

• First Glances at New Books

Anthropology

JABO PROVERBS FROM LIBERIA, MAXIMS IN THE LIFE OF A NATIVE TRIBE—George Herzog—*Oxford Univ. Press*, 272 p., \$2.50. By their proverbs we can get well acquainted with this remarkable African tribe. Dr. Herzog quotes hundreds of these pithy and penetrating sayings that the Jabo casually use in arguing law cases, or in philosophically settling any problem, personal or general. Each item is quoted, translated, and explained.

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Travel

THE FLIGHT OF "BIG HORSE"—Sven Hedin—*Dutton*, 248 p., illus., \$3.75. To his well known books on Asiatic exploration, Dr. Hedin adds this remarkable and exciting account of how he became entangled in fierce Chinese civil war, in 1934. "Big Horse" named in the title was the young general leading revolt against a despot ruler.

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Science-Teaching

NATURE MAGAZINE'S GUIDE TO SCIENCE TEACHING—E. Laurence Palmer—*American Nature Association*, 128 p., \$1. A compact guide for general science teachers in elementary and junior high schools.

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Entomology

SPIDERS AND THEIR KIN—E. Laurence Palmer—*N. Y. State College of Agriculture*, 32 p., 10c. if obtained direct from Cornell Rural School Leaflet, N. Y. State College of Agr., Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. An especially valuable feature is the tabulated arrangement of essential information about the principal great groups of arachnids.

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Mental Hygiene

HOW TO WORRY SUCCESSFULLY—David Seabury—*Little, Brown*, 358 p., \$2.50. By a lecturer and popular writer on psychological subjects.

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Radio

THE RADIO AMATEUR'S HANDBOOK (14th ed.)—*American Radio Relay League*, 536 p., paper \$1, buckram \$2.50. The 1937 "Bible" for amateur radio operators contains extensive revisions necessitated by the sweeping changes in amateur radio practice. Most of the chapters have been entirely re-

written and all of them have been thoroughly modernized. Two hundred new illustrations are included. Of interest will be the new section on developments in noise silencers for short-wave receivers, a new technical trend in circuit design.

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Mineralogy

DIRECTORY OF AMERICAN MINERAL AND GEM COLLECTORS AND COLLECTIONS—William C. McKinley, Comp.—*Pub. by Wm. C. McKinley, 730-B-4th St., Peoria, Ill.*, 26 p., 10c. if obtained direct from publisher.

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Ethnology

A 17TH CENTURY LETTER OF GABRIEL DIAZ VARA CALDERÓN, BISHOP OF CUBA, DESCRIBING THE INDIANS AND INDIAN MISSIONS OF FLORIDA—Transcribed and translated by Lucy L. Wenhold—*Smithsonian Inst.*, 14 p., 12 plates, 20c.

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Research

DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS ACCEPTED BY AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES, 1935-1936—Donald B. Gilchrist, Ed.—*Wilson*, 102 p., \$2. Compiled for the National Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies by the Association of Research Libraries.

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Chemistry

TRANSACTIONS OF THE INSTITUTION OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERS, VOL. 13, 1935—*Institution of Chemical Engineers*, London, 235 p., illus. Now available is the reprint summary of this meeting held in London, February 22, 1935. Explosives manufacture, glass, distilleries, spray drying, and welding are among the topics discussed.

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Botany

CHECK-LIST OF PLANTS OF GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK (Rev. ed.)—*Grand Canyon Natural History Assn., Grand Canyon National Park, Ariz.*, 75 p., 50c. Obtainable by purchase direct from publishers.

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Nature Stories

ANIMAL LIFE IN THE WILDERNESS—Howard L. Hastings—*Cupples & Leon*, 314 p., illus., \$2. Two boys are taken on all sorts of thrilling adventure-trips into all the world's big-game lands, from the Canadian Arctic to the South African bush. Most of the shooting is done with cameras, there are some "bring-'em-back-alive" stories, with just a few cartridges fired in emergencies. There are a lot of lively black-and-white illustrations, and four colored plates.

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Botany

PLANT PROPAGATION FOR THE GARDEN—David C. Fairburn—*Double-day, Doran*, 115 p., \$1. A compact but comprehensive little book that will help any gardener, amateur or professional, to "have good luck" with his cuttings, transplants, and sensitive seedlings. Clear line illustrations help to show how.

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Physiology—Piano Technique

THE RIDDLE OF THE PIANIST'S FINGER, AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO A TOUCH-SCHEME—Arnold Schultz—*Univ. of Chicago Press*, 317 p., \$3.50. A technical work of interest principally to pianists and teachers of piano.

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Dietetics

APPLIED DIETETICS, THE PLANNING AND TEACHING OF NORMAL AND THERAPEUTIC DIETS—Frances Stern—*Williams & Wilkins*, 263 p., \$3.50. Designed primarily for nurses, dietitians and home economics workers, this book might also prove useful to others who must plan special diets.

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Pharmacy

EPITOME OF THE PHARMACOPEIA OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE NATIONAL FORMULARY WITH COMMENTS—Robert A. Hatcher—*American Medical Assn.*, 240 p., 60c. A useful handbook for busy physicians; of no interest to lay readers.

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