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BEEKMANTOWN GROUP (LOWER ORDOVICIAN) OF MARYLAND—William J. Sando—Geological Society of America, Memoir 68, 161 p., illus., \$5.00. Offering details on the stratigraphy, fauna and genesis of the Lower Ordovician beds and providing a detailed geologic map of the Great Valley of Maryland.

Canadian Cancer Conference: Volume 2, Proceedings of the Second Canadian Cancer Research Conference, Honey Harbour, Ontario, June 17-21, 1956—R. W. Begg, Ed.—*Academic*, 398 p., illus., \$8.50. Contributors to this volume number 35 leaders in the field.

THE CONQUEST OF THE ANTARCTIC—Norman Kemp—Philosophical Library, 152 p., illus., \$4.75. Discussing plans for mastering Antarctica during the International Geophysical Year.

Engineering Enrollment in the United States—Norman N. Barish, Ed.—New York University Press, 226 p., charts, \$7.50. A chapter on engineering education in the USSR is included, placing the growth of our engineering education in clearer perspective.

FLEAS, FLUKES & CUCKOOS: A Study of Bird Parasites—Miriam Rothschild and Theresa Clay—Macmillan, New Naturalist Series, 305 p., illus., \$5.00. Birds have been well studied, but few scientists have given attention to the "zoological garden" that makes its home on the bird's body.

FOUNDATIONS OF RADIO — M. G. Scroggie — *Philosophical Library*, 6th ed., 349 p., illus., \$10.00. On the basic theory and fundamental laws of electricity and radio written especially for the beginner. British in origin, an appendix gives the American equivalents of the British terms.

Helicopters Work Like This—Basil Arkell and John W. R. Taylor—Roy, 62 p., illus. with drawings by Frederick G. Cook, \$2.50. A book for young people.

Here is the Far North—Evelyn Stefansson —Scribner's, 154 p., illus., with photographs by the author and others, \$3.50. A beautiful book by the wife of the famous explorer.

HIGH-SPEED FLIGHT—E. Ower and J. L. Nayler—Philosophical Library, 227 p., illus., \$10.00. Discussing the technical and physiological problems involved in man's ever increasing flying speed.

How Life Began—Irving Adler, with a preface by Linus Pauling—John Day, 128 p., illus. with drawings by Ruth Adler, \$2.95. A book for young people telling them what distinguishes the living from the non-living and how life could have begun on this planet.

Human Disease—A. E. Clark-Kennedy— Penguin, 267 p., paper, 85 cents. For the intelligent layman and intended to remove the common misconception that a disease is just a combination of clinical signs and symptoms with diagnosis a cut-and-dried affair.

Introduction to Organic Chemistry—Louis F. Fieser and Mary Fieser—Heath, 316 p., illus., \$7.00. Much more theory has been included in

this new Fieser text and also a section on applications to research.

AN INTRODUCTION TO SEMICONDUCTORS—W. Crawford Dunlap Jr.—Wiley, 417 p., illus., \$11.75. For practical engineers who want to work with semiconductors and for senior year or graduate students.

JETS, WAKES, AND CAVITIES—Garrett Birkhoff and E. H. Zarentonello—Academic, Applied Mathematics and Mechanics Series, 353 p., illus., \$10.00. Reporting the most important findings of nearly 100 years of research in a complex field of applied mathematics.

A Layman's Guide to Psychatry and Psychoanalysis: An Extensively Revised and Updated Edition of the Same Author's "The Mind in Action"—Eric Berne—Simon and Schuster, 2d ed., 320 p., paper, \$1.50. A non-technical description of the normal workings of the human mind followed by a survey of the field of psychoanalysis. Foreword by Dr. Brill.

MAGIC HOUSE OF NUMBERS—Irving Adler—John Day, 128 p., illus. with drawings by Ruth Adler, \$2.95. A book for young people intended to make a game or a pleasure out of elementary mathematics.

NEUTRON TRANSPORT THEORY—B. Davison with J. B. Sykes—Oxford University Press, 450 p., \$12.00. Giving a comprehensive and up-to-date account of all the principal mathematical methods used in this theory.

1001 QUESTIONS ANSWERED ABOUT THE SEASHORE—N. J. Berrill and Jacquelyn Berrill—Dodd, Mead, 305 p., illus., \$5.00. Information for the hobbyist intrigued by the life along the water's edge.

OPTICS: The Science of Vision—Vasco Ronchi, translated from the Italian and revised by Edward Rosen—New York University Press, 360 p., illus., \$10.00. The Italian author has undertaken to revise the whole science of optics, taking into account the functioning of the human eye and brain.

THE PENICILLIN MAN: The Story of Sir Alexander Fleming—John Rowland—Roy, 153 p., illus., \$2.75. A biography for young readers.

Proteins: Seventeenth Annual Biology Colloquium, Friday and Saturday, April 6-7, 1956—Tsoo E. King, Ed.—Oregon State College, 88 p., illus., paper, \$2.50. Report of a meeting conducted in a spirit of informal discussion.

RUSSIAN-ENGLISH ATOMIC DICTIONARY—Eugene A. Carpovich—Technical Dictionaries, 317 p., \$12.00. To help in reading or translating the new Russian scientific literature.

WHEN EGYPT RULED THE EAST—George Steindorff and Keith C. Seele, revised by Keith C. Seele—University of Chicago Press, 2d ed., 289 p., illus., \$5.75. The 15 years since the first edition are only a brief moment in the history of Egypt, but they were filled with significant events.

Your Child or Mine: The Brain-Injured Child and His Hope—O. E. Hood, preface by Tracy Jackson Putnam—Harper, 180 p., \$3.00. The story, written for laymen, of how the author, a psychologist, started and operated a school for brain-injured children where a surprising number, considered hopeless by all physicians who had examined them, have been returned to their homes, public schools and even employment.

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