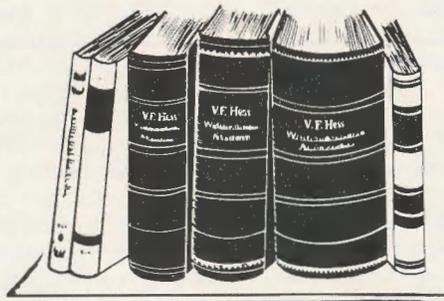


Reference Books

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Reference Books of 1962

A list of last year's outstanding reference books, prepared specially for Lj and recommended by a committee of the Reference Services Division of the American Library Association

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LAST YEAR was particularly notable for the number of major revisions of standard reference works, and the selection below reflects this trend. It indicates an awareness on the part of editors and publishers of the need for up-to-date materials in this field, and deserves commendation.

The number of reference tools examined by the selection committee was many times the total of 107 listed here. The scope of the list — the aim of which is to select publications suitable for small and medium-sized libraries, with emphasis on the public library but with possibilities of usefulness for smaller college libraries — necessarily eliminates a large number of titles.

Fortunately, many of those omitted are given notice in the list for college and research libraries which appears in the journal by that name, and in Frances Neel Cheney's general list in the *Wilson Library Bulletin*, among others.

There are, too, certain types of material that the committee has ruled out of the list but has often felt worthy of mention in the preface. Among such publications should be mentioned the revival of *American Notes & Queries*, by Lee Ash, the first issue of which appeared in September 1962 bearing New Haven as the place of publication. This periodical should assist many reference librarians in locating sources of

quotations and other information that have been baffling them, and Lawrence S. Thompson's section on foreign reference tools should prove particularly helpful in the selection of works in that area.

Ohio Authors and Their Books (Cleveland: World) by William Coyle, provides biographical information not easily found elsewhere on authors who were born or lived in that state. The committee hopes that this work will start a trend of publication of such works, as they would prove useful for each of the states in the Union.

Subscription Books Bulletin Reviews: 1960-1962 (Chicago: ALA) is a work that will save much time in locating evaluations of reference books published in the past three years.

Reference librarians have an adage that there can never be enough biographical compilations in their collections: examination of the list will disclose that several major gaps have been filled by both general and special subject publications. Publishing of reference tools in the fields of fine arts and religion has also remained strong, but such areas as gardening, college guidance, etc., which have been very active in the past several years, appear to have reached a level. Many science and technology works were either too specialized or too expensive for inclusion in this list.



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The committee has, as usual, added several titles that were published in 1961 which came to its notice too late for inclusion in last year's list.

Members of the committee were: Mrs. Julia Bartling, head of the Reference Section, State University of Iowa Library, Iowa City; Penelope Bullock, assistant reference librarian at Eastern Michigan College Library, Ypsilanti; James K. Dickson, head of the Fine Arts Department, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Maryland; Doris M. Savage, head of the History and Travel Division at the Rochester (New York) Public Library; Helen Northrup, head of the General Reference Department at the University of Wisconsin Library, Madison; Margaret Smart, head of the Industry and Science Division, The Dayton and Montgomery County (Ohio) Public Library; Anne F. Sturtevant, head of the Education, Philosophy and Religion Department at the Free Library of Philadelphia; and Thomas S. Shaw, visiting professor at the Louisiana State University Library School, Baton Rouge, chairman.

The committee wishes to thank the reference staffs of each of the libraries mentioned above for the cooperation and assistance given in compiling the list, and the chairman wishes to thank his wife, Mary Elizabeth Shaw, for proofreading the final text.

Biography

(Special biography is listed under subject, e.g. Science and Technology)

CHAMBER'S Biographical Dictionary. J. O. Thorne, ed. rev. ed. N. Y.: St. Martin's Press, 1432p. \$15. Edinburgh & London: Chambers, 70s

Completely revised and expanded by half original size, now contains 15,000 biographies. Includes contemporary personages as well as those of past. Each entry is significant commentary rather than bare listing of facts. Difficult names pronounced. Subject index locates authors through their books, artists through their paintings, historical personalities through associated places and events.

