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MORE ABOUT LEEMO: The Adventures of a Puma—Stanley E. Brock—Taplinger, 1968, 188 p., photographs by author, \$5,95. Stories about an untamed but friendly mountain lion, jaguar, otter, tapir, ocelot and other animals.

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WORLD POPULATION: An Analysis of Vital Data—Nathan Keyfitz and Wilhelm Flieger—Univ. of Chicago Press, 1968, 672 p., \$16.50. Tabular summaries of official data on births, deaths and population, by age and sex, past and projected, calculations of life tables which conform to those data and facilitate comparisons of mortality and fertility among countries and moments of time, and additional measures of interest to specialists.

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BIOLOGY TEACHER'S GUIDE — John H. Rosengren—Parker Pub. Co., 1968, 227 p., illus., \$6.95. Written to help teacher present high school biology courses, discusses materials and teaching techniques, special problems in teaching biology, in-service education and student teachers.

COLLEGE PHYSICS—Physical Science Study Committee, Uri Haber-Schaim and others, Eds.—Raytheon Educ. Co., 1968, 717 p., illus., \$9.95. Based on and incorporates much of the second edition of PSSC PHYSICS and Advanced Topics Supplement, intended for those students entering college without previous physics course.

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DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY: A Laboratory Manual—Joseph W. Vanable, Jr. and James H. Clark—Burgess, 1968, 182 p., illus., paper, \$5. Areas of inquiry in this manual extend to exploring problems in the development of a fern gametophyte or a cellular slime mold slug.

LEARNING, LANGUAGE AND COGNITION: Theory, Research and Method for Study of Human Behavior and Its Development—Arthur W. Staats—Holt, 1968, 614 p., illus., \$9.50. Addressed to the advanced student of educational psychology, the book demonstrates the author's work on the learning conception of human behavior, the stimulus-response mechanism, and the function of language as well as its development.

INTRODUCTORY PLANT SCIENCE—Henry T. Northen—Ronald Press, 1968, 3rd ed., 586 p., illus., \$9.50. This revised botany text maintains balance between the molecular and the descriptive, and stresses the plant as a whole and its relationship to the environment as a central theme.

MODERN PHYSICS—John E. Williams and others—Holt, 1968, 707 p., illus., \$6.64. Revised high school text, features at end of each chapter two sets of problems to challenge the more advanced students.

PRACTICAL INORGANIC CHEMISTRY: Preparations. Reactions and Instrumental Methods—Geoffrey Pass and Haydn Sutcliffe—Chapman (Barnes & Noble), 1968, 225 p., diagrams, \$6.50. The underlying theme of this undergraduate text is the correlation of theory with practice, each chapter ending with complementary exercises which require the study of listed references.

PRINCIPLES OF MICROBIOLOGY AND IM-MUNOLOGY—Bernard D. Davis and others—Harper, 1968, 853 p., illus., \$14.95. Intended for non-medical graduate students and biologists, this text excerpts from MICROBIOLOGY (1967) the parts concerned with general properties of microbes, molecular genetics and immunology.

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