 1949. Royal Institute of International Affairs. Pp. 63. Paper. \$1.50.)

Modern Latin America in Social Science Literature, a Selected, Annotated Bibliography of Books, Pamphlets, and Periodicals in English in the Fields of Economics, Politics, and Sociology of Latin America. By RICHARD F. BEHRENDT. (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 1949. Pp. 152. Paper.)

The busy teacher and the inquiring layman alike should welcome the two bibliographical compilations provided for them by Robin Humphreys and by Richard Behrendt. Neither author needs introduction to professional Hispanic Americanists; each has addressed here a more general public with brief but authoritative guides to Latin-American materials in English. Professor Humphreys, recently appointed to a chair of Latin-American History at the University of London, scans the long period from discovery to the present over a wide range of topics, in a listing of about nine hundred book titles. Dr. Behrendt, Professor of International Affairs at Colgate University, restricts his efforts to narrower topical and chronological interests, with his chief concern on book and periodical publications over the past fifteen years, primarily those which deal with his major interests: economics, trade, government and politics, and sociology, with lesser attention to cultural geography, social anthropology, and history; about a thousand entries are involved.

Although inevitably some overlap between the two occurs, each tends to complement the other. Independently derived, and growing out of unlike experiences, each has a common aim: that of providing intro-