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Noth, Martin, The Laws in the Pentateuch and Other Essays (Oliver & Boyd: Edinburgh and London) A translation of Gesammelte Studien zum Alten Testament by Noth, first published by Chr. Kaiser Verlag, Munich 1957, second enlarged edition 1960. Trans. made by D. R. Ap-Thomas.

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p. 83 Footnote 198. Contrary to the usual view, P is in my opinion to be considered a purely narrative source which originally contained no laws, but aimed at providing a description of the arrangements and ordinances at Sinai, for which the pre-Sinaitic history with its various covenants and associated introduction of precultic ordinances merely supplied a general introduction. The "priestly laws", literally speaking, were inserted at a secondary stage, and it is quite questionable whether - apart from Lev. XVI - they had ever been included in the separate P narrative. Their stylistic and material relationship to the P narrative arises from similarity of milieu.

Buck, Harry M., People of the Lord (The Macmillan Co., New York) 1966

p. 413 Exodus 20.8-11, the priestly version of the sabbath commandment, supplements this prologue, maintaining that when Israel observes the sabbath, Israel is participating in the creative power of God and accepting the eternal destiny he has laid upon her.