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BOOK REVIEW

CASES ON AIR LAW

Second Edition. By Carl Zollman. West Publishing Co., St. Paul, 1932.
Pages 16-612.

The rapid development of what the editor of this book calls "air law" has necessitated, within two years, a new edition. Since the publication of the first edition the number of decided cases has approximately doubled, three journals devoted exclusively to air law have made their appearance in the United States, foreign cases have become available through translations, and many scholarly articles and case notes have been published. The editor has made use of this new material. About one-half of the matter on aviation and two-thirds of the whole matter is new.

The book is divided into two parts, called respectively "Aviation" and "Radio" and has appendices setting forth the Air Commercial Act of 1926, the Uniform Law of Aeronautics, and the Radio Act of 1927.

Opinions may differ as to whether there should be a separate course on "Air Law" or "Radio" or "Aviation". It is certain that most of the matter treated in this book could be very conveniently considered in existing courses, but it is also certain that if the new courses are desirable, this book is an admirable instrument with which to teach them.

Each part of the book contains chapters on contracts, torts, crimes, insurance, interstate commerce, and statutory construction. The aviation part has additional chapters on airspace rights, airports, carriers, and workmen's compensation; and the radio on licenses, municipal corporations, copyright, unfair practices, interference, and public utilities.

The cases are well selected, arranged and edited. The footnotes contain in addition to apposite references, abstracts of many cases, statutes, opinions of executive officers and notes and articles. Reference to and abstracts of

foreign cases and statutes are numerous and helpful. The notes and references make the book a rather complete encyclopedia of air law.

To any one interested in the legal problems arising out of aviation or radio, whether student, teacher, or practitioner, the book will prove a valuable if not an indispensable aid.

A. Emerson Howell