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new Republic of India and Mr. Nehru as chief of that republic during the past decade.

Siple, Paul A. *90° South*. New York, Putnam, 1959. 384 p.

This book is an interesting adventure account of the establishment and operation of the United States scientific station at the South Pole. The success of the mission was due to the combination of many years of planning and preparation plus the intense fortitude and devotion to duty of the Navy "Sea-bees" in the construction of the station in the face of almost impossible working conditions. The United States' contribution to the International Geophysical Year scientific program was enhanced greatly by this achievement, not to omit the prestige value of being the first country to establish itself on the polar cap. The author is an acknowledged expert on the subject of the Antarctic. Without his assistance as Scientific Leader the accomplishment of the mission would have been in doubt, and possibly the survival of the wintering-over party would itself have been jeopardized. He has described with understanding detail the day-to-day living under conditions of such extreme cold. He briefly covered the science program conducted by himself and the eight scientists, which comprised observations on weather, ionosphere, aurora and air glow, geomagnetism, seismology and glaciology. He also summarized the scientific objectives of the forty other IGY stations being maintained at Antarctica by eleven countries.

Munro, Leslie. *United Nations: Hope for a Divided World*. New York, Holt, 1960. 185 p.

Sir Leslie Munro, the author of *United Nations: Hope for a Divided World*, has had a distinguished career in the U. N. He was President of the Assembly in 1957 and 1958, as well as New Zealand's chief delegate to the United Nations. From his vantage point he has given his appraisal of the progress and accomplishments of the U. N. to date. As he indicates himself, this is not a book for scholars and international lawyers, but one designed to acquaint the general public with