

# •First Glances at New Books

## Psychology—Education

**SUPERIOR CHILDREN, THEIR PHYSIOLOGICAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**—John Edward Bentley—*Norton*, 331 p., \$3. Society is neglecting its superior children, failing to give them education suited to their abilities. To emphasize this situation, Dr. Bentley has surveyed the available scientific data on bright children and their educational needs. Continued neglect of the valuable asset these children represent will be weakening to social progress, the book indicates.

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## Physiology—Psychology

**READING, WRITING AND SPEECH PROBLEMS IN CHILDREN, A PRESENTATION OF CERTAIN TYPES OF DISORDERS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LANGUAGE FACULTY**—Samuel Torrey Orton—*Norton*, 216 p., \$2. Stressing the physiological basis of language disorders, Dr. Orton discusses origin and treatment of a number of these conditions. Many language disorders, he concludes, may arise from "a deviation in the process of establishing unilateral brain superiority in individual areas."

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## Ethnology

**MARRIAGE AMONG THE YORUBA**—Edward Ward—*Cath. Univ. of America*, 55 p., 57c. See page 362.

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## Drawing

**FREEHAND AND PERSPECTIVE DRAWING: A PRACTICAL TREATISE OF THE PRINCIPLES OF ARTISTIC PERCEPTION AND THE ART OF CORRECT GRAPHIC DELINEATION**—Herbert E. Everett and William H. Lawrence—*American Technical Society*, 72 p., illus., \$1.50.

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## Education

**THE COLLEGE OF THE FUTURE**—Mowat G. Fraser—*Columbia Univ.*, 529 p., \$3.75. A thorough and documented appraisal of fundamental plans and trends in American higher education.

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## Anthropology

**NAVEN, A SURVEY OF THE PROBLEMS SUGGESTED BY A COMPOSITE PICTURE OF THE CULTURE OF A NEW GUINEA TRIBE DRAWN FROM THREE POINTS OF VIEW**—Gregory Bateson—*Cambridge (Macmillan)*, 286 p., plates, \$5. A comprehensive approach to study of primitive cul-

ture. The author reasons that, in addition to explaining what a tribe does and why, it is equally important to take account of the emotional tone. The Naven ceremony, in which men of a head-hunting tribe caricature women, is the subject thus psychologically and ethnologically analyzed.

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## Poetry

**THE RYE IS THE SEA**—Paul Southworth Bliss—*Cirrus Co., Bismarck, N. D.*, 62 p., illus., \$2. A new book of nature verse by a writer whose work has several times been noticed on this page. Mr. Bliss also planned the publication, and has produced something quite out of the ordinary: the book is printed on brown wrapping-paper and bound in grain-sacking. The rubber-block illustrations, again by Harold Matthews, are excellencies in both composition and technique.

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## Natural History

**1001 OUTDOOR QUESTIONS**—Iroquois Dahl—*Funk & Wagnalls*, 406 p., \$2. How long does a bird live? Do the biggest conifers bear the biggest cones? What is meant by an animal "sulling"? How should a porcupine be cooked? These and 997 other questions, including many that would seem quite unreasonable to ask anybody, are all concisely answered here. And he adds a spice of humor with a number of highly improbable yarns—with illustrations.

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## Physics

**DRAKE'S CYCLOPEDIA OF RADIO AND ELECTRONS** (8th ed.)—Harold P. Manly and L. O. Gorder—*Drake*, about 1000 p., \$5. A popular reference book revised to bring it into the most up-to-date perspective in relation to the fast-moving electronic art.

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## Exploration

**THE LAND THAT TIME FORGOT: ADVENTURES AND DISCOVERIES IN NEW GUINEA**—Michael Leahy and Maurice Crain—*Funk & Wagnalls*, 274 p., plates, \$3. Gold hunting led these explorers into the interior of New Guinea, where they reached unmapped highland country, and found a large population of natives in a vast, fertile plateau. The adventures, many of them exciting, are told in lively style.

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## Physics—Astronomy—Fiction

**ZERO TO EIGHTY: BEING MY LIFETIME DOINGS, REFLECTIONS, AND INVENTIONS ALSO MY JOURNEY AROUND THE MOON**—Akkad Pseudoman (E. F. Northrup)—*Scientific Pub. Co.*, 283 p., illus., \$3. Vernesque scientific fiction by an eminent physicist and engineer. The hero of the story creates a means of escaping from the earth's gravity, circles the moon and returns to the earth alive with records. The author believes there are vast possibilities latent in the production of high linear velocities by the use of electrically produced traveling waves of magnetic force.

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## Psychiatry

**THE NEUROTIC PERSONALITY OF OUR TIME**—Karen Horney—*Norton*, 299 p., \$3. The author, a physician, has written this book for the layman, in the hope that neurotic individuals and those who think themselves neurotic may find in it material of interest and value. As she points out, the neurotic will not be able to help himself merely by reading the book, but normal persons who think themselves neurotic will find helpful the carefully explained distinction between neurotic and non-neurotic behavior.

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## Autobiography—Psychiatry

**RECOLLECTIONS OF RICHARD DEWEY, PIONEER IN AMERICAN PSYCHIATRY**—Ethel L. Dewey, editor—*Univ. of Chicago*, 173 p., illus., \$2. During the life of Dr. Richard Dewey from 1845, when America was a frontier country, to 1933, great changes were made in the treatment of the mentally ill. Dr. Dewey was head of the State Hospital for Insane at Kankakee, Illinois, for some fourteen years, and instituted many of these changes.

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## Neurology

**G. CARL HUBER MEMORIAL VOLUME OF THE JOURNAL OF COMPARATIVE NEUROLOGY**—*Wistar Institute*, 711 p., illus., \$7.50. The colleagues of a noted neurologist gather to pay honor to his memory with a series of biographical statements and seven original publications in his special field. The scientific papers are by the late Dr. Huber himself, J. K. Weston, A. A. Pearson, M. W. Young, R. T. Woodburne, J. W. Barnard, and Tryphena Humphrey.

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