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that "the public is acutely conscious of the traffic accident problem and is actively interested in its solution, "Los Angeles today being the number one spot of the nation in traffic fatalities!"

Among the author's conclusions there are some with which the average reader will readily agree, and others with which he will not. For example, most people will agree with Captain Gourley that "the more people actually know about their policemen, the better they like them," and that "Los Angeles Negroes take a dimmer view of their police department than do other ethnic groups." On the other hand, it may be questioned whether one of the aims of a well functioning police department is to make "every effort to create as many favorable contacts as possible," or whether "the citizens of Los Angeles feel that they have a very good police department." If the latter statement (which is based on feeling) were true, the survey probably would never have been undertaken.

While the conclusions are, largely, a matter of interpretation, the tabulations of the statistics are objective and unquestionably of paramount interest to the lay reader and the sociologist alike. They appear of such value that it should be emphasized that the book constitutes a major contribution to that quickly growing branch of sociology which deals with the police.

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