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Book Review (reviewing Ralph Stanley Bauer & Essel Ray Dillavou, Cases on Business Law, Bailments and Carriers, Security Rights, Property, Insurance, Banks and Banking, Bankruptcy, Crimes, Trade Regulation (1925))

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reason no professional teacher of agency can afford to over-
look the book, and judges and practicing attorneys can also study
it with profit. As an original intellectual product the text is de-
cidedly superior to the average hornbook; so much so, in fact that
the reviewer thinks it should have been published independently,
as a scholarly, argumentative treatise, advocating sweeping inno-
vations in concepts and terminology. Yet for this very reason the
work strikes the reviewer as too difficult and to contentious to be
put, as a basic text, into the hands of law students, particularly
students in part-time schools.

The publishers have omitted the customary table of cases,
thereby depriving everybody who wishes to use the book of a
valuable tool for quick reference. The reason is difficult to see,
unless it be some notion of economy. But if this be the cause the
underlying policy appears pennywise. Readers are not likely to favor
a book, advancing and developing so many new concepts, if natural
difficulties of orientation within the text are thus unnecessarily in-
creased. The present reviewer found the omission decidedly
exasperating.

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CASES ON BUSINESS LAW. By Ralph Stanley Bauer and Essel Ray
+ 1044.

This work is a companion to Britton and Bauer's Cases on
Business Law, published in 1922, which covered the most funda-
mental subjects in the law of business, namely, Contracts, Agency,
Negotiable Instruments, Sales, Partnership, and Corporations. The
new book devotes itself to Bailments and Carriers, Security Rights
in Rem and in Personam, Property, Insurance, Banks and Banking,
Bankruptcy, Crimes, and Regulation of Trade. Britton and
Bauer contained 1512, this later book, 997 pages of cases.

The scheme of treatment of each topic is a short introductory
statement by the authors, followed by the full text of judicial
opinions which illustrate problems thereunder. Occasionally the
statutory element is noticed, as in a typical statute on liens and
in the Uniform Conditional Sales Act. Footnotes are so rare as
to be negligible. At the front one finds a table of cases, at the
back a dictionary of legal terms and an index.

The selection of subjects and cases seems to have been made
with intelligence and discrimination. Necessarily the treatment
is sketchy. For example, to the subject of Equitable Estates and
Trusts are assigned six cases only. This is a characteristic of
Business Law as a course, and not a fault of the book. Students
who expect to engage in business and desire hints as to the legal
dangers in their course will here receive a valuable chart of many
of the shoals and rocks of modern commerce. They will learn
much about when and how to consult a lawyer.

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