CONTEMPORARY Authors. Vol. 1- Quarterly. Detroit: Gale, 4 vols. per yr. \$25 per yr.

Bio-bibliographical guide to new and relatively unknown as well as established authors. Includes American (and a few foreign) writers of juvenile books, fiction, poetry, texts in social sciences, and nonfiction of general interest. Authors at professional level in technological, physical and biological sciences not included. Works in progress as well as published writings are listed.

DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY. The Concise Dictionary. Part II, 1901-1950. Oxford, England: Oxford University Press, 1961, 528p. \$6.75; 42s

Brief biographies of outstanding Englishmen who have died during the period covered. Supplements Part I (from beginning to 1900) published in 1903 (latest impression, 1953). New feature is select subject index. Future revisions will update Part II every ten years in order that Part I will remain the basic volume.

MORELLO, Theodore, ed. *The Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University; Official Handbook*. N.Y.: New York University Press, 192p. \$4

Only current work on subject. Gives brief biographical sketch and reproduction of bronze bust for each of 89 men and women enshrined. Other material includes chronology of ceremonies, lists of electors, list of names nominated but not chosen with tabulation of votes, and details of the building and organization.

Business

MILLER, E. Willard. *Geography of Manufacturing*. Englewood Cliffs, N. J.: Prentice-Hall, 490p. \$12.65

Survey of history and development of individual companies as well as international, national and area growth of industries. Selected references at end of chapters. Index.

MUNN, Glenn G. *Encyclopedia of Banking and Finance*. 6th ed. rev. by F. L. Garcia. Boston: Bankers Pub. Co., 788p. \$25

Comprehensive; arranged alphabetically by subject, with many cross references. More convenient to use than earlier edition (1950) and its supplement (1956). Bibliographies updated.

NATIONAL Directory of Employment Services; a Guide to Specialized Employment Agencies, Placement Bureaus and Related Services, Associations and Professional Societies, Colleges and Universities, Commercial. Detroit: Gale, 239p. \$25

Lists about 4800 agencies in United States and Canada. Each entry gives officers, address, telephone number, date founded, type of occupational placement. Vocational index.

ORNE, Jerrold. *The Language of the Foreign Book Trade.* Chicago: American Library Association, 213p. \$5.50

Covering 11 languages arranged alphabetically (Czech, Dano-Norwegian, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swedish), provides English equivalents of approximately 16,000 abbreviations, terms and phrases. Greatly expanded, this edition includes three languages (Czech, Polish, Russian) and approximately 10,000 entries not found in 1949 first edition.

OWEN, Donald B. *Handbook of Statistical Tables.* Reading, Mass.: Addison-Wesley, 580p. \$12.50

More than 100 tables of functions including unusual tables not found in other compilations. Bibliography. Index.

PRENTICE-HALL EDITORIAL STAFF. *Accountants' Encyclopedia.* Englewood Cliffs, N. J.: Prentice-Hall, 4 vols. \$39.50

Editors were assisted by a board of 45 contributors representing various phases of the accounting profession. Index.

SHERMAN, Morton. *Industrial Data Guide.* N. Y.: Scarecrow, 368p. \$8.25

Alphabetically arranged by industrial product. Three separate columns under each entry provide: principal manufacturers, major sub-classifications, selected books and articles pertinent to product. Publishers and their addresses are noted following list.

U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STANDARDS. *Growth of Labor Law in the United States.*

Washington: G.P.O., 316p. pap. \$1
Brief histories arranged by subject (child labor laws, industrial homework, minimum wage legislation, workmen's compensation, unemployment insurance, etc.) Charts, tables, and short bibliographies on each subject included. No index.

U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS. *Employment and Earnings Statistics for the U. S., 1909-1960.* rev. ed. Washington: G.P.O., 536p. \$3

Monthly and annual national statistics for non-agricultural workers for such categories as employment, weekly and hourly earnings, weekly and overtime hours, employment of women, and labor turnover rates. Annual issues planned to keep information up to date.

