## **Books of the Week**

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Beyond the Welfare State: Economic Planning and Its International Implications—Gunnar Myrdal—Yale Univ. Press, 287 p., \$4.50. Concerned with the trend towards economic planning in the rich and progressive Western countries and with the international implications of this trend.

BLUE-WATER BOUNDARY: Epic Highway of the Great Lakes and the Saint Lawrence-Alida Malkus—Hastings House, 308 p., photographs, \$6.50. History and development of a region.

BRINGING UP CHILDREN—Grace Langdon and Irving W. Stout—Day, 295 p., \$4.50. Guide to child-rearing, from infancy through the teens, based on studies of the experiences of successful parents.

A Concise Dictionary of Existentialism— Ralph B. Winn-Philosophical Lib., 122 p., \$3.75. Existential terminology with quotes from Kierkegaard, Jaspers, Marcel, Heidegger, Sartre and de Beauvoir.

ELEMENTARY PHYSIOLOGY: A Laboratory Guide -Oscar E. Tauber, Robert E. Haupt and Delma E. Harding—Macmillan, 190 p., illus., paper, \$3.50. Collection of elementary laboratory

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EXPLORATORY ELECTRICITY—Joseph P. Arnold and Kenneth L. Schank—McKnight, 104 p., illus., paper, \$1.25. Text-notebook for a 12-week course in junior high school.

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A FRUIT Is BORN-J. M. Guilcher and R. H. Noailles—Sterling, 111 p., 137 photographs, \$2.50. Shows youngsters in words and magnified photographs the transformation from flower to fruit.

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GEOLOGY OF THE INDUSTRIAL ROCKS AND MIN-ERALS-Robert L. Bates-Harper, 441 p., illus., Treats the non-metallics on a geological rather than a technological basis, with emphasis on occurrence, origin and interrelations.

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JOURNAL OF EXISTENTIAL PSYCHIATRY, Vol I, No. 1-Jordan M. Scher, Ed.-Libra Publishers, 155 p., paper, quarterly, \$8 per year. Articles and discussions by authors in many professional fields, attempting to understand man as a growing, creative agent, in the here and now.

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METALLIZING OF PLASTICS—Harold Narcus— Reinhold, 208 p., illus., \$5.50. Deals with production procedures and techniques for all known metallizing methods.

MOLECULAR STRUCTURE: The Physical Approach—J. C. D. Brand and J. C. Speakman—
Arnold, E. & Co. (St. Martins), 300 p., illus.,
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The Nature of Science and Other Essays—David Greenwood, foreword by Rosgyll Ayres—Philosophical Lib., 95 p., \$3.75. Deals with some of the most controversial areas in the philosophy of science.

NUTRITIONAL EVALUATION OF FOOD PROCESSING -Robert S. Harris and Harry von Loesecke, Eds. -Wiley, 612 p., \$12. Experts discuss and evaluate the nutritional effects of the processing of foods, and indicate how certain procedures may be altered to minimize losses in nutritional values.

ONE HUNDRED SELECTED GAMES-M. M. Botvinnik, transl. from Russian by Stephen Garry— Dover, 272 p., illus., paper, \$1.50. Reprint includes world champion's article on the Russian and Soviet school of chess.

ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL Equations THEIR SOLUTIONS—George M. Murphy—Van Nostrand, 451 p., \$8.50. Reference work on methods for solving ordinary differential equations, with tabulation of some 2,000 differential equations and their solutions.

Organic Chemistry—Allan R. Day and Madeleine M. Joullie—Van Nostrand, 864 p., \$9.50. Introductory text for intensive course for chemistry majors.

Physics Calculations—George I. Sackheim -Macmillan, 267 p., \$3.50. For use in the average course in beginning physics.

RAILROADS IN THE DAYS OF STEAM—Albert L. McCready with Lawrence W. Sagle—American Heritage (Golden Press), 153 p., 170 illus., \$3.50. Pictorial history of the great period of railroad building in America.

RESCUE FROM THE AIR-Michael Gibson-Abelard-Schuman, 159 p., illus. by Gordon Davies, photographs, \$3. Presents the work of the world-wide American Air Rescue Service and the British Search and Rescue organization.

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Scientific Papers and Discussions: Detroit Divisional Meeting, 1959—Jaques S. Gottlieb and Garfield Tourney, Eds.—Am. Psychiatric Assn., 328 p., paper, \$3. Reports on research in psychotherapy, psychosomatic and psychopharmacologic studies, research in schizophrenia, and space age psychiatry.

STATICS OF SOIL MEDIA-V. V. Sokolovski,

transl. from Russian by D. H. Jones and A. N. Schofield - Butterworths (Canada), 237 p., \$10.50. On the theory of critical equilibrium and theoretical research in problems of plastic failure.

THERMOELECTRICITY: A Report for Business-Donald Bobo and others-Thermoelectric Associates, 126 p., illus., paper, first copy \$35; each additional \$10. Summary of technology and its applications, by group of graduate students of the Harvard Business School.

Using Wayside Plants - Nelson Coon -Hearthside Press, 3rd rev. ed., 254 p., illus., \$3.95. How to identify and use wild plants for food, medicine and nature craft.

Welcome the Birds—Esme Stewart—Hurst (Sportshelf), 107 p., photographs, \$4.25. Author's experiences with birds and taking care of their needs.

YOUR SCIENCE WORLD-Arthur O. Baker, Grace C. Maddux and Helen B. Warrin—Rand McNally, 256 p., illus., \$2.80. Sixth grade science. Science News Letter, June 11, 1960

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