First Glances at New Books

AERONAUTICS-ENGINEERING

AIRPLANE METAL WORK, Vol. 2, Airplane Sheet Metal Shop Practice—Alex M. Robson—Van Nostrand, 109 p., illus., \$1.25. Books such as this should be immensely valuable in training the thousands of new workers in the aircraft industry. This, for example, contains very practical and specific directions as to what to do in the operations of the sheet metal shop.

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RADIO

Your Career in Radio—Norman V. Carlisle and Conrad C. Rice—Dutton, 189 p., illus., \$2. Student advisers concerned with vocational guidance will often refer to this book boys and girls who are thinking of radio as a career, for its various phases are described in an interesting manner.

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TECH NOLOGY

Traffic Management (Rev. ed.)—G. Lloyd Wilson — Appleton-Century, 453 p., \$3.50. This now standard text has been brought up to date with particular attention to changes in the law and in freight claims.

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ENGINEERING—ECONOMICS

A. S. T. M. Conversion Tables for Kinematic and Saybolt Universal Viscosities, 10 p., 25c; A. S. T. M. Viscosity Index Tables, 31 p., 50c.—American Society for Testing Materials.

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ASTRONOMY

ASTRONOMICAL PAPERS PREPARED FOR THE USE OF THE AMERICAN EPHEMERIS AND NAUTICAL ALMANAC—U. S. Nautical Almanac Office, Naval Observatory—Govt. Print. Off., 130 p., 30c (Vol. X, Pt. II, Catalog of 3539 Zodiacal Stars for the Equinox 1950.0).

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ZOOLOGY

THE LUNGFISH AND THE UNICORN, AN Excursion into Romantic Zoology—Willy Ley—Modern Age Books, 305 p., \$2.75. See p. 280.

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PHOTOGRAPHY

The Art of Retouching and Improving Negatives and Prints (14th ed.)—Robert Johnson; Arthur Hammond, rev.—Amer. Photographic Pub. Co., 158 p., \$2.50. These tested directions should be used only when the photographer has

done his best to get a perfect photograph without such time-consuming aids.

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ENTOMOLOGY

Insects and their Stories — Harry Hoogstraal—Crowell, 144 p., illus., \$2. Very readable popular accounts of a number of insects, ranging all the way from housefly to cecropia moth, with many full-page illustrations reproduced by offset from excellent photographs. An excellent book to read as the season approaches in which you are going to become acquainted with many insects — whether you desire it or not.

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SOCIOLOGY

SOCIAL WORK YEAR BOOK, 1941—Russell H. Kurtz, ed.—Russell Sage Foundation, 793 p., \$3.25. Part I of this encyclopedic reference volume contains 83 signed articles prepared by authorities on various aspects of social work. The second section is a directory of national and state agencies.

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SCIENCE

Science Interests and Activities of Adolescents—Herbert S. Zim—Ethical Culture Schools, New York, 256 p., \$2.50. The report of a study begun in 1934 as part of a research program of the Commission on Secondary School Curriculum of the Progressive Education Association. The research was based on many thousands of contacts with adolescent students.

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PSYCHIATRY

PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORK — Lois Meredith French—Commonwealth Fund, 344 p., \$2.25. The report of a study sponsored by the American Association of Psychiatric Social Workers. It tells where and how such work is being conducted.

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PROPAGANDA

FIFTH COLUMN IN AMERICA—Harold Lavine—Doubleday, Doran, 240 p., \$2.50. The editorial director of the Institute for Propaganda Analysis describes what he believes to be anti-democratic movements in this country and the personalities behind them. The author feels that the "fifth-columnists" of greatest danger to America are not alien spies, but insidious anti-democratic influences growing on our own soil.

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CONOMICS

UNEMPLOYMENT AND THE UNEMPLOYED—H. W. Singer—Chemical Pub. Co., 152 p., \$2.75. This is a book written about the England before the war. Unemployment may not be the most immediate problem in England or in America at this moment, but so far as thinking men can foresee the problems of the future after the war, unemployment will again have to be faced and wrestled with. It is a problem that is only temporarily eclipsed by war and is intimately bound up with the present troubles and future fate of the whole world.

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ECONOMICS

FOUNDATIONS OF AMERICAN POPULA-TION POLICY—Frank Lorimer, Ellen Winston and Louis K. Kiser—Harper, 178 p., \$2.50. The Committee on Population Studies and Social Planning of the National Economic and Social Planning Association outline a logical framework for a national population policy for the United States. Both quantity and quality of population are given consideration and constructive measures are suggested.

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ECONOMICS

STUDIES IN WAR ECONOMICS — International Labour Office, 199 p., \$1. Since the war began, the work of the International Labour Office has been devoted largely to the economic and social problems of wartime. This volume contains studies written by members of the office staff in the course of their work on problems which are the chief concern of workers, employers and governments, published without delay to be useful.

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GEOGRAPHY-ECONOMICS

The European Possessions in the Caribbean Area—Raye R. Platt, John K. Wright, John C. Weaver and Johnson E. Fairchild—Amer. Geographical Soc., 112 p., map., \$1. Expertly written reference material on much-discussed Caribbean lands. Scope of the publication is best described in the sub-title: "A Compilation of Facts Concerning Their Population, Physical Geography, Resources, Industries, Trade, Government, and Strategic Importance."

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BIOLOG

BIOLOGY WORKBOOK—B. B. Vance, C. A. Barker, D. F. Miller; W. R. Teeters, ed.—*Lippincott*, 316 p., 92c.

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