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ADVANCES IN MARINE BIOLOGY, Vol. 2—F. S. Russell, Ed.—Academic Press, 274 p., \$9.50. Contains contributions on the artificial propagation of marine fish, blood groups of marine animals, the present status of some aspects of marine microbiology, and methods of sampling the benthos.

BIRDS OF THE WORLD IN COLOR—Hans Hvas, transl. from German by Gwynne Vevers—Dutton, 211 p., illus. by Wilhelm Eigener, \$4.95. Deals with 1,100 species, each one shortly described and illustrated in color.

EFFECTS OF LOW TEMPERATURES ON STRUCTURAL METALS—NASA (GPO), 55 p., illus., paper, 40¢. A Technology Utilization Report on cryogenic property data.

THE EIGHTFOLD WAY—Murray Gell-Mann and Yuval Ne'eman—Benjamin, W. A., 317 p., \$9; paper, \$4.95. Monograph presents research papers dealing with the classification of strongly interacting particles and their interactions according to the eightfold way symmetry which was recently confirmed by the discovery of the omega minus meson.

THE HISTORY OF ROCKET TECHNOLOGY: Essays on Research, Development and Utility—Eugene M. Emme, Ed.—Wayne State Univ. Press, 320 p., illus., \$8.50. Authoritative articles on the dynamic development of modern rocket technology, on the major U.S. rocket programs, manned flight, and related technology.

HOUSE PLANTS FOR CITY DWELLERS—Alys Sutcliffe—Dutton, 159 p., photographs, line drawings, \$3.95. A practical garden guide written by horticulturist.

INTENSITY THEORY FOR INFRARED SPECTRA OF POLYATOMIC MOLECULES—Lev Aleksandrovich Gribov, transl. from Russian—Consultants, 113 p., paper, \$15. A step-by-step outline of a semi-empirical theory of the intensities and polarizations in infrared spectra.

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LOW TEMPERATURE TECHNIQUES: The Use of Liquid Helium in the Laboratory—A. C. Rose-Innes—Van Nostrand, 162 p., illus., \$4.75. Guide to the use of liquid helium and the production, measurement and employment of very low temperatures in the laboratory.

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MACROMOLECULAR STRUCTURE OF RIBONUCLEIC ACIDS—A. S. Spirin, transl. from Russian, Jacob A. Stekol, Ed.—Reinhold, 210 p., illus., \$10. Describes in compact form the known facts about the macrostructure of the various RNAs.

THE MATHMEN—Leon Terry—McGraw, 222 p., illus. by P. A. Hutchison, \$3.95. About the Greek mathematicians and their contributions, from Thales to Hipparchus.

MEDICAL PRACTICE AND PSYCHIATRY: The Impact of Changing Demands—Committee on Public Education—Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry, 48 p., paper, 75¢. Designed to aid physicians in meeting increased demands from the public for help with the emotions of their patients.

MEN OF ANCIENT IOWA: As Revealed by Archaeological Discoveries—Marshall McKusick—Iowa State Univ. Press, 260 p., illus., \$6.50. A graphic study of the archaeological evidence of the Indians who lived in Iowa.

THE NEW IMPROVED AMERICAN—Bernard Asbell—McGraw, 222 p., \$4.95. Discusses the problems of illiteracy, dropouts, and child geniuses, automation-caused unemployment, and education to meet the challenges of change.

PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECTS IN SEMICONDUCTORS—Solomon Meerovich Ryvkin, transl. from Russian by A. Tybulewicz—Consultants, 402 p., illus., \$22.50. Authoritative presentation of contemporary understanding of the generation, motion and recombination of nonequilibrium carriers in semiconductors.

PLENUM PRESS HANDBOOKS OF HIGH-TEMPERATURE MATERIALS, No. 3: Thermal Radiative Properties—W. D. Wood, H. W. Deem and C. F. Lucks—Plenum Press, 470 p., graphs, \$17.50. This comprehensive compilation of data covers titanium and its alloys, stainless steels, iron, nickel- and cobalt-base superalloys, refractory metals, coated materials, ceramics and graphite.

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SEVEN WOMEN EXPLORERS—Mignon Rittenhouse—Lippincott, 158 p., maps, \$3.95. The stories of women who blazed new trails into regions in Africa, Asia and the Near East.

SOCIAL ASPECTS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN LATIN AMERICA, Vol. II—Jose Medina Echavarría and Benjamin Higgins, introd. by H. M. Phillips—UNESCO (Int'l Doc. Serv. Columbia Univ. Press), \$4.25. A sociologist's and an economist's independent views of Latin American development.

