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**DIRECTORY OF THE BIOSCIENCE DEPARTMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA**—American Institute of Biological Sciences, J. David Lockard, Dir.—Reinhold, 1967, 671 p., paper, \$8.50. Alphabetical listing of institutions, descriptive listing by states and alphabetical listing of faculty members in degree-granting departments.

**DISEASE IN FOREST PLANTATIONS: Thief of Time**—Dow V. Baxter—Cranbrook Institute, 1967, 251 p., photographs, \$8.50. Reports on successes and failures in forest plantations as guides to disease prevention.

**ENGINEERING SALARIES: Special Industry Report, Research and Development 1966**—Engineering Manpower Commission, Clifford H. Doolittle, Chmn.—EMC of Engineers Jt. Council, 1967, 44 p., graphs, paper, \$25. Based on survey of professional income of engineers by industry, with detailed breakdown by degree and supervisory status.

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