

•First Glances at New Books

Biography

AUDUBON, AN INTIMATE LIFE OF THE AMERICAN WOODSMAN—Stanley Clisby Arthur—*Harmanson, New Orleans*, 517 p., \$5. A scholarly, well-documented biography of the famous ornithologist and artist. It outlines his endless journeyings in bold, long strokes, and fills in with careful interlinings of his doings day by day. There are dozens of excellent illustrations, both portraits and bird pictures. Bird-lovers and Audubon-admirers will all want this book.

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Economics

CONSUMPTION AND STANDARDS OF LIVING—Carle C. Zimmerman—*Van Nostrand*, 602 p., \$3.75. Comprehensive yet readable, this covers consumption, food, housing, clothing, spending and saving, and a history of research in this field. See page 121.

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Economic Geology

GOLD DEPOSITS OF THE WORLD, WITH A SECTION ON PROSPECTING—William Harvey Emmons—*McGraw-Hill*, 562 p., \$6. See page 120.

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Economics, Juvenile

MONEY . . . TALKS—Albert Ulmann—*Bruce Humphries*, 159 p., \$2. A sixteen-year-old school boy discusses finance with his father and uncle. Monetary problems, from the days of barter to the present, are explained in readable language.

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Psychology

PRIMITIVE INTELLIGENCE AND ENVIRONMENT—S. D. Porteus—*Macmillan*, 325 p., \$3. See page 72, SNL, July 31.

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Botany

TEA—Llewelyn Williams—*Field Museum of Natural History*, 30 p., 25 c. All about tea, in very small compass, well told and with good pictures.

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Economic History

AN ECONOMIC SURVEY OF ANCIENT ROME. Vol. III: Roman Britain, Roman Spain, Roman Sicily, La Gaule Romaine—R. G. Collingwood, J. J. Van Nostrand, V. M. Scramuzza, and A. Grenier; Ed. by Tenny Frank and others, 664 p., \$4. Describes in detail the industries, resources, educational conditions, and other economic factors in

four western provinces of Rome. The material thus organized should be highly useful for reference to those studying the life of that era from any standpoint.

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Botany

USEFUL PLANTS AND DRUGS OF IRAN AND IRAQ—David Hooper—*Field Museum*, 241 p., \$1.50.

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THE NORTH AMERICAN SPECIES OF RUMEX—K. H. Rechninger, Jr.—*Field Museum*, 151 p., illus., \$1.50.

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Zoology

NEARCTIC COLLEMBOLA OR SPRINGTAILS, OF THE FAMILY ISOTOMIDAE—J. W. Folsom—*Govt. Print. Off.*, 144 p., 30 c. U. S. National Museum Bulletin 168.

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Evolution

A STORY OUTLINE OF EVOLUTION—Chas. W. Grimes—*C. V. Hoagland Co., Somerville, New Jersey*, 286 p., \$2. This book sees all cultural development as evolution. To make the story easier for the non-biologist to grasp, "evolutions" of such diverse things as writing, transportation, music, and morals are discussed first, followed in Part II by the story of organic evolution.

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Zoology

A SURVEY OF THE RESIDENT GAME AND FURBEARERS OF MISSOURI—Rudolf Benning and Werner O. Nagel—*Univ. of Missouri*—215 p., \$1.25. One of the best-endowed states in the Union in the matter of wildlife, Missouri has yet some pretty severe problems to face if it is to remain so. At the beginning of every effort to conserve and restore wildlife must be an inventory of what one has. This monograph supplies it in more than adequate fashion.

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Education

LET'S READ!—Holland Roberts and Helen Rand—*Holt*, 598 p., \$1.44. A school reader of rather unusual type, compiled from selected magazine articles, most of them on scientific or allied subjects. Questions at chapter-ends are designed to stimulate observation and train in systematic thinking.

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Disasters

HUNGRY WATERS—Lowell Thomas—*Winston*, 321 p., \$1.50. The epic of the Great Flood of 1937, told vividly by a master reporter who saw the whole awful spectacle, can grasp it as a tragic entirety, yet is able to pick out and give vivid presentation to significant details. Illustrations, well selected from the best news-picture sources, highlight and emphasize the text. And at the end there is unashamed preachment of sound doctrine on what to do about it.

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Botany

FAMILIAR FLOWERS OF FIELD AND GARDEN—F. Schuyler Mathews—*Appleton-Century*, 310 p., \$2.50. A new edition of an attractive and workable popular key to common cultivated and wild species.

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Zoology

FUR-BEARING MAMMALS OF CALIFORNIA, THEIR NATURAL HISTORY, SYSTEMATIC STATUS AND RELATIONS TO MAN—Joseph Grinnell, Joseph S. Dixon and Jean M. Linsdale—*Univ. of California*—2 vols., 777 p., 345 illus., \$15. set. Sumptuously gotten up, with many beautifully done color plates, this work is also meticulously accurate from the scientific point of view, and gives full details both of the taxonomy and the natural history of the species treated. It automatically becomes a "must" book for all zoologists, wildlife managers, and persons interested in the fur trade, through the whole Pacific Coast area, and as a reference work elsewhere.

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Recreation

GUIDE TO TRAILS AROUND WASHINGTON—Robert Shostek—*published by author. Available from Miss R. M. Petta, 1651 Lamont Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.*, 80 p., maps., 40 c, 50 c post-paid. A guide for hiking parties in the country around the District of Columbia, with incidental notes on natural history features to be seen by the way.

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Education

AN EXPERIMENTAL STUDY AT NEW YORK STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE AT BUFFALO TO DETERMINE A SCIENCE PROGRAM FOR THE EDUCATION OF ELEMENTARY CLASSROOM TEACHERS—Anna M. Gemmill—*Teachers College, Columbia Univ.*, 74 p., \$1.60.

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