

# Books of the Week

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**THE AMERICAN ANNUAL OF PHOTOGRAPHY**, Volume 63—Frank R. Fraprie and Franklin I. Jordan, Eds.—*American Photographic*, 240 p., illus., paper, \$2.00. (Cloth, \$3.00.) Another beautiful edition of this popular photographic annual including a Who's Who in Photography.

**THE BASS-BLUEGILL COMBINATION IN A SMALL ARTIFICIAL LAKE**, Volume 24, Article 3—George W. Bennett—*Illinois Natural History Survey*, illus., paper, free upon request to publisher, Urbana, Illinois.

**THE BATTLE OF THE CONSCIENCE:** A psychiatric study of the inner working of the conscience—Edmund Bergler—*Washington Institute of Medicine*, 296 p., illus., \$3.75. An investigation into the working ramifications of the conscience and also the technique of neurotic appeasement of the unconscious part of the conscience.

**CAREERS IN ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE**—*Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn*, 66 p., illus., paper, free upon request to publisher, 99 Livingston Street, Brooklyn. This booklet is intended chiefly to inform prospective college students with the field of engineering and science.

**DISCRIMINATION AND NATIONAL WELFARE**—R. M. MacIver, Ed.—*Harpers*, 135 p., \$2.00. The main theme of this series of 11 lectures is that there are serious and unrecognized costs in our discrimination policies. Such topics as segregated areas, housing restrictions, discrimination in education, and in the churches are discussed.

**HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS IN PUBLIC HEALTH:** Report of an institute on mental health in public health.—Geddes Smith—*Commonwealth*, 18 p., paper, fifteen cents. An objective discussion of health problems with the emphasis on the mental field by a group of psychiatrists and students of public health.

**INTRODUCTION TO TOPOLOGY**—Solomon Lefschetz—*Princeton University Press*, 218 p., illus., \$4.00. Emphasis on results rather than techniques. For the graduate student in mathematics.

**LIBERTY HYDE BAILEY:** A story of American Plant Sciences—Andrew Denny Rogers, III—*Princeton University Press*, 506 p., illus., \$7.50. Although centering on the life of Liberty Hyde Bailey, this superb biography is also the story of the development of plant sciences. Indeed a fine tribute to the grand old sage of plant science.

**LITTLE BEAR CREEK SITE CT° 8:** Alabama Museum of Natural History paper 26—Wm. S. Webb and David L. DeJarnette—*Geological Survey of Alabama*, 64 p., illus., paper, ten cents. An archaeological report of Colbert County, Alabama, showing the results of excavations which took place in 1939.

**THE MENTALLY ILL IN AMERICA:** A history of their care and treatment from Colonial times—Albert Deutsch—*Columbia University Press*, 555 p., illus., \$5.50. A new edition of an earlier work tracing the development of thought about the so-called insane. The author has added a description of many of the advancements made during the past decade and also he has included a review of recent trends toward the prevention of mental diseases.

**MUST WE HAVE FOOD SURPLUSES?**—Agriculture Committee Report—*National Planning Association*, No. 66, 46 p., paper, fifty cents. A pamphlet on what to do with food surpluses. In question and answer form.

**OVERSEAS INFORMATION SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**—Charles A. H. Thomson—*Brookings Institution*, 397 p., \$4.00. An analysis of the main issues and problems arising out of our decision to maintain a peace time information service to foreign nations. A detailed history of the operations of the information services.

**PERMIAN CRINOID CALCEOLISPONGIA**, Memoir 34—Curt Teichert—*Geological Society of America*, 132 p., illus., \$2.50. A profound and authoritative study on the subject of *calceolispongia* in Australia. A vast amount of information which is organized and presented very well. Excellent illustrations.

**THE PERRY SITE Lu °25:** Alabama Museum of Natural History paper 25—Wm. S. Webb and David L. DeJarnette—*Geological Survey of Alabama*, 69 p., illus., paper, ten cents. A report made from the excavations made in Lauderdale County, Alabama. Among the many things studied are dog burials, burials, pottery, and shells. The important thing about this report is the finding of a shell mound.

**THE PROBLEM DRINKER**—Joseph Hirsh—*Duell, Sloan & Pearce*, 211 p., illus., \$3.00. A factual and clear analysis of the psychological problems which alcohol creates.

**SEX AND YOU**—LeMon Clark—*Bobbs-Merrill*, 203 p., \$2.75. For the married or about to be married a good and wholesome introduction into the many problems of sex. A frank and down-to-earth approach to such problems as sex attitudes, marriage, pregnancy, and divorce.

**SOCIAL MEDICINE: Its Derivations & Objectives**—Iago Galdston, Ed.—*Commonwealth*, 294 p., \$2.75. A symposium written to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the New York Academy of Medicine on the significance of social medicine.

**THE STORY OF TELEVISION:** the life of Philo T. Farnsworth—George Everson—*Norton*, 266 p., illus., \$3.75. The interesting and dramatic story of an inventor of television. Written in simple style, the fundamentals of sending pictures through the air are clearly explained. Good background material.

**SUICIDE AND THE MEANING OF LIFE**—Margarethe Von Andics—*William Hodge* (Lond.),

*Sherwood Press distributor*, 219 p., \$3.00. The author is credited with being the first to introduce the psychiatric method of investigating life histories as a method in psychology. The book, which is written from a scientific point of view rather than the time-honored philosophical one, is a new approach to the old problem of what is the "meaning of life."

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## Science Service Radio

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