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CUTANEOUS SENSATION—David Sinclair—Oxford Univ. Press, 1967, 306 p., illus., \$14. Intended for clinicians, this study of the nervous pathways that convey information from human skin, discusses major theories and methods of investigation, nerve endings, neurons and pathways, and the various factors of sensations.

DIRECTORY OF NATIONAL TRADE AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES, 1968—Craig Colgate, Jr., Ed. Columbia Bks., 1968, 145 p., paper, \$7.95. Up-to-date roster of existing associations, contains 4000 listings alphabetically arranged.

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INVESTIGATION OF THE PHYSICOCHEMICAL MECHANICS OF CLAY-MINERAL DISPERSIONS—F. D. Ovcharenko and others, P. A. Rebinder, Ed., transl. from Russian—IPST (Daniel Davey, N.Y.), 1967, 146 p., illus., \$7.50. Concerned with the application of advances in crystal and colloidal chemistry to the control of the structural-mechanical properties of dispersed structures of clay minerals and clays by physical and chemical treatment. cal treatment.

INVESTIGATIONS IN CHEMISTRY: A Text for the General Chemistry Laboratory—Jay E. Taylor, John R. Demuth and George L. Bush—Burgess, 1967, 4th ed., 241 p., diagrams, paper, \$3.90. Experiments stress the investigative approach to chemistry and manual emphasizes the underlying principles.

IONS FOR BREATHING: Control of the Air-Electrical Climate for Health—Chr. Bach, transl. from Danish—Pergamon Press, 1968, 104 p., illus, \$4.50. Gives an account of the properties of "air-electric climate," the author's own experimental work, and the measuring instruments he devised.

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MECHANICAL MAN: The Physical Basis of Intelligent Life—Dean E. Wooldridge—McGraw-Hill, 1968, 212 p., \$8.95. Drawing on recent discoveries in biophysics, neurophysiology, electrophysiology and computer science, the author offers evidence for his proposition that biology is a branch of physical science and can be explained in terms of particles and laws of physics.

MINERAL YEARBOOK 1965, Vol. IV: Area Reports: International—Staff of Bureau of Mines, Walter R, Hibbard, Jr., Dir.—GPO, 1967, 1285 p., \$4.75. Reviews minerals in the world economy and presents latest available statistics for more than 130 foreign countries and areas.

MINERALS YEARBOOK 1966, Vol. I-II: Metals, Minerals and Fuels—Bureau of Mines Staff, Walter R. Hibbard, Jr., Dir.—GPO, 1967, 1352 p., graphs, \$5. Contains statistical data on production, consumption, imports, exports and related subjects, collected by the Bureau from sources all over the world.

THE MOVEMENT OF MOLECULES ACROSS CELL MEMBRANES—W. D. Stein—Academic Press, 1967, 369 p., illus., \$17.50. Summarizes pertinent current knowledge on the structure and composition of the cell membrane and analyzes the molecular basis of the movement of substances across the cell membrane.

THE NAKED APE: A Zoologist's Study of the Human Animal—Desmond Morris—McGraw-Hill, 1967, 252 p., \$5.95. Examines in detail man's normal, basic behavior patterns shared by all the ordinary, successful members of the major cul-

THE NEUROSCIENCES: A Study Program—Planned and edited by Gardner C. Quarton, Theodore Melnechuk and Francis O. Schmitt—Rockefeller Univ. Press, 1967, 962 p., 650 illus., \$17.50. An integrated series of surveys of selected scientific fields relevant to an understanding of brain function. The main sections deal with the components of the nervous system, with molecular biology, molecular biology of brain cells, neuronal physiology, brain correlates of functional behavioral states, brain correlates of learning, and interdisciplinary topics.

THE PLANETARIUM AND ATMOSPHERIUM: An Indoor Universe—O. Richard Norton—Naturegraph, 1968, 176 p., 73 illus., \$4.50; paper, \$2.75. A semitechnical treatment of the planetarium, of the various models of the Zeiss planetarium in particular, stressing the potential of the planetarium as an educational aid.

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PRESSURE VESSEL DESIGN AND ANALYSIS—M. B. Bickell and C. Ruiz—St. Martin's Press, 1968, 578 p., diagrams, \$21. Advanced treatise, deals with the latest methods of pressure vessel and piping design, including the application of shell analysis methods to metal pressure vessel designs.

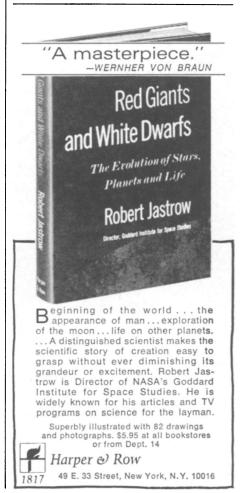
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SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND THE CITY: A Symposium—National Academy of Sciences and National Academy of Engineering, foreword by John G. Truxal—NAS, 1967, 142 p., paper, \$4.50. Papers deal with the social requirements of urban design, urban transportation problems, urban construction and experimentation programs.

SCIENCE IN PROGRESS—Hugh Taylor and others, Wallace R. Brode, Ed.—Yale Univ. Press, 1967, 390 p., illus., \$10. Sixteenth and final volume in series publishing the Sigma Xi lectures.

THE TALE OF THE BIG COMPUTER: A Vision—Olof Johannesson, transl, from Swedish by Naomi Walford—Coward-McCann, 1968, 126 p., \$4. The author of this scientific satire is the Swedish plasma physicist Hannes Alfvèn (SN: 11/11/67).

TIME SERIES ANALYSIS—E. J. Hannan—Methuen (Barnes & Noble), 1967, 152 p., \$3.75; paper, \$2.25. Describes the statistical methods and the mathematical theory behind these methods which have become available for the treatment of time series.



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