

First Glances at New Books

► AS KNOWLEDGE is advanced concerning mental illnesses and those who suffer from them, more accurate diagnoses and a better identification of mental diseases becomes possible. In *PERSONALITY AND MENTAL ILLNESS*, (*Emerson Books*, \$2.75), Dr. John Bowlby, British psychiatrist, gives the basis for a clearer understanding of this problem, built from observation of the lives and personalities of patients before as well as after their illnesses developed. He lists traits of personality which seem to mark the boy or girl who will later become mentally ill.

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► STRANGELY, the myth of a "superior" race is traced in *MAN'S MOST DANGEROUS MYTH*, by M. F. Ashley-Montagu (*Columbia University Press*, \$2.25), to the champions of slavery in England and later in America, France and Holland. At that time in Germany, the dangers of such loose and prejudiced utterances were vigorously denounced by such thinkers as Kant, Hardenberg, Herder, Goethe and Novalis. If you are interested in exploring the background

that made the Germans fall for the myth as others were recovering from such unscientific thinking, you will want to read this clear review of the history of the race pseudoscience.

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► ARE YOU SCARED? Of course you are. In these days fear is a constant companion with which we might as well get acquainted. In *VICTORY OVER FEAR*, (*Reynal & Hitchcock*, \$2), John Dollard, Yale psychologist, tells you of practical things to do about your own fears—how you can actually get them to work for you as a result of self-study.

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► PRACTICAL ADVICE for women on war-time dressing is found in *HOW TO DRESS IN WARTIME*, by Winifred Raushenbush (*Coward McCann*, \$2). A useful part of the book is the appendix, which includes War Production Board tables and data on the conservation of clothes. Four government agencies have checked on the author's conclusions on the clothing problem.

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Just Off the Press

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS, THEIR USE AND INTERPRETATION—A. J. Eardley—*Harper*, 203 p., illus., \$2.75. Beautifully illustrated book on a war-important subject intended particularly for those who have some knowledge of geology.

AMERICA AT WAR—Samuel Van Valkenburg—*Prentice-Hall*, 296 p., illus., \$2.50.

AMERICAN GEOPHYSICAL UNION TRANSACTIONS OF 1942: Part 1—REPORTS AND PAPERS, JOINT REGIONAL MEETINGS, SECTION OF HYDROLOGY—*National Research Council, National Academy of Sciences*, 171 p., illus., \$1.25.

AMERICANS VS. GERMANS: THE FIRST AEF IN ACTION—Edward S. Johnston and others—*Penguin Books and Infantry Journal*, 189 p., 25c.

A.S.T.M. STANDARDS ON COAL AND COKE—Committee D-5—*American Society For Testing Materials*, 122 p., \$1.35.

AND KEEP YOUR POWDER DRY: AN ANTHROPOLOGIST LOOKS AT AMERICA—Margaret Mead—*Morrow*, 274 p., \$2.50.

BETTER RURAL CAREERS (National ed.)—Paul W. Chapman—*Science Research Associates*, 264 p., illus., 96c. For young people from grade 6 and up.

BOOK OF MODERN WARPLANES—Harold H. Booth—*Garden City*, 25 p., illus., \$1. Realistic colored plates and brief descriptions which should aid in identification.

A CAREER IN ENGINEERING—Lowell O. Stewart—*Science Research Associates*, 48

p., illus., 1-3 copies, 60c each, 4-9, 55c; 10-24, 45c; 25 or more, 40c each. Occupational monograph no. 30 of the American Job Series for young people who intend to follow a technical career.

CLIMATOLOGY—Thomas A. Blair—*Prentice-Hall*, 484 p., \$5.00.

CONTRACEPTION AND FERTILITY IN THE SOUTHERN APPALACHIANS—Gilbert Wheeler Beebe—*Williams & Wilkins*, 274 p., \$2.50.

CONTROLLED ATMOSPHERES—*American Society for Metals*, 232 p., illus., \$4. Contains the papers and discussions constituting the symposium on controlled atmospheres presented before the 23rd annual convention of the American Society for Metals held in Philadelphia in 1941.

