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## BOOKS NOTED

**MR. JUSTICE MURPHY.** By J. Woodford Howard. Princeton: Princeton University Press. 1968. Pp. vii, 578. \$12.50. The author, J. Woodford Howard, should certainly be commended for literary excellence on his latest work, *Mr. Justice Murphy*. This is an autobiography of an Irish-Catholic who rose through the ranks of governmental office until his personal goal, a seat on the Supreme Court of the United States, was achieved. He began this ascension as Mayor of Detroit in the days of the depression, later becoming Governor of Michigan, then on to the Justice Department to serve as Attorney General, after which he was appointed by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt to sit on the High Court. Justice Murphy joined the Court during the decline of the infamous "Nine Old Men" with whom F.D.R. had done heated battle. Little did anyone realize that this freshman member of the Court would become the guardian of unpopular political, religious, and racial minorities. The story of this Horatio Alger's rise to fame, and his thoughts and philosophies which were accurately gleaned from recently opened private papers of the Justice, provide scintillating reading for all followers of the Supreme Court.

**SELECTED ARTICLES ON FEDERAL SECURITIES LAW.** Prepared by the American Bar Ass'n Section of Corporation, Banking, and Business Law. 1968. Pp. xiii, 985. \$12.00. Since 1933 the scope of federal securities regulation has grown each year until almost every attorney is occasionally faced with a problem governed by the federal securities laws. The ABA's recent collection of articles which appeared in various legal periodicals should prove useful to both the general practitioner and the securities specialist. The anthology presents the articles in three sections which correspond to the three major statutes: The Securities Act of 1933, The Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and The Investment Company Act of 1940. The collection strikes a balance between theoretical and "how to do it" articles. Most of the former are concerned with problems presented by the anti-fraud sections of the 1934 Act, while the latter are devoted to registration procedures and checklists under the 1933 Act. The book should answer many questions posed to the general practitioner while serving as a useful starting point for more involved research by securities specialists.

**THE WARREN COURT.** By Archibald Cox. Cambridge: Harvard University Press. 1968. Pp. vi, 144. \$4.95. Professor Archibald Cox of the Harvard Law School has recently expanded a series of lectures that he delivered at the University of Hawaii in 1967. The result of this expansion is an extremely interesting book which accurately traces the Warren Court's judicial response to the social, economic, and political problems in the last 13 years. The author concentrates on the Court's decision-making process in such volatile fields as civil rights, the reform of criminal procedure, free speech and association, and legislative reapportionment. In each area Professor Cox not only identifies what changes the Warren Court has brought about, but he also goes on to identify what problems the Court has left unanswered. The author's criticisms are perhaps more incisive than other Supreme Court commentators since Professor Cox served as the Solicitor General of the United States for the years 1961 to 1965. This work is excellent reading for every member of the legal profession.

