

BIBLIOGRAPHIES AND  
REFERENCE WORK

*América en la época de Carlos V. Aportación a la bibliografía de este período desde 1900.* By JOSE ALCINA FRANCO and JOSEFINA PALOP MARTINEZ. Madrid, 1958. Asociación Hispanoamericana de Historia. Paper.

In this bibliography of 1652 items, the compilers have given us a valuable list of both periodical and book items published between 1900 and 1957 concerning America in that important reign of Charles V. Chiefly periodical literature, the coverage is wide, including articles in most of the learned journals of Europe and of the Americas.

There are no critical notes but the bibliography is carefully classified. The first section, *Obras Generales*, containing 299 references, is subdivided into nine groups: (1) *El Descubrimiento*, containing five further sub-divisions, (2) *Derecho indiano*, two, *Las Leyes de Indias* and *Francisco de Vitoria*, (3) *Tratadistas de América*, (4) *Viajes y descubrimientos*, (5) *Misiones*, (6) *Comercio*, (7) *Población*, (8) *Indigenismo*, (9) *La Colonia*. Classification thereafter is geographic; *Norteamérica*, *Méjico*, *Centroamérica*, *Antillas*, *Norte de Sudamerica*, *Brasil*, *Perú*, *Chile* and *Río de la Plata*.

Three elaborate indices complete the little volume: *Índice de Materias*, 10 pages, *Índice de Autores*, 11 pages, and *Índice General*, 6 pages. Enough cannot be said for the use of complete titles of periodicals in each citation instead of letters and for complete data as to size, place and date of publication of each volume. Our gratitude should be extended to both compilers and publishers.

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*Archivos modernos, principios y técnicas.* By T. R. SCHELLENBERG. Introduction & Trans., by MANUEL CARRERA STAMPA. La Habana, 1958. Archivo Nacional. Publicaciones del

Comité de Archivos. Notes. Index. Pp. 358. Paper.

Fundamental work of interest to historians as well as professional archivists. (L.H.)

*Baja California. 1935-1956. A Bibliography of Historical, Geographical and Scientific Literature relating to the Peninsula of Baja California and to the Adjacent Islands in the Gulf of California and the Pacific Ocean.* By ELLEN C. BARRETT. Los Angeles, 1957. Bennett & Marshall. Record Sources. Mission Books. Index. Books for a Baja California Library. Pp. xx, 284. Cloth. \$24.00.

This is the result of seven years compiling by a professional librarian, one of the Southwest's most ardent "Baja California" fan. It is the first on this region. Her "record sources" list and comment briefly on archives and libraries with significant collections. The "mission books" section shows how fragmentary and scattered these marriage, burial, etc. records have become. The bibliography includes almost 3,000 books, articles, maps, and a few selected manuscripts. Present location of the manuscripts is noted. Most works are in English, but many in Spanish, French, German, and Latin are included, with notes on editions and translations. Listing is alphabetical by author, or by title for anonymous works. Some annotations follow, especially useful where titles do not identify contents. The 27-page index, commendably detailed, supplements the bibliography. Her personal selection of 33 "books for a Baja California library" includes a few difficult to obtain. The few typographical errors do not detract from usefulness. Printing and binding are attractive and substantial. She states that the bibliography is neither selective, critical, nor complete, and she is preparing a supplement. Still, she has located and catalogued effectively an impressive array of materials, and the 550 copies should