WALTER, Henry C., ed. *Directory of Investment Advisory Services.* Annual. Rochester, N. Y.: FIR Pub. Co., 84p. \$3.95

Over 200 entries give description, publisher, price, and, in many cases, history, publications, and other services of issuing agencies. No evaluation or recommendation is attempted.

Fine Arts

BARACH, Stephanie. *An Introduction to the Language of Music.* Washington: Luce, 120p. \$4.50

Dictionary of over 100 simple definitions with pronunciations and black and white illustrations.

BROCKWAY, Wallace. *The World of Opera.* N. Y.: Pantheon, 723p. \$10

Revision from 1941 edition. "Annals of Performances" with condensed facts on 253 notable works now included.

CARSON, R. A. G. *Coins of the World.* N. Y.: Harper, 642p. \$15

History covering 2500 years. Not a catalog, but includes reproductions of 1,061 characteristic pieces.

CONNOISSEUR MAGAZINE. *The Complete Encyclopedia of Antiques.* N. Y.: Hawthorne, 1472p. \$25

Series of articles drawn from two earlier sets (original total cost \$87). American fields included. Index.

EWEN, David. *The Book of European Light Opera.* N. Y.: Holt, 297p. \$7.50

Lists 167 works, 1728-1949. Includes compositions not ordinarily produced.

EWEN, David, ed. *Popular American Composers, from Revolutionary Times to the Present.* N. Y.: Wilson, 217p. \$7

One hundred and thirty concise biographies, with portraits and bibliographies, of contributors to our popular music. Index covers over 3500 songs and other compositions mentioned in work.

HORNBOSTEL, Caleb. *Materials for Architecture, an Encyclopedic Guide.* N. Y.: Reinhold, 610p. \$20

Articles on great number of materials used in building; e.g. 1½ pages on indium give physical and chemical properties, commercial forms, uses, history, recovery process with two charts; 58 pages on wood alone. Bibliography and index.

HUYGHE, René, ed. *Larousse Encyclopedia of Prehistoric and Ancient Art.* Tr. by Michael Heron, Corinne Lambert and Wendela Schurmann. N. Y.: Prometheus, 414p. \$17.95

Asia, Europe, Africa, New World, covered by authorities. Summaries of historical events. Many illustrations.

KOVEL, R. M. & T. H. *A Directory of American Silver, Pewter, and Silver Plate.* N. Y.: Crown, 352p. \$5.95

List of metal workers' names, many accompanied by their marks as well as place and period. Entries for plated ware manufacturers more numerous than in any other source.

MAILLARD, Robert, ed. *Dictionary of Modern Sculpture.* Tr. from French by Bettina Wadia. N. Y.: Tudor, 310p. \$7.95

Biographical work of over 400 entries for Twentieth Century sculptors. Personal data and critical comment given. Characteristic works illustrated. Index to photographs.

MATTFIELD, Julius. *"Variety" Music Cavalcade, 1620-1961*. rev. ed. N. Y: Prentice-Hall, 713p. \$15

Expanded by 11 years. Chronological checklist. At end of titles published each year is brief account of American events of year: political, social, economic, cultural, sports, etc.

MOORE, Frank Ledlie. *Crowell's Handbook of Gilbert and Sullivan*. N. Y: Crowell, 264p. \$4.95

Cast, setting, songs, choruses, synopsis, historical notes given for each production. Biographies of Gilbert, Sullivan, D'Oyly Carte and many others included.

WHO'S Who in Graphic Art. Zurich: Amstutz & Herdeg, 586p. \$36

Leading illustrators, commercial artists and cartoonists of world. Geographically arranged and indexed. Each sketch includes portrait and bibliography. All entries illustrated by reproductions of eight or 10 works of artist. First issue.

