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The Genius of China: 3,000 Years of Science, Discovery and Invention — Robert Temple. Discusses the numerous basic inventions and discoveries that originally came from the Chinese in such areas as agriculture, astronomy, engineering, mathematics and medicine. Accented by many illustrations, the text probes this remarkable inventiveness and explores why China today is not hundreds of years ahead of the rest of the world. Originally published in hardcover in 1986. S&S, 1988, 254 p., color/b&w illus., paper, \$14.95.

In the Age of Mankind — Roger Lewin. A colorillustrated chronicle of recent anthropological finds and their significance to clues about the origin of humans. This science writer introduces the reader to the often-colorful characters who work in anthropology and the controversies surrounding many of their theories. Finally, he questions why humans have abandoned energy-efficient lifestyles of the past and examines how space travel, bio-engineering and advances in the communications industry might affect human evolution. Smithsonian, 1988, 255 p., color/b&w illus., hardcover. \$37.50.

North American Owls: Biology and Natural History — Paul A. Johnsgard. This is a fairly technical book, for the serious owl watcher, about 19 species of this remote group of birds. Describes their range, identification, vocalizations, migratory movements, social behavior and conservation status, among other things. Beautifully illustrated with color photographs and watercolors. Smithsonian, 1988, 295 p., color illus., hardcover, \$45.00.

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The Social Impact of the Chernobyl Disaster

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Tapes of the Night Sky — The Astronomical Society of the Pacific. Take a guided tour of the night sky, led by an astronomer, just by listening to these tapes on your personal cassette tape player. Four half-hour tours, one for each season, highlight specific stars and constellations visible with the naked eye, giving information on the astronomy and mythology surrounding many of the objects you will see. A 60-page booklet contains a full transcript of the tapes plus a list for further reading. Includes four seasonal sky maps. For the Northern Hemisphere only. Astron Soc Pacific, 1988, \$16.95.

The Weather Companion: An Album of Meteorological History, Science, Legend and Folklore — Gary Lockhart. What the thickness of cornhusks, the height of sawgrass, the swirl in a jar of bear grease and the color of "rainfish" have to do with predicting the weather. From the meteorology of Noah's flood to today's methods of forecasting, this book takes the general reader on a fact-filled wander through weather. Wiley, 1988, 230 p., illus., paper, \$12.95.

The Emotional Pharmacy By Roberta Morgan

Presents an overview of current psychiatric opinions about chemical treatments for emotional disorders. In three parts, the author discusses the history of chemical and nonchemical treatments, and the causes and symptoms of emotional illnesses that are treated with drugs; the current therapeutic uses of more than 50 psychoactive medications; and the problems of drug abuse — which drugs are abused, how they are used, the side effects of those drugs and options for addiction treatments.

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