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#### Economics

THE AMERICAN TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM—Harold G. Moulton and Associates—Brookings Institution, LXIX, 915 p., \$3. With remarkable speed Dr. Moulton and his associates have produced a volume of permanent importance on the American transportation situation. The report of the National Transportation Committee is, of course, included.

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#### Archaeology

THE ANCIENT SYNAGOGUE OF BETH ALPHA—Eleazar L. Sukenik—Oxford University Press, 58 p., 27 pl., \$10. Much interest was aroused when the Hebrew University excavated this Jewish synagogue in Palestine and described its remarkable mosaic pavement featuring Bible pictures. Prof. Sukenik's report now shows these examples of Jewish art in fine plates, some in color, and in numerous smaller illustrations. The synagogue was standing in the sixth century A. D., and was destroyed by earthquake. Architectural features preserved in the ruins present some new thoughts on synagogue construction, and are described in detail in the report.

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# Geology

KYANITE IN VIRGINIA, Bulletin No. 38—Geology of the Kyanite Belt, by Anna I. Jonas, and Economic Aspects of Kyanite, by Joel H. Watkins—Virginia Geological Survey, 52 p., Free in Virginia; postage elesewhere, 4c.

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## Mathematics

INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA—Joseph B. Orleans and Walter W. Hart—D. C. Heath, 294 p., \$1.32. A textbook for a second course in algebra.

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# Engineering—Economics

THE ECONOMICS OF TECHNOCRACY—Aaron Director—University of Chicago Press, 27 p., 25c. This number 2 of the "Public Policy Pamphlets" is a post-mortem on technocracy and a contribution to the economics of the present crisis.

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#### Medical Economics

THE ABILITY TO PAY FOR MEDICAL CARE—Louis S. Reed—University of Chicago Press, 107 p., \$2. Publication of the Committee on Costs of Medical Care. Interesting facts and figures on the incomes of American families and how they are spent.

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#### Medical Economics

THE INCIDENCE OF ILLNESS AND THE RECEIPT AND COSTS OF MEDICAL CARE AMONG REPRESENTATIVE FAMILIES—I. S. Falk, Margaret C. Klem, Nathan Sinai—*University of Chicago Press*, 327 p., \$3. Publication of the Committee on the Costs of Medical Care.

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#### Ethnology

THE TANALA, A HILL TRIBE OF MADAGASCAR — Ralph Linton—Field Museum, 334 p., \$2.25. The first comprehensive report on a tribe that has kept alive a simple culture, apparently archaic. The tribe is one of those closely studied by the Marshall Field Anthropological Expedition to Madagascar, which sought especially for clues to the early Malayan culture. Madagascar was the westernmost point reached by Malayan peoples.

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# $\mathbf{Zeology} ext{-}\mathbf{Botany}$

ZOOLOGICAL PARKS, AQUARIUMS AND BOTANICAL GARDENS—L. C. Everard —Am. Ass. of Museums, 72 þ., \$1. This list, comprising most of the zoological parks, aquariums and botanical gardens of the United States, fills a long-felt want. Compact information is given on such things as sponsorship, age, and size of each establishment, with number of species on display and number of visitors attending.

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## Geology-Engineering

STABILIZATION OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY—Leonard M. Logan, Jr.— University of Oklahoma Press, 248 p., \$2.50. Of current interest because of the crisis in the oil industry.

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