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ANIMAL TIMEKEEPERS—Navin Sullivan— Prentice-Hall, 64 p., illus. by Haris Petie, \$3.50. Introduces boys and girls to the workings of biological clocks and rhythms in living things.

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EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE: A Bibliography, Part II: Published Literature, 1900-1964—NASA Scientific and Technical Information Facility—NASA (GPO), 335 p., paper, \$2. A selection of annotated references to journal articles and books.

FEDERAL MATERIALS RESEARCH PROGRAM: Opportunities, Roadblocks and Problems—Coordinating Committee on Materials Research & Development, Fed. Council for Science and Technology—CFSTI, 29 p., paper, \$2. Identifies the major problems and recommends those areas of research in materials that should receive increased emphasis.

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Science Teaching, 16 p., paper, single copies
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MAJOR ACTIVITIES IN THE ATOMIC ENERGY PROGRAMS, 1965—U.S. Atomic Energy Commission—GPO, 442 p., illus., paper, \$1.50. Annual report on the developmental, promotional and regulatory activities of AEC.

MICROBIOLOGY AND SOIL FERTILITY:
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MINERAL FORMATION AND STRUCTURE IN THE ELECTROCHEMICAL INDURATION OF WEAK ROCKS—N. I. Titkov, V. P. Petrov and A. Ya. Neretina, transl. from Russian—Consultants, 74 p., illus., paper, \$12.50. Reports on experimental laboratory investigation results at the Institute of Geology and Exploitation of Fuels of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR.

MINERALS YEARBOOK 1964. Vol. I: Metals and Minerals (Except Fuels)—Bureau of Mines Staff, Frank C. Memmott, Act. Dir.—GPO, 1258 p., \$4.75. Includes review of the mineral industries, metallurgical and mining technology, and statistical summary.

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REBUILDING CITIES—Percy Johnson-Marshall—Aldine Pub. Co., 374 p., photographs, maps, index, \$15. A compendium and analysis of the achievements of city planning with historic perspective from pre-industrial Europe to the city of the 20th century.

REVIEWS OF PLASMA PHYSICS, Vol. 4—M. A. Leontovich, Ed., transl. from Russian by Herbert Lashinsky—Consultants, 241 p., diagrams, \$12.50. Papers on collisionless plasmand on Coulomb collisions in a fully ionized

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