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To the April number of the international book review quarterly, "Books Abroad", Professor David Lord of the University of Florida contributes the following review of "A Bibliography of the Collective Biography of Spanish America", by Miss Josefina del Toro, Assistant Librarian of the University of Puerto Rico and daughter of Chief Justice del Toro.



"While this excellent work does not claim to be exhaustive, it does contain all relevant material found in the Library of Congress, the New York Public Library, the Hispanic Society Library, the Puerto Rico University Library, and others, and is, for all general purposes, an adequate and well-arranged bibliography of the works of collective biography dealing with Spanish America. By collective biography, of course, is meant those works containing plural biographical studies of Spanish American figures.

"The first section includes general works, or those covering Spanish America as a whole, the second deals with Mexico, the third Central America, the fourth the West Indies, and the remainder the countries of South America is geographical order. An index of authors concludes the volume. The critical and explanatory notes appended to many of the items give added value to the bibliography."

In the same current number, "Books Abroad" reproduces the address, "Eugenio María de Hostos: His International Significance as Educator", delivered by Muna Lee de Muñoz Marín at the Hostos Monument on the University of Puerto Rico campus last August, before the World Conference of Education Associations. This address has also just been reproduced in its entirety in the Congressional Record, by request of Commissioner Bolívar Pagán.

Other items of interest to Puerto Ricans in this issue of "Books Abroad" are an interesting pen-sketch of Hostos by the talented Venezuelan-Oklahoman artists, Patricio Gimeno.