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**MOLECULES IN MOTION**—T. G. Cowling—*Hutchinson's University Library* (U. S. Distributor: *Longmans, Green*), 183 p., illus., \$1.60. An account of gas theory with its historical background.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST NATIONAL AIR POLLUTION SYMPOSIUM**—*Stanford Research Institute and others*, 149 p., illus., paper, \$2.50. Discussions of the nature and cause of air pollution, its effects and correction. The symposium was held Nov. 10-11, 1949.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON A TREATISE ON MARINE ECOLOGY AND PALEOECOLOGY 1948-1949**—Harry S. Ladd, Chairman—*National Research Council*, 121 p., illus., paper, \$1.00. A report presented in preliminary form before the Division of Geology and Geography of the National Research Council, April 23, 1949.

**ROLE OF FUNGI IN THE HEATING OF MOIST WHEAT**—Edward P. Carter and George Y. Young—*Gov't. Printing Office*, U. S. Dept. of Ag. Circ. No. 838, 26 p., illus., paper, 10 cents.

**SAFETY AND HYGIENE IN THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, Rep. No. II: Chemical Industries Committee**—*International Labor Office*, 84 p., illus., paper, 50 cents. A report presented before the International Labor Organization, Geneva, Switzerland, Feb.-Mar., 1949.

**SEXUAL BEHAVIOR: How Shall We Define and Motivate What is Acceptable?**—Frank J. Hertel and others—*American Social Hygiene Association*, 32 p., paper, 25 cents. Papers and notes from a panel discussion before the American Social Hygiene Association, February 1, 1950.

**A SOURCE LIST OF SELECTED LABOR STATISTICS**—*Special Libraries Association*, rev. ed., 67 p., paper, \$1.75. A compilation of publications having to do chiefly with wages, hours and employment.

**THE STORY OF OUR TIMES: Encyclopedia Yearbook 1950**—E. V. McLoughlin, Editor-in-Chief—*Grolier Society*, 432 p., illus., \$10.00. Provides a review of the year's developments as seen through the eyes of more than 100 authorities. "Science Highlights in 1949" and "Science Previews" are written by Watson Davis, Director of Science Service, and "Wetter Water Joins the Fire Brigade" is written by A. C. Monahan, Science Service Staff Writer.

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development, diet, diseases and ways of protecting health.

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## MEDICINE

### Doctors Know How to Treat Most Atomic Bomb Injuries

► MOST of the injuries suffered during an atomic bomb attack are burns, broken bones and other types which doctors have been treating successfully for years, Dr. James C. Sargent stated.

Dr. Sargent, who is chairman of the American Medical Association's Council on National Emergency Medical Service, told a meeting called in Chicago by the Council that there is too much fear about the injurious effects of an atomic bomb compared with other bombs.

Dr. Sargent emphasized, however, that he feels communities and states which have not already launched civilian defense programs should start preparations immediately. In that way, he explained, supplies and doctors would be ready regardless of the type of attack.

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