SOVIET RESEARCHES ON LUMINESCENCE—D. V. Skobel'tsyn, Ed., transl. from Russian—Consultants, 152 p., illus., paper, \$27. Originally published (1963) by the USSR Academy of Sciences, the monograph deals with electroluminescence of crystals, investigations of the cathodoluminescence of zinc sulfide and certain other cathodoluminophors.

STRAWBERRY DISEASES—A. G. Plakidas—La. State Univ. Press, 195 p., photographs, \$5. Informative volume for student and researcher.

STRENGTH AND DEFORMATION IN NONUNIFORM TEMPERATURE FIELDS: A Collection of Scientific Papers—Ya. B. Fridman, Ed., transl. from Russian—Consultants, 169 p., diagrams, paper, \$25. A critical review of recent results in the field of thermal stresses and their calculation, thermal fatigue and thermal shocks, resistance to flow, creep and impact.

STRUCTURE FORMATION IN ALLOYS—Il'ya Vasil'evich Sallit, transl. from Russian—Consultants, 140 p., illus., paper, \$18.50. Monograph presenting the mechanism of the formation of the structure of alloys from the viewpoint of the most modern theory of phase transformation.

A STUDY OF WAR—Quincy Wright, abridged by Louise Leonard Wright—Univ. of Chicago Press, 451 p., \$7.50. Abridgement of the 1942 two-volume edition which was the outcome of more than 50 research studies on the causes, nature and control of war.

TODAY'S SPOKEN SPANISH—Rodger A. Farley and Laura Arques de Farley—Scribner, 267 p., photographs, \$4.50. Designed primarily for third-semester college classes, the modern text stresses development of audio-lingual skills with 35 dialogs in the casual Spanish spoken in Central Spain.

TOPICS IN MODERN CHEMISTRY—C. J. Mandelberg—Cleaver-Hume Press (St Martins), 228 p., diagrams, \$7.50. About models and methods, fundamental particles, chemical structure, solutions of electrolytes, compounds of the non-metals and of carbon.

ULTRASOUND: Physical, Chemical and Biological Effects—Isaac Edimovich El'piner, transl. from Russian by F. L. Sinclair—Consultants, 371 p., illus., \$22.50. Comprehensive review of both Soviet and non-Soviet progress in the understanding and application of the effects of ultrasonic waves on living objects and biologically active substances.

UNESCO STATISTICAL YEARBOOK 1963—UNESCO Publications Center (N.Y.), 472 p., paper, \$4. After a lapse of several years, this new edition contains expanded statistical survey of the world's peoples, their education and resources for information through libraries, museums, press, film, television and radio.

UNITS OF MEASUREMENT OF PHYSICAL QUANTITIES—A. G. Chertov, transl. from Russian by Scripta Technica, rev. by Herbert J. Eagle, Ed.—Hayden Bk. Co., 165 p., \$4.75. Describes, analyzes and interrelates the world's quantitative measuring systems, the measuring of mechanical units, acoustic quantities, and of electromagnetic radiation.

UTOPIATES: The Use and Users of LSD 25—Richard Blum and Associates, foreword by Nevitt Sanford—Atherton Press, 303 p., \$8. In this publication of the Institute for the Study of Human Problems, Stanford University, the individual contributions assess the pharmacological effects and the legal, social and psychological issues involved in the use of the mind-altering drug LSD.

WIDENING HORIZONS IN CREATIVITY: The Proceedings of the Fifth Utah Creativity Research Conference—Calvin W. Taylor, Ed.—Wiley, 466 p., illus., \$8.95. Discusses historical reports, creative process studies, development of creativity in education, prediction studies, and creativity in special fields.

THE WILD LIFE OF INDIA—E. P. Gee, foreword by Jawaharlal Nehru—Dutton, 192 p., 64 plates, map, \$5.95. An authoritative discussion of the fauna of India, partly illustrated in color.

THE WORLD OF THE RACCOON—Leonard Lee Rue III—Lippincott, 145 p., photographs by author, \$4.95. Close-up year-round observations of a raccoon family in nature.

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Do You Know?

A surgical drape of *vinylfilm* is replacing linen towels in 15% of all operations in U.S. hospitals, for greater protection against infection.

There will be fewer *dairymen*, larger herds, higher production, and increased total consumption of milk by 1968.

An estimated three percent of the U.S. population is mentally *retarded*.

Earthworms in one acre of land can turn over as much as 30,000 pounds of soil in a year.

An adult *quail* has a "vocabulary" of at least 20 different calls to solve its needs.

A digital *computer* has been built to simulate nerve cell behavior.

By identifying too closely with actors in medical dramas, certain television *viewers* "catch" the disease being portrayed.

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