

First Glances at New Books

► **LIFE** in all its manifestations is passed in review, through vivid word and striking picture, in Carroll Lane Fenton's **OUR LIVING WORLD** (*Doubleday, Doran*, \$4.50). The aspects of biology which Dr. Fenton presents are familiar enough: origin of life, specialization of parts, nutrition, reproduction, evolution, ecology and all the rest that can be found in a well-organized textbook. But he contrives somehow to instill a seldom-encountered note of drama, which will undoubtedly inspire many of his readers to go forth with new eyes of wonder for familiar things.

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► **BEEES AND HONEY** are unfailing arousers of interest and appetite, so that another good book on the subject can always count on a favorable reception. In **BEEKEEPING FOR PROFIT AND PLEASURE**, Addison Webb has provided just about what the average beginning apiarist wants: instructions that are adequate but not too complex, made plain with plenty of simple but correct illustrations. (*Macmillan*, \$2.)

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► **NEWCOMER** to the yearly review volumes in various fields of science is **VITAMINS AND HORMONES**, edited by Robert S. Harris and Kenneth V. Thimann (*Academic Press*, \$6.50). Research in these fields is so extensive and the literature so voluminous that many scientists will undoubtedly welcome yearly review volumes to keep them abreast of current developments.

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► **COPPER CAMP**, a somewhat belated publication on the WPA Writers' Program, is a vividly written account of the brave and brawling past of the city of Butte, Mont. It is historical sociology in the raw, with a certain amount of mineralogy, mining and metallurgy thrown in for good measure. There must have been a good deal of rummaging of old pigeonholes and drawers to find the photographs used in the illustrations. (*Hastings House*, \$2.75.)

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► **OF SOLID VALUE** as a reference book for professional workers in horticulture, mycology, bacteriology, helminthology and entomology, is **DISEASES AND PESTS OF ORNAMENTAL PLANTS**, by

B. O. Dodge and H. W. Rickett. Contents are arranged according to host species. There are numerous good photographic plates. (*Jacques Cattell*, \$6.50)

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► **A NEWSMAN** who has spent much time in India, tells how **INDIA'S PROBLEM CAN BE SOLVED** in a book by that title. The author, De Witt Mackenzie, tells about the social, economic and political conditions in this much discussed country. (*Doubleday-Doran*, \$3.)

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► **THE WEATHER** and its effects on health and feelings, ever-interesting topics of conversation, has long been a matter of scientific study by Dr. William F. Peterson. In **LINCOLN-DOUGLAS: The Weather As Destiny** (*Thomas*, \$3), he tells how he thinks weather affects the human body, emotions and actions, using for illustration the relation between weather and significant events and acts in the lives of two great Americans. His conclusion is that not even the great can escape these effects.

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Just Off the Press

THE ARMY OFFICER'S MANUAL—A. C. M. Azoy—*Appleton*, 396 p., illus., \$2.50, third ed. rev.

BIOLOGICAL RESULTS OF THE LAST CRUISE OF THE CARNEGIE—Herbert W. Graham and others—*Carnegie Institution*, 92 p., illus., \$1 paper, \$1.50 cloth, Biology IV, Publication No. 555.

CHEMISTRY AND THE AEROPLANE—Vernon J. Clancey—*Ronald*, 176 p., illus., \$2.25.

DENTAL VOCABULARY: English-Spanish — Spanish-English: Including Many Medical Terms—Joseph S. F. Marie—*Jacques Cattell*, 150 p., illus., \$4.

DIRECTORY OF NEW ENGLAND MANUFACTURERS—New England Council—*George D. Hall Co.*, 740 p., illus., \$25. 8th annual ed.

FOGS, CLOUDS AND AVIATION—W. J. Humphreys—*Williams and Wilkins*, 200 p., illus., \$3.

FOOD FROM THE SEA: Fish and Shellfish of New England—Rachel L. Carlson—*Gov't Printing Office*, 74 p., illus., 15c, Conservation Bulletin 33.

ISLAND PEOPLES OF THE WESTERN PACIFIC MICRONESIA AND MELANESIA—Herbert W. Kreiger—*Smithsonian*, 104 p., illus., limited editions; free upon direct application.

LOUISIANA FOREST RESOURCES AND INDUSTRIES—R. K. Winters, G. B. Ward, Jr., and I. F. Eldredge—*Gov't Printing Office*, 44 p., illus., 25c.

MACHINES FOR AMERICA—Marshall Dunn and Lloyd N. Morrisett—*World Book Co.*, 164 p., illus., 80c.

METEOROLOGICAL RESULTS OF CRUISE VII OF THE CARNEGIE, 1928-1929—Woodrow C. Jacobs, Katherine B. Clarke—*Carnegie Institution*, 168 p., illus., \$1.50 paper, \$2 cloth, Publication No. 544.

MINERALS: Their Identification, Uses, and How to Collect Them—Herbert S. Zim and Elizabeth K. Cooper—*Harcourt, Brace*, 368 p., illus., \$3.

POISONOUS SNAKES, PLANTS AND BLACK WIDOW SPIDER OF LOUISIANA—James Nelson Gowanloch and Clair A. Brown—*Louisiana Department of Conservation*, 133 p., illus., free, limited copies.

POWER FOR AMERICA—Marshall Dunn and

Lloyd N. Morrisett—*World Book Co.*, 164 p., illus., 80c.

SILK RAISING IN COLONIAL MEXICO—Woodrow Borah—*Univ. of Calif.*, 169 p., illus., \$2.

SIMPLIFIED PHYSICS: A Clear Explanation of Modern Science with Easily Made Apparatus and Many Simple Experiments—Sidney Aylmer Small and Charles Ramsey Clark—*Dutton*, 428 p., illus., \$3.

START TODAY: Your Guide to Physical Fitness—C. Ward Crampton—*Barnes*, 224 p., illus., \$1.75.

UPPER WIND OBSERVATIONS AND RESULTS OBTAINED ON CRUISE VII OF THE CARNEGIE—Andrew Thomson—*Carnegie Institution*, 93 p., illus., 75c paper, \$1 cloth, Publication No. 547.

VITALIZED PHYSICS IN GRAPHICOLOR—Robert H. Carleton—*College Entrance Book Co.*, 378 p., illus., 50c.

WINGS FOR AMERICA—Marshall Dunn and Lloyd N. Morrisett—*World Book Co.*, 244 p., illus., \$1.

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