

BOOK NOTES

THE LIVING JEFFERSON. By James Truslow Adams. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1936. Pp. vii, 403. Price: \$3.00.

In this sympathetic account of Jefferson's life and ideals, Mr. Adams is both expositor and proponent of his subject's liberal "attitude toward mankind", as contrasted with Alexander Hamilton's desire for government by the "wise, the rich, and the good". But it is not made entirely clear whether Jefferson would have considered it more essential to ameliorate the plight of the economically depressed or to free the individual from social control, if these two goals were to prove incompatible. That they may be impossible of joint attainment has become increasingly evident, at least in the economic sphere, during our era of the machine. Thus the author's criticism of New Deal "authoritarianism" on the score of its antagonism to Jefferson's views, while sincere, may lack validity in the absence of a return to an economy of agrarians and small proprietors, which does not appear likely.

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MR. TUTT'S CASE BOOK. By Arthur Train. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1936. Pp. xiv, 676. Price: \$4.00.

This "casebook", a collection of twenty-six of the most interesting of "Tutt's cases", should afford entertainment to the layman as well as the lawyer. To each of the stories extolling the adroit legal tactics of the protagonist, who is rapidly becoming one of the great characters in legal fiction, there is appended an explanatory note which states concisely the legal points involved in the "case".

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