

BOOK NOTES

MISSOURI ANNOTATIONS TO THE RESTATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF LAWS. Prepared by John Coy Bour and James Lewis Parks. St. Paul: American Law Institute Publishers, 1937.

Courage is required in preparing state annotations to so controversial a work as the Restatement of Conflict of Laws. The task is made more taxing in Missouri by the difficulty of finding the *ratio decidendi* of many of the State's leading Conflicts cases and by the absence of square holdings on many rules approved by the Restatement. These difficulties have demanded of the annotators a high degree of painstaking analysis. The evident care and judgment employed by Professor Bour and by the late Dean Parks of the University of Missouri makes these annotations of real value to the student of Conflicts.

PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICT OF LAWS. By George Wilfred Stumberg. Chicago: The Foundation Press, Inc., 1937. Pp. xi, 441.

Intended as a text book for the guidance of students taking undergraduate courses in the Conflict of Laws, Mr. Stumberg's carefully-prepared and readable text doubtless will be widely used. No attempt at exhaustive treatment of this ever-widening field has been made. Rather the author's purpose, in his own words, has been "to give an exposition of legal thought with respect to most of the topics included within Conflict of Laws as it is understood in England and America." A full review of the book will be carried in the next issue of the WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW QUARTERLY.