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**The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Life Sciences**—Adrian Friday and David S. Ingram, Eds. Describes a hierarchy of environments and their interactions from the cell through the extracellular environment to the organs and on to the whole organism. The adaptation of plants and animals to their environment is covered in the second section of this volume. The third and final section is concerned with evolution and the fossil record. Cambridge U Pr, 1985, 432 p., color/b&w illus., \$45.

**Insect Life: A Field Entomology Manual for the Amateur Naturalist**—Ross H. Arnett Jr. and Richard L. Jacques Jr. An introduction to the science and excitement of entomology. Explains the principles and the practical aspects of identifying, collecting, preserving and raising many different insects. P-H, 1985, 354 p., illus., paper, \$14.95.

**Quest for the Killers**—June Goodfield. Tells of the exploits and the achievements, the setbacks and the tragedies of medical scientists working around the world to find the cause and cure for kuru in New Guinea and leprosy in Nepal, to break the chain of infection of schistosomiasis in the Caribbean, to develop a vaccine for hepatitis B in the United States and to eradicate smallpox from the earth. This is a companion volume to the current PBS television series of the same name. Birkhauser, 1985, 245 p., color/b&w illus., \$24.95.

**STDs—Sexually Transmitted Diseases: What You Should Know and How to Protect Yourself**—Stephen H. Zinner. Discusses the means by which these diseases are transmitted, the expectations for treatment and cure and ways to prevent infection. Summit Bks(S&S), 1985, 160 p., \$14.95.

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