

They Came Here First: The Epic of the American Indian. By D'Arcy McNickle. (Philadelphia and New York, J. B. Lippincott Company, 1949.

This book, dedicated to John Collier, the New Deal commissioner of Indian affairs, attempts to cover a great deal of territory. The author's purpose, as given by the publisher, declares, "The amount of ignorance about Indians is so great, that any effort to lessen it must be helpful. My greatest concern is that the American people shall understand what their Government has attempted to do, and why, and with what success; and what in my opinion it should attempt to accomplish hereafter."