

•First Glances at New Books

MEDICINE

THE MAN WHO LIVED FOR TOMORROW, A Biography of William Hallock Park—Wade W. Oliver—*Dutton*, 507 p., \$3.75. This is the story not only of William Hallock Park but of the fight waged by him and his assistants in the Bureau of Laboratories of New York's Health Department and by bacteriologists and other scientists all over the world to protect the lives and health of men, women and children threatened by such plagues as diphtheria, tuberculosis, typhoid fever, influenza and other communicable diseases. It is an exciting story of discovery and of application of discovery in methods of health protection.

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GENERAL SCIENCE

AMERICA PREPARES FOR TOMORROW, The Story of Our Total Defense Effort—William Dow Boutwell, B. P. Brodinsky and others—*Harper*, 612 p., \$3.50. A sort of detailed guide and handbook to America preparing to defend itself. Not much science as such, but it is a good springboard for those who have not kept up with Washington. Almost daily supplements are needed, however.

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AGRICULTURE

WE WANTED A FARM—M. G. Kains—*Greenberg*, 228 p., \$2. Anyone who has ever wished they had a farm or hoped to have one will be interested in reading how one couple tried their hand, first, at suburban gardening and finally bought and ran successfully the farm of their dreams.

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ECONOMICS

YOUR INCOME TAX, 1942 ed.—J. K. Lasser—*Simon and Schuster*, 144 p., \$1. Millions more, around March 15, 1942 will need such first aid as this.

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POLITICAL SCIENCE

A QUEST FOR INTERNATIONAL ORDER—Jackson H. Ralston—*John Byrne and Co.*, 205 p., \$2. A discussion of international law and affairs with the desire of finding a way that the world can be run without war.

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PSYCHOLOGY

DECIDE FOR YOURSELF, A Packet of Original Materials on a National Issue, Selected From the Literature of Major

Interest Groups by the Institute for Propaganda Analysis — *Institute for Propaganda Analysis, Inc.*, \$1 per packet. These packages of propaganda material with analysis are issued 12 times a year. You can subscribe to them or can get single packages. One, on "Negroes are asking about democracy," contains samples of propaganda on both sides of this burning American social question together with material intended to aid you in evaluating them.

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PHOTOGRAPHY

PHOTOGRAPHY AS A VOCATION — Andrew B. Hecht and George J. Berkowitz — *Science Research Associates*, 48 p., illus., 50c. One of a series of booklets on occupations in America intended as an aid in the selection of a career.

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PALEONTOLOGY

PALEOZOIC GASTROPOD GENOTYPES—J. Brookes Knight—*Geological Society of America*, 510 p., 96 pl., illus., \$4.50. Describing and figuring as it does one of the most important groups of key fossils, this monograph will be eagerly welcomed alike by paleontologists and students of historical, structural and economic geology. Rendition of texture in the plates is excellent; it is the next best thing to handling the specimens themselves.

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GEOGRAPHY

1941 YEARBOOK, PARK AND RECREATION PROGRESS—U. S. National Park Service—*Govt. Print. Off.*, 92 p., illus., 40c. A progress report, telling what national and local recreation officials find practical and worth doing for the American people. Experiences with such matters as roadside development, historic house restoration, and camp programs for city boys, are among topics discussed.

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MATHEMATICS—FINANCE

THE MATHEMATICS OF FINANCE—Llewellyn Rood Perkins and Ruth Marion Perkins—*Wiley*, 321 p., \$3.25. A handbook for those working in the field of finance, although written primarily for use in colleges and business schools by students who have a good grounding in algebra. There are many tables and formulas which have been presented with an eye to mechanical computation.

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ASTRONOMY

BETWEEN THE PLANETS—Fletcher G. Watson—*Blakiston*, 222 p., illus., \$2.50. Comets, meteors, and asteroids; where do they come from and what are they doing wandering about among our planets like lost souls? These and many other questions are answered in this book, one of the nine "Harvard Books on Astronomy," edited by Dr. Harlow Shapley and Dr. Bart J. Bok. Actually, we are told, their motions though confusing are just as orderly and gravitationally controlled as those of the more sedate planets—and they are made of the same stuff.

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ETHNOLOGY

MARRIED LIFE IN AN AFRICAN TRIBE—I. Schapera—*Sheridan House*, 364 p., illus., \$3.50. An ethnological account of marriage as it was among the Kgatla of South Africa before white men arrived, and how it has since changed, with a summing up of gains and losses in the process.

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MATHEMATICS

MATHEMATICS, Its Magic and Mastery—Aaron Bakst—*Van Nostrand*, 790 p., \$3.95. Besides entertaining the reader with the curious and amusing, this book aims also to interest him in mathematics by exhibiting its uses in everyday life, in business, science and industry. The approach is historical and the range is through trigonometry and logarithms. Problems and puzzles are given for the reader to solve—with answers in the back of the book.

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ICHTHYOLOGY

RETURN TO THE RIVER, A Story of the Chinook Run—Roderick L. Haig-Brown—*Morrow*, 248 p., illus., \$3. An account of the Chinook salmon and the fisheries dependent on that species, smoothly woven into narrative form and superbly illustrated. One can learn a lot about a magnificent fish from this book—and get a great deal of enjoyment out of the learning.

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BOTANY

CHICLE, JELUTONG AND ALLIED MATERIALS—E. H. G. Smith—*Imperial Institute; Available through British Library of Information*, 22 p., 30c.

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