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MONEY: THE HUMAN CONFLICT by Elgin Groseclose, '20as, University of Oklahoma Press, Norman, 1934. Pp. ix, 280. \$3.25.

IN his *Money: The Human Conflict*, Mr. Elgin Groseclose has written a very readable historical analysis of the problem of money. Within the short space of two hundred and eighty pages, the author traces the history of money from the time of the Greeks to the present. In dealing with each period, he describes the money mechanism and outlines the methods of control or the reasons for lack of control. The failures of particular societies to solve the problems of control are analyzed and reasons are deduced. The volume indicates quite clearly that the current distress is not due to particularly new causes but rather to aggravation of old ones. The background is used as a basis of understanding the present.

As the historical survey reaches the more recent past, the volume becomes more a critique of particular practices in modern society. His studies in recent monetary and banking history lead the author to the conclusion that "To control a nation's money is to control the nation." The reason for this conclusion is his conviction that it is through control of money that power is granted to one class or group to shift the ownership of wealth.

The present or more recent past of banking is carefully analyzed and as painstakingly denounced. The author points to the complicated system for the expansion of credit and points out that this has merely meant the expansion of debt. The basing of money upon the amount of outstanding debt is considered to be especially vicious and the author's permanent cure for the money evils would be the development of thrift on the part of the individual, society, and the nation.

The author contends that we must return to some form of intrinsic money based upon one metallic standard. To have a managed currency we cannot have money based upon a conglomeration of standards such as two metals: gold and silver, bank credit, and governmental debt. The complex character of modern world economy must be based upon a simple medium of value in order that we may destroy the subterfuge of modern banking.

The University of Oklahoma Press is to be congratulated upon the addition of this volume to its excellent collection. As usual, the press has given us a volume of unusual beauty. The author, who is an alumnus and faculty member of the University of

Oklahoma, is to be congratulated for having made a complex problem clear, and for having done so in a relatively short space and in a most readable style.

R. J. DANGERFIELD.

Authors on the Air

"Authors Night" was celebrated over the University radio station, WNAD, early in December when four authors of publications released this fall and winter by the University of Oklahoma Press spoke during a program.

Dr. Joseph P. Blickensderfer, professor of English, was master of ceremonies and introduced to the radio audience Dr. W. B. Bizzell whose book, *The Relations of Learning*, was released late in December by the University Press.

Others on the program were Grant Foreman, Muskogee historian; Walter S. Campbell, honorary alumnus and English department faculty member; and Dr. Elgin S. Groseclose, '20as, a member of the college of business administration staff.

The program also celebrated the doubling of the power of the University radio station. It is now operating on one thousand watts. Previously, it was only five hundred watts. With the additional power it is expected to have a much wider range of reception.

Tropical Pool

I would run swiftly past the blossomy
copse
Whence the rose-apple's incredible sweet-
ness rises;
Down the curved path with its sudden
crude surprises
Of scent and color; out where the cane-
field stops,
With purple ranks checked by the wind-
break showing
Scarlet streamers of mango and deep coral
Pennons and streamers of bloom from the
rose-laurel,
And creepers in piled vermilion masses
glowing.
And slipping heedless through that riot of
bloom
Bright colors uttered shrilly as a shriek,
I would glide through to the peace of the
fern-hung gloom
At the green-pool—roofed over, walled
with green
Of a multitude of ferns whose hushed
fronds lean
To catch the reiterate word the waters
speak.

—By Muna Lee, '14ex, University of
Puerto Rico, in the *Woman's Press*