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OCEAN SCIENCE: Readings from Scientific American—Introductions by H. W. Menard—W H Freeman, 1977, 307 p., color and b&w photographs and drawings, \$15,paper, \$8. Twenty-five specialists discuss their research in various aspects of the greatly expanding field of oceanography.

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THE WAR ANIMALS—Robert E. Lubow—Doubleday, 1977, 255 p., \$7.95. Traces the development of the use of animals for military purposes from ancient times to the present, explains the psychological research that has been applied to these animals and describes some of the military projects in which animals have successfully participated.

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