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A Source Book of Military Law and War-Time Legislation. Prepared by the War Department Committee on Education and Special Training. West Publishing Co., St. Paul, 1919, pp. xviii, 858.

This volume was prepared under the supervision of Colonel J. H. Wigmore. It was designed especially for the use of the Students' Army Training Corps, and was available for that purpose just about the time those Corps were dishanded. The volume, however, is a very valuable source-collection for the use of anyone interested in Military and War-time Law,—the two parts into which the volume is divided. The first part includes legislative enactments, with extracts from the English Mutiny Act of 1688, from the United States Constitution, all of the Articles of War, and numerous extracts from the Revised Statutes of 1878, from the Criminal Code of 1909, and many others. Also most of the leading American cases on the State and Federal military powers, martial law, executive powers, special civil rights and liabilities of military persons, effect of war on civil rights and liabilities, and on the army organization. Part II, War-time sources, includes the important legislative enactments of 1916-1918; regulations and general orders, some seventeen cases, including the conscription case (Arver v. U. S., 245 U. S. 366) and many arising under the Selective Service and Espionage acts; some sixty opinions of the Judge Advocate General in 1917-1918 on miscellaneous topics, and twenty-four more on court martial and disciplinary treatment.

The military man, the lawyer, and the civilian, alike will find here much the most valuable collection of material relating to our military establishment now available. And, since it is probable there will in the near future be a large expansion of our army and navy over the previous peace-time footing, and in their operations, than heretofore, it is to be hoped that lawyers will, more generally than before, familiarize themselves with the legal relations arising from our military establishment. This book will enable them to do this better than any other volume now available.

H. L. Wingus.

Cases on the Law of Property.—Volume IV. Future Interests and Illegal Conditions and Restraints, by Albert M. Kales, of the Chicago Bar. American Casebook Series, William R. Vance, General Editor. St. Paul: West Publishing Company, 1918. Pp. xxix, 729.

Prof. Kales' Collection of Cases, of which the present volume is an abridgment, has already been reviewed in the MICHIGAN LAW REVIEW (16 MICH. LAW REV. 278). This abridged edition, evidently produced at the behest of

the publishers, is designed for law schools which are able to devote to the subject but half the time which the larger book demands. Most of the topics treated in the former book are represented, though often in very abbreviated form, but with rare exceptions the author has not thought it worth while to refer in his notes to the cases he has omitted. We suspect that most teachers will prefer to use the larger volume and exercise their own discretion as to the portions to be omitted.

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