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responsibility on parents in other states. These practices are not in keeping with the Standard Juvenile Court Act, and the reviewer hopes that these actions will not develop into a trend—a trend in the wrong direction.

This guide is capable of raising debate which could lead to improvements in this field. Of course, its main aim is the presentation of current information on juvenile delinquency laws and courts in the United States. If it is used in conjunction with the newly revised Standard Juvenile Court Act, soon to be released, it should prove helpful to both professional workers and laymen interested in the treatment and prevention of juvenile delinquency.

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VOGUES IN VILLAINY: CRIME AND RETRIBUTION IN ANTE-BELLUM SOUTH CAROLINA. By *Jack Kenny Williams*. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 1959. Pp. VIII + 191. \$5.00.

The stories and information presented here will intrigue people of different interests and points

of view regarding crime. These may range from the social-psychologist to the lover of action in outdoor areas. In a society essentially conservative, it is interesting to observe how whipping, hanging, and branding would often make staid observers of individuals.

The book traces the patterns of lawlessness and the apparatus of legal enforcement within South Carolina during the period of 1790-1860, the ante-bellum decades. In a sense, South Carolina was typical of the Old South. Unique legal institutions or exceptional forms of anti-social behavior were non-existent.

Several conclusions deserve pointing up. While changed modes of punishment have been instituted, the lawbreaking experiences of today and ante-bellum crime have not changed measurably. Juvenile delinquents in the old days went free or suffered adult punishment for an adult crime.

There is an excellent description and evaluation of sources of information which will gladden the heart of investigators in the field.

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