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foreign maps, about one-half are French and a third are German. The American maps are described under such subgroups as GHQ, Supply, Air Service, Coast Artillery, Tank Corps, armies, corps, and divisions, and then by organizations under the primary subgroups. Foreign maps include items from Belgium, Britain, France, and Italy, as well as Austro-Hungarian and German enemy records. There is a small collection of records relating to American forces in Italy, Germany, and Siberia.

There is no index. However, four appendixes provide ample access to the text by the use of tables. These tabular listings include a "Subject Guide to the Maps," with item numbers entered under broad subject headings (the scope of which is defined in a glossary); "Division Maps by Type of Map"; "Series of Technological Interest," which include such forms as aerial and photo maps, town plans, and visibility studies; and "Foreign Topographic and Trench Map Series by Area and Scale." The subject areas brought out in the inventory are wide and diverse, ranging, for instance, from maps showing foxholes and machine gun emplacements in a small sector on a given day to records of rail, road, telephone, and power networks in several countries; other records show the effect on cartographical development of the beginnings of aerial photography.

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## Subject Index to the Warren Report and Hearings & Exhibits, comp. by Sylvia Meagher. (New York & London, Scarecrow Press, Inc., 1966. iv, 150 p. \$4.)

For both the archivist administering them and the researcher seeking access, the records of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy—some 300 ft. constituting a part of Record Group 220, Records of Presidential Committees, Commissions, and Boards, in the National Archives—are best viewed through the Commission's *Report* (Washington, 1964; xxiv, 888 p.) and *Hearings* (26 vols.; Washington, 1964). The *Report* carries its own index (p. 880–888), confined to personal and other proper names; each of the first 15 volumes of *Hearings* is supplied with a contents list of persons whose testimony is printed in the volume; in vol. 15 (p. 753–801) there is a name index to the testimony in all 15 volumes; and vols. 16–26 of *Hearings* each list in numerical order, and in their several series, the exhibited documents or objects they reproduce or portray. Personal name or subject relationships between the *Report* proper and the testimony and exhibits, however, cannot be discovered through any combination of indexes or lists; this deficiency Mrs. Meagher has corrected in her most useful work.

The Meagher Subject Index classifies "all elements in the assassination and subsequent crimes as well as the background and history of the principals" insofar as the *Report* and *Hearings* reveal those elements, and most conveniently it incorporates and even extends the citations to exhibited documents given in appendix 18 of the *Report*. This reviewer marvels at the ease with which he has been able to turn to a passage of the testimony or to find a par-

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ticular exhibited document through Mrs. Meagher's aid, and he is especially grateful for her revelation of facets of unexpected information. As though this assistance were not enough, she presents separately a name index, intended to supplement the index on p. 753-801 of vol. 15 (the last volume of testimony) by adding exhibit numbers, the names of persons present when witnesses were examined, and references to persons whose names were omitted in the vol. 15 index. Inclusion of the exhibit numbers relieves the researcher of the task of finding an exhibit reference in the text of Hearings if he wishes to see a particular document; and the listing of Commission members and counsel and of observers present when testimony was taken provides the possibility of ferreting out such minute detail as the interventions by Commission Chairman Earl Warren. Finally, in a "Key to Name Index by Descriptive Category," Mrs. Meagher groups the approximately 550 names that figure in this most extraordinary investigation. One may turn to this key to discover, for instance, whether an obscure name is categorized among "Witnesses of the Assassina-tion," "Associates or Acquaintances, General Walker," "Witnesses of the Tippit Murder," "Press and Other News Media," or elsewhere.

It is of interest to note that recently published allegations about the manner of the investigation—in Sylvan Fox, The Unanswered Questions About President Kennedy's Assassination; Harold Weisberg, Whitewash: The Report on the Warren Report; Edward Jay Epstein, Inquest: The Warren Commission and the Establishment of Truth; and Mark Lane, Rush to Judgment—may now be checked with less trouble. Léo Sauvage, in the "American Postscript" included in the English translation of his L'Affaire Oswald, p. 418, deems Mrs. Meagher to be "the only person in the world who really knows every item hidden in the 26 volumes of Hearings and Exhibits."

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#### Manuals

# Filing and Records Management, by Irene Place and Estelle L. Popham. (Englewood Cliffs, N.J., Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1966. xiv, 290 p., illus. \$6.60.)

The need for qualified, trained people for today's business files and the growing acceptance of the importance of records management in the business school curriculum are brought together in this new textbook by Dr. Place, associate professor of office management, Graduate School of, Business at the University of Michigan, and Dr. Popham, professor and chairman of the Department of Business Education at Hunter College of the City University of New York. The book is well organized, well written, and well illustrated; there is a refreshing absence of cliché, management jargon, and the graphic coined phrases that detract from much professional literature and conversation. The authors explore no new areas or ideas; many of the so-called "new" automated curves and much of the "arm" mechanized environment discussed

automated systems and much of the "new" mechanized equipment discussed were described and illustrated, tended by office workers in the long dresses and

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