First Glances at New Books

Geography

ALASKA, Its History, Resources, Geography, and Government — Mariette Shaw Pilgrim—Caxton, 296 p., \$3. Written particularly for school children in upper grades in Alaska, to teach them essential facts about their territory, this book will interest others who want the same basic material on Alaska. The author is a former principal in an Alaskan city school.

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Geography

THE LURE OF ALASKA — Harry A. Franck-Stokes, 306 p., \$3.50. An experienced travel writer tells of his Alaskan wanderings and sight-seeings, presenting a great deal of fact information in a very pleasant form. Any one planning a visit to Alaska may find useful suggestions here, also.

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Anthropology

Anthropology and Religion — Peter Henry Buck-Yale Univ. Press, 96 p., \$1.50. The birth, growth, and decay of Polynesian religion is the subject chosen by Dr. Buck, director of the Bernice P. Bishop Museum in Honolulu, for this group of Terry Lectures. The Terry Lectures at Yale deal with "religion in the light of science and philosophy."

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Geography

North Again For Gold, Birth of Canada's Arctic Empire-Edgar Laytha-Stokes, 360 p., \$3. A news correspondent who has found some vigorous and exciting pioneering being done in the Canadian North tells about it. A new "mineral empire" is being developed up there, and new types of prospectors and settlers are taking part in this latest frontier adventure.

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Botany

SUPPLEMENT TO ROOT NODULE BAC-TERIA AND LEGUMINOUS PLANTS—Edwin Broun Fred, Ira Lawrence Baldwin and Elizabeth McCoy-Univ. of Wisconsin Press, 40 p., 50c. A bibliography of the literature in this important field, covering the period 1932-1938.

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Notes on the Hunting Economy of THE ABITIBI INDIANS-William H. Jenkins-Catholic Univ. of America, 31 p., 60c. (Anthropological Series, No. 9.)

Accounts of the ingenious traps used by a northern Indian tribe, of the equally ingenious magic employed to induce animals to enter them, and of the uses made of the captures.

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Geophysics

Transactions of the American Geo-PHYSICAL UNION, 1939—National Research Council, 740 p., Vol. I, \$1.25, Vol. II, \$1, Vol. III, \$1.75, Vol. IV, \$1.75, set, \$5. A great deal of important data, not available elsewhere, is preserved in these reports.

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Zoology-Anatomy

ATLAS AND DISSECTION GUIDE FOR THE STUDY OF THE ANATOMY OF DOMESTIC Animals — H. L. Foust — Collegiate Press, 27 pl., \$1.75. Although intended primarily for classes in veterinary medicine, this manual is worth having in any zoology laboratory because of the excellence of its illustrations.

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Paleontology

THE PTARMIGANIA STRATA OF THE Northern Wasatch Mountains -Charles Elmer Resser — Smithsonian Inst., 72 p., 50c. (Smithsonian Misc. Coll., Vol., 98, No. 24)

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Anthropology

The Apinayé — Curt Nimuendajú — Catholic Univ. of America, 189 p., \$2.50 (Anthropological Series, No. 8). Translated by Dr. Robert H. Lowie, this study deals with the social organization of a little-known Brazilian Indian tribe.

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Ornithology

THE PRIVATE LIVES OF BIRDS—Henry Smith Williams—McBride, 270 p., \$3. Records of understanding and sympathetic observations of bird-ways, with many good illustrations, partly in color. A good gift book, if you number a birdlover among your acquaintance.

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Malacology

FIELDBOOK OF ILLINOIS LAND SNAILS-Frank Collins Baker — Illinois Natural History Survey Division, 166 p., \$1. Collectors who "just want interesting shells" and animal ecologists who are interested in problems of distribution will alike find this handy manual of value.

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History

A HISTORY OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION, From Ancient Greece Through the Renaissance, Vol. I-Arthur P. Watts-Prentice-Hall, 786 p., \$5. A well-rounded history text, starting with the Greeks and following through to the end of the Renaissance, where presumably volume two will take up the theme. With the world feeling very analytic over civilization, this type of book is likely to attract not merely students but also a sizable section of the general public.

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History

FOUNDATIONS OF WESTERN CIVILIZA-TION—William J. Bossenbrook and Rolf Johannesen-Heath, 695 p., \$3.75. What lies back of modern civilization—the forces, and the inherited and created activities which successive civilizations have experienced—is the dynamic theme of this timely history. The cultural phases are especially well illustrated on picture pages.

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Psychology
WORDS THAT WON THE WAR, The Story of the Committee on Public Information, 1917-1919—James R. Mock and Cedric Larson - Princeton Univ. Press, 372 p., \$3.75. See page 340.

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THE INTEGRATION OF THE PERSONALITY -Carl G. Jung-Farrar and Rinehart, 313 p., \$3. See page 345.

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Agriculture—Geography

Agricultural Atlas of Sweden — Olof Jonasson, Ernst Höijer and Thure Björkman—Bonnier, 176 p., \$1.50. Everybody is interested in Sweden, as one of the most highly civilized and really successful nations in the world. Despite limited area and soils that are frequently poor, Swedish agriculture stands on a par with Swedish industry. This compact book, telling how it was accomplished, will command a keenly attentive audience.

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FIELD GUIDE TO LOWER AQUARIUM Animals — Edward T. Boardman -Cranbrook Inst. of Science, 186 p., \$1.50, cloth, \$1, paper. Useful alike to beginning classes in hydrobiology and to the field naturalist working "on his own".

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