Education

The COLLEGE Blue Book. 10th ed. Ed. by Christian E. Burckel. Box 311, Yonkers, N. Y: 3 vols. \$50; \$36 to educational institutions and libraries; \$33.50 cash with order

Expansion, re-arrangement, division into nine books. Essential contents of several other reference sources incorporated; i. e. foreign scholarships in Book 4 were selected from Unesco's *Study Abroad*, 1960-1961 edition; reprint of school information in Book 5 from Pan American Airway's *New Horizons in Education* (see 1961 list). Different plan for future publication announced: there will be no 11th edition as such; instead, individual books will be published separately.

HAEBICH, Kathryn A. *Vocations in Biography and Fiction*. 2d ed. Chicago: American Library Association, 77p. \$1.75

Updates *Vocations in Fact and Fiction* (1953). Lists 1070 currently available titles.

HAWES, Gene R. *The New American Guide to Colleges*. 2d. ed. completely rev. and enl. N. Y: Columbia University Press, 376p. \$5.95. New American Library, 349p. pap. \$.75

Each entry gives 41 facts of interest to prospective students. New material: fields of graduate study; Canadian and Mexican universities; college discovery index classifying institutions by admissions policy and tuition.

General Reference

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Reference Services Division. *Ready Reference Collection*. Chicago: ALA, 41p. \$.75
Prepared by reference staff of Queens Borough Public Library for Ready Reference Center, Seattle World's Fair, 1962. Up-to-date guide to all fields. Arranged according to Dewey Decimal Classification, with author-title index. Entries provide author, title, imprint, price.

BARTON, Mary N. & BELL, Marion B., eds. *Reference Books*. 5th rev. ed. Baltimore: Enoch Pratt Free Library, 135p. \$1.25

Ninety-two titles have been added to 1959 edition and 24 omitted, with total now 663. Compact and selective list of basic tools. Annotated.

CLAPP, Jane. *Museum Publications: Part I, Anthropology, Archeology, and Art; Part II, Biological and Earth Sciences*. N. Y: Scarecrow, 434p., 610p. \$10; \$14

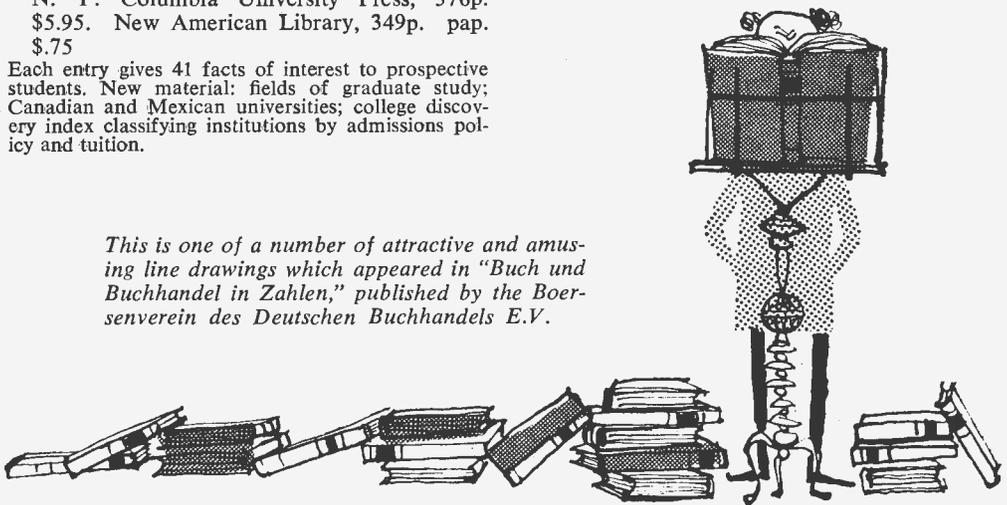
Classified in subdivisions under broad subject headings, this list of 13,647 books, pamphlets and reprints for sale in 1961 by 276 institutions in United States and Canada is a guide to authoritative and generally inexpensive publications. References note author, title, pagination, illustrative material, date, price and publisher. Detailed subject and author index in each volume.

