research, methodological tips, and examples of interviews and questionnaires do not add up to a comprehensive handbook to the art.

Despite its limitations, the book is a welcome addition to the growing literature on the diverse pasts of Pennsylvania's people. Oblinger's work should encourage others to take up similar "grassroots" studies.

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Both of these Pennsylvania bibliographies will be welcomed by students, teachers, librarians, researchers, and historians alike. Dissertations are sometimes overlooked by researchers because of the unavailability of the indexes. The thirty-seven-volume comprehensive Dissertation Index, 1861-1972 (Ann Arbor: University Microfilms, 1973) and the nine-volume Dissertation Abstracts International, 1861-1972 (Ann Arbor, 1970) are not available in many of the smaller libraries. Baumann now makes the research of Pennsylvania dissertations easily available to smaller libraries and institutions with small budgets.

The author has divided the subject matter into eleven categories. The dissertations are arranged alphabetically by author under each category. The subjects are: general, colonial America, Revolution, early national, Jacksonian and middle period, Civil War and Reconstruction, Gilded Age and Progressive period, twentieth-century America, ethnic, religion, and education. Some items appear in more than one category. There is an author index but not an index to the titles themselves. It would have been helpful had the department for which the dissertation was written been included.

It is hoped that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Com-
mission will continue to update this bibliography as it has continued to update Norman B. Wilkinson's *Bibliography of Pennsylvania*.

Wilkinson's *Bibliography of Pennsylvania* was published in 1957 by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. This work covered writings through 1952. In 1976, Carol Wall produced a supplement, *Bibliography of Pennsylvania History: A Supplement*, covering the years 1953 through 1965. Trussell's 1979 update brings Pennsylvania history up almost to the present, covering the years 1966 through 1970. Other additions are planned in this series.

Following the pattern of the earlier works, this bibliography is arranged chronologically, and then by subject, as follows: economics; social, cultural; politics, government; biography; and special events. The time periods differ slightly from the earlier works. There is a section under special studies which covers local history by county, church history, and ethnic groups, among other subjects.

This also is a worthwhile bibliographic tool and will be well received by those who rely on such compilations.

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