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ARCTIC RESEARCH: The Current Status of Research and Some Immediate Problems in the North American Arctic and Subarctic—Diana Rowley, Ed.—Arctic Institute of North America, Special Publication No. 2, 261 p., illus., \$3.50. Reporting what has been accomplished and pointing to what still needs to be done.

BETWEEN THE PLANETS-Fletcher G. Watson —Harvard University Press, rev. ed., 188 p., plus 67 plates, \$5.00. Telling of the small but sometimes spectacular bodies that occupy the space between the sun and planets of the solar system.

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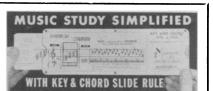
THE CHEMISTRY OF TANNING PROCESSES — K. H. Gustavson — Academic, 403 p., illus., \$9.00. Providing a general outline of the chemistry of principal tanning processes with emphasis on chrome tanning as the most economical and also the most thoroughly investigated process.

COEFFICIENT OF VOLUME EXPANSION FOR PETROLEUM WAXES AND PURE N-PARAFFINS-P. R. Templin-Mellon Institute, 8 p., illus., paper, free upon request direct to publisher, 4400 Fifth ave., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

THE Doctors Mayo—Helen Clapesattle Pocket Books, 484 p., paper, 50 cents. A biography of the remarkable family of doctors and the story of their dedication to medicine. pocket edition of a book originally published by the University of Minnesota in 1941. The author was selected by the University to write the biography.

ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY OF INDUSTRIAL MATERIALS—Albert S. Carlson, Ed.—Reinhold, 494 p., illus., \$12.50. Written by industrial experts and edited by a geographer, this work will aid the manufacturing executive in planning for economical production.

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FASTER, FASTER: A Simple Description of a Giant Electronic Calculator and the Problems It Solves—W. J. Eckert and Rebecca Jones— McGraw-Hill, 160 p., illus., \$3.75. The calculator described is the NORC, designed and built for the Bureau of Ordnance of the U. S. Navy.

THE FOCUSED INTERVIEW: A Manual of Problems and Procedures—Robert K. Merton, Marjorie Fiske and Patricia L. Kendall—Free Press, 186 p., \$3.00. This report of the Bureau of Applied Social Research of Columbia University describes a special technique in social research.

GENERAL BIOLOGY—Harrington Wells and Patrick H. Wells-McGraw-Hill, 520 p., illus., \$6.50. A beginning and integrative college text.

GIFTED CHILDREN: The Cleveland Story-Theodore Hall—World Publishing Co., 91 p illus., \$2.00. Telling what the Cleveland Public Schools are doing to discover and educate the superior child.

INFLUENCE OF GRINDING FLUIDS UPON RESI-DUAL STRESSES IN HARDENED STEEL—H. R. Letner—Mellon Institute, 6 p., illus., paper, free upon request direct to publisher, 4400 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 13, Pa. Describing experiments in which air, two concentrations of rust inhibitor in water, six water-miscible oils and four straight grinding oils were employed.

LAND, AIR & OCEAN-R. P. Beckinsale-Duckworth (Essential Books), 370 p., illus., \$4.00. Although primarily for university students, this book is also directed to the general public interested in "the heaven above, the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth.'

THE PHYSICAL WORLD-Paul McCorkle-Mc-Graw-Hill, 2d ed., 465 p., illus., \$5.25. Text for a survey and orientation course.

PORTRAITS FROM MEMORY: Recollections of a Zoologist-Richard B. Goldschmidt-University of Washington Press, 181 p., illus., \$3.50. Informal reminiscing by the author about personal contacts with great zoologists of the past.

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