COLLIER'S Encyclopedia. 2d ed. N. Y: Crowell-Collier, 24 vols. \$299.50 (\$199.50 to libraries and schools)

From 20 volumes in previous edition, this revised and updated set expands to 24. Among new features are boxes preceding data on major countries where can be found ready reference information, and maps which help locate the country in relation to geographical area surrounding it. Illustrations and photographs, many new. Classified bibliography lists items through 1961, with many books that are in wide circulation.

DOWNES, Robert Bingham. *American Library Resources*. Suppl. 1950-1961. Chicago: American Library Association, 226p. \$9

This is one of a number of attractive and amusing line drawings which appeared in "Buch und Buchhandel in Zahlen," published by the Boersenverein des Deutschen Buchhandels E.V.



2818 items extending the coverage of basic volume, published in 1951 and now back in print, through another decade. Resembles earlier compilation in arrangement and scope.

HARWOOD, Michael. *The Student's Guide to Military Service.* 1963 ed. Manhasset, N. Y.: Channel Press, 313p. \$5.95; pap. \$2.95

Not a recruiting publication but information about military obligation and relating that duty to future civilian career.

POSTAL, Bernard & ABRAMSON, Samuel H. *The Landmarks of a People; a Guide to Jewish Sites in Europe.* N. Y.: Hill & Wang, 270p. \$5.95

Detailed information about most things of Jewish interest, country by country, and city by city, on both sides of Iron Curtain. Section on each area begins with brief history of its Jewish people from earliest times. Illustrated. Indexed.

ROBERTS, Martha McMillan. *Public Gardens and Arboretums of the United States.* N. Y.: Holt, 148p. \$7.50

Not a complete list but brief history and description of 71 outstanding places open to public. Arranged alphabetically by name. Geographic index. Most illustrations in black and white.

ROSENTHAL, Eric, ed. *Encyclopaedia of Southern Africa.* London; N. Y.: Warne, 1961, 600p. 42s

Twenty-seven comprehensive signed articles by authorities, and nearly 5000 short entries. First encyclopedia of its kind. Treats wide range of subjects from history, climate, natural science, peoples, and language to customs and cookery. Bibliographies and indications of pronunciation are lacking. No index, although cross references appear as main entries and in articles.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION. New York Chapter. Advertising Group. *Guide to Special Issues and Indexes of Periodicals.* N. Y.: 125p. \$5.75

Advertiser and editorial indexes, and special issues or sections found regularly in 799 consumer, trade and technical periodicals. Entries by title, in alphabetical order, with subject and classified index.

SUBJECT Guide to Microforms in Print. Washington: Microcard Editions, 69p. Annual. \$4

Lists microtext publications available from more than 45 sources. Companion volume to *Guide to Microforms in Print*, first published in 1961.

TAGGARD, Jean E. *Pet Names.* N. Y.: Scarecrow, 387p. \$9

List of over 8500 names from many sources and 26 languages divided into sections according to kind of pet, from the largest to the smallest. Hints on how to coin names. Bibliography. Index.

U. S. BUREAU OF THE CENSUS. *County and City Data Book, 1962.* Washington: G.P.O., 669p. \$5.25

Supplementing *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, and sixth of a series, gives statistical information from latest censuses of population, manufactures, business, housing, and other categories for counties, cities, and unincorporated urban areas having 25,000 inhabitants or more.

History and Geography

ADAMS, James Truslow & others, eds. *Album of American History; Index, Vols. 1-5.* N. Y.: Scribner, 1961, 209p. \$10

Each of 6000 pictures in original five-volume set is indexed under subject, each detail in picture under its name. Both subjects and details are grouped into several general categories. Many cross references.

ADAMS, James Truslow, ed. *Concise Dictionary of American History.* Ed. by Wayne Andrews; advisory ed., Thomas C. Cochran. N. Y.: Scribner, 1156p. \$19.50

Condensation of six-volume *Dictionary of American History* contains over 2200 articles. Abridgement achieved by omission of articles, elimination of bibliographical references at end of each article. Index.