ELECTRICAL COUNTING, WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO COUNTING ALPHA AND BETA PARTICLES—W. B. Lewis—*Cambridge Univ. Press*, 144 p., \$2.50.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE: AUDIO-VISUAL AND TEACHING AIDS—compiled by L. Patricia Brach and others—*New Jersey State Teachers College*, 34 p., 50c. Mimeographed.

FOOD PROCESSING—A. O. Duncan—*Turner E. Smith*, 544 p., illus., \$3.00. A guide to selecting, producing, preserving and storing the family food supply. Text book.

GERMAN PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE—Ladislav Farago and others—*Putnam's*, 302 p., \$3. Prepared by the Committee on National Morale.

GOALS FOR AMERICA—Stuart Chase—*Twentieth Century Fund*—134 p., \$1.

GOOD NUTRITION FOR EVERYBODY—L. Jean Bogert—*Univ. Chicago Press*, 165 p., \$1.50. "A working knowledge of nutrition for every woman." Includes recipes.

THE HORMONES IN HUMAN REPRODUCTION—George W. Corner—*Princeton Univ. Press*, 265 p., illus., \$2.75.

HOW EVERY BOY CAN PREPARE FOR AVIATION SERVICE—Keith Ayling—*Garden City*, 125 p., illus., 50c. High school students and younger boys.

HOW TO BE FIT—Robert Kiphuth—*Yale Univ. Press*, 131 p., illus., \$2. Exercises for boys and men.

HOW TO TEACH NUTRITION TO CHILDREN—Mary Pfaffmann and Frances Stern—*M. Barrows & Co.*, 224 p., \$2.

JEWELRY, GEM CUTTING AND METALCRAFT—William T. Baxter—*Whittlesey*, 287 p., illus., \$2.75. New revised edition.

MANUAL OF WAR-TIME HYGIENE—Dean Franklin Smiley and Adrian Gordon Gould—*Macmillan*, 86 p., \$1. Supplement to "A College Textbook of Hygiene." This pamphlet provides a "brief summary and bibliography of those materials which a college student should add to his regular college hygiene course in order that he may be equipped to meet his health responsibilities as an officer in the Armed Forces or in Civilian Defense work in the years immediately following his graduation."

MATHEMATICS: VISUAL AND TEACHING AIDS—compiled by E. H. C. Hildebrand—*New Jersey State Teachers College*, 15 p., 25c. Mimeographed.

MEMOIRS OF A GUINEA PIG: EIGHT YEARS IN A DOCTOR'S WAITING ROOM—Howard Vincent O'Brien—*Putnam's*, 238 p., \$2.

RAPID REVIEW OF ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA—Jonas T. May—*The Penny Press*, 31 p., 12c.

SAFE DELIVERANCE—Frederick C. Irving—*Houghton Mifflin*, 308 p., \$3.

6 MINUTES TO FITNESS—Lilyan Malmstead—*M. Barrows & Co.*, 96 p., illus., \$1.50.

STRUCTURAL GEOLOGY—Marland P. Billings—*Prentice-Hall*, 473 p., illus., \$4.50.

SUBNORMAL ADOLESCENT GIRL—Theodora M. Abel and Elaine F. Kinder—*Columbia Univ. Press*, 215 p., \$2.50.

TECHNICAL HANDBOOK FOR SOLVING PROBLEMS IN SHOP OR FACTORY—Edward H. Lang—*Prentice-Hall*, 100 p., \$1., colleges, 80c. "The application of mathematics and science to the industrial job."

THIS IS OUR WAR—Fern Long—*American Library Assn.*, 14 p., 25c. Reprint of Vol. 36, No. II of *ALA Bulletin*. Excellent bibliography on war books, compiled by the adult education field worker of the Cleveland Public Library.

THOUGHTS OF A PSYCHIATRIST ON THE WAR AND AFTER—William A. White—*Hoebner*, 28 p., \$1.50. Because of the value and timeliness of this book, despite the fact that it was first brought out in 1919, this reprint has been published.

YOU MUST RELAX—Edmund Jacobsen—*Whittlesey*, 261 p., \$1.75. New revised edition.

WHEN DOCTORS ARE RATIONED—Dwight Anderson and Margaret Baylous—*Coward-McCann*, 255 p., \$2.

WILD VIOLETS OF NORTH AMERICA—Viola Brainerd Baird—*Univ. of Calif. Press*, 225 p., illus., \$10. Beautiful colored plates.