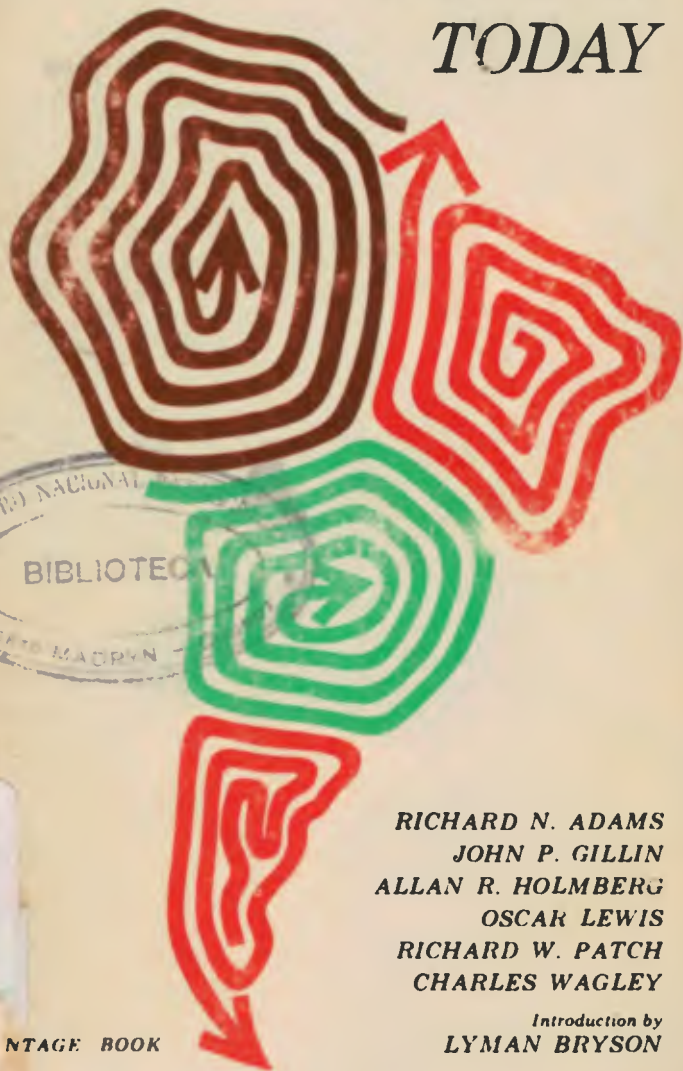


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FOR
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STATES
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The countries of Latin America are caught up today in a complex process of social change, and these changes pose many new problems to U. S. policy-making. Traditional ruling classes have been losing ground, and new social groups are growing in numbers and political strength.

What lies behind the rise and fall of "strong men" in Latin American politics? To what extent is social change preparing the way for a wide sharing of economic and cultural opportunities, and for an orderly participation of broader segments of the people in the management of their governments? In what ways do the drastic social changes in Latin America affect U. S. policy? The six essays collected here provide some new and penetrating answers to these and other extremely important questions.

Under the auspices of the Council on Foreign Relations, six leading students of Latin American society, each with many years of first-hand experience in the area, have analyzed the forces that are re-shaping the societies of Latin America and have highlighted their meaning for American policy. The authors are: John P. Gillin, University of Pittsburgh; Allan R. Holmberg, Cornell University; Richard W. Patch, American University Field Staff; Charles Wagley, Columbia University; Richard N. Adams, Michigan State University; and Oscar Lewis, University of Illinois. The collection is engagingly introduced by the late noted educator, Lyman Bryson.

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