AMERICAN HISTORICAL REVIEW. *General Index to Volumes XLI-LX, 1935-1955.* N. Y.: Macmillan, 428p. \$10

Cumulative index to articles, book reviews, and notes. Includes compilers, editors, translators, as well as authors of books which have been reviewed. Many cross references, but more specific subject headings are needed to facilitate location of information.

AVERY, Catharine B., ed. *The New Century Classical Handbook.* N. Y.: Appleton, 1162p. \$15

Most of ancient world revealed in all its aspects as it appeared to ancients themselves. Over 6000 entries. Pronunciation indicated simply. Cross references given for names having several forms.

BEEK, Martin A. *Atlas of Mesopotamia; a Survey of the History and Civilization of Mesopotamia from the Stone Age to the Fall of Babylon.* London & Edinburgh: Nelson, 164p. \$15

Guide through maze of Mesopotamian historical horizons, network of archaeological sites, wealth of monuments, artifacts, inscriptions. Translated from Dutch by D. R. Welsh, and edited by H. H. Rowley. Illustrated by 22 color maps; plates; photographs. Index serves as glossary.

CARRUTH, Gordon, ed. & others. *The Encyclopedia of American Facts and Dates.* 3d. ed. N. Y.: Crowell, 758p. \$6.95

Brief entries covering material through 1961. As in former editions (1956, 1959), items are divided into four fields of interest.

DEACON, George Edward Raven. *Seas, Maps, and Men.* Garden City, N. Y.: Doubleday, 297p. \$9.95

Information about wide range of topics including underwater archaeology, marine biology, oceanography, and the sea as a source of natural wealth and power. Relief maps indicate features of ocean floor. Illustrations. Bibliography. Index.

HAY, Stephen N. & CASE, Margaret H., eds. *Southeast Asian History; a Bibliographic Guide.* N. Y.: Praeger, 138p. \$5

Scholarly, annotated list, first to be compiled on the area and Ceylon. Includes books, articles and dissertations, mostly in English. Author and subject indexes and directory of book dealers specialising in publications of the region appended.

HUCKER, Charles O. *China; a Critical Bibliography*. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 125p. \$3.50

SILBERMAN, Bernard S. *Japan and Korea; a Critical Bibliography*. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 120p. \$3.50

First results of a four-year effort to produce a series of reference guides that facilitate the study of major Far Eastern areas. When complete, series will also include India-Pakistan, and Southeast Asia. Selected, annotated lists of books, periodical articles, and individual chapters and sections of books. Tables of contents serve as broad subject index, and an author index is provided.

HUXLEY, Anthony Julian, ed. *Standard Encyclopedia of the World's Oceans and Islands. Standard Encyclopedia of the World's Mountains*. N. Y.: Putnam, 382p. \$10.95 per vol. London: Weidenfeld, 383p. 45s per vol.

Illustrated volumes with over 300 articles in each giving history, exploration, and other essential facts. Location of each geographical entry is presented on clear two-colored maps. Extensive gazetteers and indexes. No bibliographies.

STAMP, L. Dudley, ed. *A Glossary of Geographical Terms*. Prepared by a Committee of the British Association for Advancement of Science. N. Y.: Wiley, 539p. \$10. London: Longmans, 63s

Pioneer work gives brief definitions of terms used in current geographical literature written in English. Foreign terms which are used untranslated in English are included. Pronunciation and syllabication not indicated. Appendixes. Bibliography.

Literature and Language

AUDEN, Wystan Hugh & KRONENBERGER, Louis, eds. *The Viking Book of Aphorisms; a Personal Selection*. N. Y.: Viking, 405p. \$5.95

Collection of some 3000 entries from about 450 authors in 28 countries of the Western Hemisphere. Arranged by subject, most are not to be found in other quotation books. Only last names of authors are given under citations, but their full names appear in index.

BRYANT, Margaret M., ed. *Current American Usage*. N. Y.: Funk, 290p. \$5

Study of controversial points of use in syntax, generally excluding pronunciation and vocabulary. Existing works on practices surveyed, and 900 additional investigations made. In dictionary form, each entry has summary statement on its treatment in standard and nonstandard, spoken and written English, followed by detailed discussion with bibliographical citations. Sponsored by National Council of Teachers of English.

