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Ch. VIII: Law (by E. Seidl). Ch. IX: Egypt and Israel (by W. O. E. Oesterley). Ch. X: The Greek Papyri (by C. H. Roberts). Ch. XI: Egypt and Rome (by A. H. M. Jones). Ch. XII: The Egyptian contribution to Christianity, (a) Egypt and the Christian Church (by the late J. M. Creed), (b) The Coptic church and Egyptian monasticism (by de Lacy O'Leary). Ch. XIII: Egypt and the Byzantine Empire (by H. T. Bell). Ch. XIV: The contribution to Islam (by A. J. Arberry). Ch. XV: The legacy to modern Egypt (by the late A. M. Hocart). Of importance to the papyrologists are: Chap. VIII, p. 210-217 on the law of the Ptolemaic, Roman and Byzantine period; p. 237 on the Jews of Alexandria; p. 249-282 attempting to outline the kind of contribution that the papyri have made to almost every branch of ancient studies.

M. FULVIO MAROI, *Papirologia giuridica, Lezioni litografate*. Roma 1939.

The author gives a short discussion of the term papyrology, based on principle on Breccia, *Oriente e Grecia* (Napoli), p. 186 and its importance to our knowledge of local and Roman law as well. A list of papyri (p. 32-45) and the literature follow. In Chap. I the author discusses the legal sources in the Ptolemaic (πολιτικοὶ νόμοι, προτάγματα) and in the Roman periods before and after the C.A. In Chap. II the author deals with the different types of documents, giving a short introduction on the notaries and their activities. In an appendix the author provides a copy of a matrimonial contract (PSI. 64), of a lease and hiring of livestock (Strasb. 30), of a *manumissio* (P. Edmonstone), an adoption (Lips. 28) and sale (Mil. 2) with translations.

C. PRÉAUX, *L'économie royale des Lagides*, Bruxelles, 1939.

After an introduction (p. 9-26) the author deals with expenses for the army, employees of the state-officials, cult, public work and the King's Court (p. 29-57), with the revenues (from monopolies, textile-industry, grain, forests, vine country and orchards, papyri, fishery, breeding, currency, banks), land-taxes and other taxes with which private property is charged, slaves, registration, conveyances-taxes, death-duties, public baths, other taxes charging trade and industry, river navigation, tariffs, export-duties, taxes on individuals (impost, duty), fines (amends), law-expenses, extraordinary incomes, (p. 61-436). Then the author passes to the activities of the royal economy, the fundamental institutions, budget of the revenues, contracts, responsibility of the employees, lease (p. 436-450), the evolution of the King's right on land (p. 459-519). The last chapter gives a picture of the results of the royal economy (519-524). For the historian of law Préaux' discussion on royal legislation (p. 329), on corporations, on slavery

(p. 309), on succession, on archives (11, 14ff. 358), and banks (p. 283ff.) agoranomoi (308ff.), cadaster (p. 122), on land-property, κλήροι (p. 472ff.), on possession, on land-conveyance, καταγραφή (p. 327-328), on maritime loans (p. 296), on payment in advance (203ff.), on leases (p. 505), on deposits (p. 127); finally on the organization of the courts (p. 5, 543), special jurisdictions (p. 552), on penal law (p. 70, 77, 84, 257, 317, 407, 516), on execution (p. 305ff.) are very important.

E. RABEL, *On comparative research in legal history and modern law.*

Bulletin of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences, II (1944), p. 868-881, 1943.

In this brilliant essay on comparative research in legal history and modern law, the author touches only slightly the papyri. He discusses the epoch, when the Greek papyri, to which L. Mitteis attracted the attention of the jurists, came forth in an amazing stream, causing surprises like the discovery of manuscripts that delighted the humanists of the Renaissance, but of a quite different sort. The author became a comparatist when he noticed with elation the bipartite fact: first, that Greek legal notions were made nearer to Germanic thinking than to the late classic doctrines, and second, that the papyri of Egypt, Demotic and Greek, are but a link in a great chain of documents. There is an uninterrupted tradition of notarial style, more extensive than H. Brunner could see, from the Ptolemaic papyri to those of Byzantium itself, Ravenna and Sicily, then to the Merovingian formulae, from which the European notaries derived their charts, retaining certain clauses up to the 18th Cent. No doubt diplomatic habits, and probably also black forms, have migrated from East to West. On the other end of the line there are strong similarities with the cuneiforms of various peoples and gaps. Rabel points out that the papyri, originating directly from daily life, form a precious complement to the laws and learned opinions contained in the *Corpus iuris* and that they show Roman, Greek and Egyptian habits and conceptions in a fascinating rivalry and mutual attraction. We observe the first of the many transformations of which the law of the Romans was capable in foreign countries.

L. WENGER, *Rechtspraxis und Rechtstheorie*. Forschungen u. Fortschritte XV (1939), p. 197/8.

For a long time historians of the Roman law missed the documents which would enable them to study the effect of the positive rules in practice. In this respect the situation changed entirely when Egyptian papyri were brought to light. The papyri posed innumerable problems, such as the question of the principle of personality or territoriality, the conception of νόμος, and the people's attitude toward the monarchistic system.