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INTERNATIONAL CONTROL OF ATOMIC ENERGY; The First Report of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission to the Security Council, U. S. Dept. of State Publ. 2737, Govt. Printing Office, 100 p., paper, 25 cents. This report contains the basic principles first enunciated and consistently advocated by Bernard Baruch.

THE ISLAND WAR; The United States Marine Corps in the Pacific—Frank O. Hough— Lippincott, 412 p., illus., \$5. Officially assigned to write this history, Major Hough, U. S. M. C., was granted access to confidential documents. The result is a brilliant discussion of the struggle for successive advanced bases, the men who performed the impossible, Japanese tactics, weaknesses, and battle conduct.

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