CONTINUOUS REVISION—

The fortieth anniversary year of Columbia College's Contemporary Civilization course is continuing one of its strongest traditions—revision. The two-year course in the political culture of the West, which is required of all freshmen and sophomores, has been constantly updated since 1919.

The current re-evaluation involves revision of the six volumes of text used in the course and consideration of general problems involved in the program's future.

The first revised volume of readings, collected and edited by Columbia staff and entitled "Introduction to Contemporary Civilization in the West," will be ready for use by next year's freshmen. It will cover the period from the late Middle Ages to 1914. The second volume, to be issued the following spring, "may well include a survey of the last fifty years," according to Bernard Wishy, head of the Revision Committee. Revision of the other four volumes of readings and background materials will be completed by the fall of 1961.

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