

Bibliografía selecta de Nariño. By GABRIEL GIRALDO JARAMILLO. Bogotá, 1953. Editorial Sucre. Pp. 24. Paper.

Contains nearly one hundred items by or about "El Precursor," as well as a succinct critical introduction treating the previous attempts at his biography. A modest but useful contribution to the much neglected field of Colombian bibliography.

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A Bibliography of Unpublished Doctoral Dissertations and Master's Theses Dealing with the Governments, Politics, and International Relations of Latin America. By HARRY KANTOR. Gainesville, 1953. University of Florida Press. Inter-American Bibliographical and Library Association Publications, Series I, 13. Pp. vii, 85.

Creadores de la imagen histórica de México: ciento veintiuna biografías sintéticas. By FLORENTINO M. TORNER. Mexico City, 1953. Compañía General de Ediciones. Colección Ideas, Letras, y Vida. Pp. 316.

Harvard Guide to American History. By OSCAR HANDLIN, ARTHUR MEIER SCHLESINGER, SAMUEL ELIOT MORISON, FREDERICK MERK, ARTHUR MEIER SCHLESINGER, JR., PAUL HERMAN BUCK. Cambridge, 1954. Harvard University Press. Index. Pp. x, 689. \$10.00.

Though the editors of this guide conceive "American" in the narrow terms of the United States, this compendious volume also will be of value to everyone dealing with Latin American history. The introductory chapters on "The Nature of History" and "Research and Writing" bring together and set forth in palatable form many basic truths on historians and their craft. Spain, Portugal, and Latin America get fairly short shrift in the section on "Historical Sources," but the coverage in the chapter on "From Prehistoric Times to 1600" is more adequate.

One basic defect of the whole work

results from the decision against describing or evaluating the mass of material cited. The mere appearance of a title of a book or an article in this guide means that it has some importance, of course, but only a specialist will be able to make full use of the work. But who are we in the Latin American field to carp? Do we have any volume remotely resembling this remarkable piece of bibliographical engineering? (L. H.)

Hombres e historia en México. 2 vols. By CARLOS M. IBARRA. Puebla, 1953. Editorial JOSÉ M. CAJICA, JR.

Indice del Boletín de la Academia de Historia del Valle del Cauca, 1932-1952. Compiled by FERNANDO CARO MOLINA. Cali, 1953. Imprenta Vargas. Unpaged. Paper.

Not a true index but a listing, under each author's name, of articles published in the *Boletín* over its twenty year existence. A useful bibliographical and biographical guide to the membership of the Academia de Historia del Valle del Cauca is appended.

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Indice del ramo de indios del Archivo general de la Nación. Vol. II. By LUIS CHÁVEZ OROZCO. Mexico City, 1953. Ediciones especiales del Instituto Indigenista Interamericano en colaboración con el Archivo general de la Nación. Pp. 409.

Covers documents from vol. I to vol. VI, 2ª parte, of the Ramo. Indexes by towns and by subject. (J. F.)

Indice por materias de los diversos instrumentos interamericanos suscritos o aprobados en las Conferencias Panamericanas principales (de 1889 a 1951 inclusive). By ANDRÉS FENOCHIO. Pp. xiii, 111. Paper. \$.75.

Prepared to facilitate access to material in the *Manual of Inter-American Relations* listed below. (L. H.)