## Books of the Week

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An Algorithm for Translating Chemical Names to Moiecular Formulas—Eugene Gar-field—Inst. for Scientific Information, 68 p., paper, \$5. Algorithm for manual and for computer translation directly from chemical nomenclature.

Animal Behavior: Its Evolutionary Neurological Basis—V. G. Dethier and Eliot Stellar—Prentice-Hall, 118 p., illus., \$2.95; paper, \$1.50. Simple, complex, bilateral and vertebrate nervous systems and behavior.

AVIATION & SPACE DICTIONARY—Ernest J. Gentle and Charles Edward Chapel, Eds.—Aero Pubs., 4th ed., 444 p., illus., \$10. Lists 10,000 definitions in aeronautics and space technology.

BIRTH OF A ROCKET—Erik Bergaust—Putnam, 48 p., illus., \$2.50. Describes parts, assembly and function of modern solid and liquid rockets.

BLUEPRINT READING: Interpretation of Architectural Working Drawings-William J. Hornung—Prentice-Hall, 129 p. illus., \$6.65. Translates the intricacies of blueprint reading into non-technical language, fully illustrated.

A CHRONOLOGY AND FACT BOOK OF THE UNITED NATIONS, 1941-1961—Waldo Chamberlin and Thomas Hovet, Jr., preface by Andrew W. Cordier-Oceana, 64 p., \$2.50; paper, \$1. Useful list of significant events from the origins of the U.N. to the present.

COASTAL PLANT GEOGRAPHY OF MAURITIUS-Jonathan D. Sauer—La. State Univ. Press, 153 p., illus., paper, \$3. Botanist's field survey report on topography and vegetation of an island in the Indian Ocean.

GRAVITATIONAL STRESS IN AEROSPACE MEDI-CINE-Otto H. Gauer and George D. Zuidema, Eds.-Little, 278 p., illus., \$13.50. Comprehensive review of research on the circulatory, nervous and psychological effects of acceleration and G stress on the human system.

THE GREAT IDEAS TODAY, 1961-William Benton, Ed.-Encyclopaedia Britannica (Crowell), 562 p., illus., \$8.95 Designed to examine the events and problems of today with reference to the great ideas of the past.

GROUND COVERS FOR EASIER GARDENING-Daniel J. Foley—Chilton Co., 224 p., illus., \$5.50. Abundantly illustrated handbook on the selection and care of ground covers, vines and dwarf shrubs.

GROUND SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR MISSILES AND SPACE VEHICLES—Kenneth Brown and Peter Weiser, Eds.—McGraw, 490 p., illus., \$15. Complete and practical treatment of systems and subsystems, aimed at reader with engineering background.

How to Know the Butterflies-Paul R. and Anne H. Ehrlich—Brown, W. C., 262 p., illus., \$3.25; paper, \$2.75. Illustrated keys to all categories of North American butterflies from family to species, with notes and index.

IMPORTED INSECTS-Naomi Talley-Dial Press, 64 p., illus. by H. D. Tee-Van, \$2.50. Tells young people how entomologists search for the natural enemies of insect pests to be imported as "biological controls."

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PENGUIN SCIENCE SURVEY 1961, Parts 1 & 2-Arthur Garratt, S. A. Barnett and Anne Mc-Learn, Eds.—Penguin, 236 p., 248 p., illus., paper, \$1.45 each. Presents results and trends of current research in the physical and biological

THE PHYSIOLOGY OF NATURAL HIBERNATION-Ch. Kayser—Pergamon, 325 p., illus., \$9. Scholarly and detailed discussion of hibernating mammals, integrates the mechanisms of thermoregulation in these animals with the reactions of their endocrine and nervous systems.

RELIABILITY THEORY AND PRACTICEzovsky—Prentice-Hall, 292 p., \$10.95. Reliability mathematics as applied to systems engineering.

SEXUALITY AND THE GENETICS OF BACTERIA—Francois Jacob and Elie L. Wollman—Academic Press, 374 p., illus., \$10. Detailed account of sexual processes in bacteria and the main advances in understanding bacterial genetics through the study of bacterial conjugation.

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STATE BIRDS AND FLOWERS-Olive L. Earle-Morrow, 64 p., illus. by author, \$2.78. Handsome little book, for young readers.

THE STORY OF X-RAYS FROM ROENTGEN TO Isoтopes—Alan Ralph Bleich—Dover, 186 р., illus., paper, \$1.35. Radiologist's non-technical account of X-rays at work.

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THERMAL REGIMES OF COMBUSTION—Lev Abramovich Vulis, transl. from Russian by Morris D. Friedman and Glenn C. Williams-Mc-Graw, 299 p., diagrams, \$7.50. Comprehensive treatment of elementary thermal combustion theory.

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