## Books of the Week

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THE CHEMICAL FORMULARY: A Collection of Valuable, Timely, Practical, Commercial Formulae and Recipes for Making Thousands of Products in Many Fields of Industry, Volume VIII—H. Bennett, Ed.
—Chemical Publishing Co., 448 p., \$7.00. Recipes for a great variety of things from lemon pie to waterproof matches.

CHEMISTRY OF THE CARBOHYDRATESliam Ward Pigman and Rudolph Maximilian Goepp, Jr.—Academic Press, 748 p., \$10.80. A specialized monograph bringing together previously unassembled material of interest to chemists who are not specialists in the carbohydrate field.

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ESSAYS ON HISTORICAL MEDICINE—Bernard J. Ficarra—Froben, 220 p., illus., \$5.00. Not a technical book, but one for the general reader.

FROM THE GROUND UP: Facts and Figures of the Mineral Industries of the United States—Paul M. Tyler—McGraw-Hill, 248 p., illus., \$3.50. The important factual material necessary for establishing wise national policies concerning basic raw materials.

GENERAL AND APPLIED CHEMISTRY: A Brief College Course—Arnold J. Currier and Arthur Rose—McGraw-Hill, 275 p., illus., \$3.00. Intended for students of agriculture, home economics and other applied sciences.

HANDBOOK OF SOUTH AMERICAN INDIANS, VOLUME 3: THE TROPICAL FOREST TRIBES—Julian H. Steward, Ed.—Govt. Printing Office, 986 p., illus., \$4.50. A wealth of material about the indigenous peoples of South America and their customs, art, music and religion.

HEMOSTATIC AGENTS: With Particular Reference to Thrombin, Fibrinogen and Absorbable Cellulose—Walter H. Seegers and Elwood A. Sharp—Thomas, 131 p., illus., \$4.75. Based on developments during the past few years.

THE JORNADA BRANCH OF THE MOGOLLON —Donald J. Lehmer—University of Arizona Press, 99 p., illus., paper, \$1.25. Report of archaeological findings of excavations by the Arizona State Museum and the Museum of New Mexico.

NH3: Ammonia, Its Uses and Properties-Commercial Solvents Corp., 48 p., illus., paper. Free upon request on business letterhead directly to Commercial Solvents Corp., 17 East 42 St., New York City. General information on the use of ammonia in agriculture and industry.

NORTHWEST ARGENTINE ARCHAEOLOGY-Wendell C. Bennett, Everett F. Bleiler and Frank H. Sommer-Yale University Press, 42 p., illus., paper, \$3.00. A review of literature in this field.

POWER AND PERSONALITY—Harold Dwight Lasswell—Norton, 94 p., \$3.00. Pointing to the need for developing the democratic personality among our people and emphasizing the menace of a paranoid psychotic in a position of power. "All mankind might be destroyed by a single paranoid in a position of power who could imagine no grander exit than using the globe as a gigantic funeral pyre.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF IMAGINATION—Jean-Paul Sartre—Philosophical Library, 285 p., \$3.75. A philosophical work by a French novelist and playwright. Translated from the French.

REPORT OF THE FAO MISSION FOR POLAND -Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 159 p., illus., paper, \$2.00. The mission studied the economic and technical problems involved in the rehabilitation and improvement of the food industries, which, they found, are in a state of emergency.

ROCKETS, GUNS AND TARGETS: Rockets, OCKETS, GUNS AND TARGETS: KOCKETS, Target Information, Erosion Information, and Hypervelocity Guns Developed Dur-ing World War II by the Office of Scientific Research and Development—John E. Burchard, Ed.—Little, Brown, 482 p., \$6. An official record of Divisions 1, 2, and 3 of the NDRC.

THE THEORY OF MATHEMATICAL MA-CHINES — Francis J. Murray — King's Crown, Rev. ed., 139 p., illus., paper, \$3.00. Contains new chapters on "Electronic Digital Computers" and "Noise, Accuracy and Stability."

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GENERAL SCIENCE

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