BURKE, William J. *American Authors and Books*. N. Y.: Crown, 834p. \$8.50

This revision of the 1943 edition by Irving R. Weiss concentrates on updating author and title entries. Many of the subject entries in old edition (book clubs, fictional characters, etc.) have been omitted. Concise entries in dictionary form cover period 1640 to present.

CROSS, Tom Peete. *A Reference Guide to English Studies*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 171p. \$5; pap. \$1.95

Revision and enlargement of last edition (1951) entitled *Bibliographical Guide to English Studies*, by Donald F. Bond. Lists, with some annotations, basic sources for study of literature. New section on language added.

EAKIN, Mary K., comp. *Good Books for Children; a Selection of Outstanding Children's Books Published 1948-61*. rev. & enl. ed. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 362p. \$6.50; Phoenix Press, pap. \$1.95

One hundred new titles for each of the years 1958-1961 have been added to bring this annotated list up to date. New entries selected from books given "R" recommendation in *Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*, Laboratory School, University of Chicago. Ninety-six out-of-print titles have been dropped from first edition (1959) bringing total number now listed to 1,306.

GRANGER, Edith. *Index to Poetry*. 5th ed. N. Y.: Columbia University Press, 2123p. \$50

Covers anthologies published through June 30, 1960. Subject index section expanded with additional headings. Previous volumes will still be useful as many titles in 4th edition (1953) and 1957 supplement have been dropped.

HAYWOOD, Charles. *A Bibliography of North American Folklore and Folksong*. 2d. rev. ed. N. Y.: Dover, 1961, 2 vols., 1301p. \$12.50

Reprint of 1951 edition (\$27.50). Includes traditions, customs, speech, place names, occupations (cowboy, lumberjack, etc.), folklore and folksong of ethnic groups of North America with expanded table of contents for Volume II (American Indian), and new index supplement of composers, arrangers, and performers.

HERZBERG, Max J. & Staff of Thomas Y. Crowell Co. *Reader's Encyclopedia of American Literature*. N. Y.: Crowell, 1280p. \$12.95

Illustrated, alphabetical guide to literature of Canada and United States from beginning to 1962. Author, title, subject entries. Longer signed articles discuss major authors, forms of writing, literary movements.

INDEX to the Best Plays Series, 1949-1960. N. Y.: Dodd, 1961, 46p. \$3.50

Second cumulative index for series. (Supplements first *Index* published in 1950 covering years 1899-1950). Concise guide to 20th century theatrical productions through alphabetical listing of plays and separate indexes for authors, adapters, composers, lyricists.

KUNTZ, Joseph M. *Poetry Explication*. 2d. ed. Denver: Swallow, 331p. \$4.75

Checklist of interpretations published between 1925 and 1959 for British and American verse. New book and periodical titles added to sources indexed in first edition (1950).

LANGENSCHIEDT'S *New Muret-Sanders Encyclopedic Dictionary of the English and German Languages*. N. Y.: Barnes & Noble.

Pt. I: English-German, Vol. 1, A-M, 883p.
\$17.50

Complete revision of 1908 edition. Dr. Otto Springer is editor with the assistance of an international group of scholars in subject fields. Aims at blend of general and specialized vocabulary. American pronunciation, spelling, and vocabulary given equal treatment with British. Traditional Gothic type replaced by Roman. N-Z, English-German, and two German-English volumes to appear later.

MAWSON, Christopher O. S. *Roget's International Thesaurus*. 3d. rev. ed. N. Y.: Crowell, 1258p. \$5.95; thumb indexed \$6.95

Complete revision of 1946 edition. Roget's original system of grouping words according to their ideas retained. For the first time, new categories (mainly scientific and technological) have been added. Quotations that appeared in previous editions eliminated.

MORRIS, William. *Dictionary of Word and Phrase Origins*. N. Y.: Harper, 376p. \$6.95

Informal presentation of background of idiomatic, colloquial, and slang expressions popular today in American usage.

NEISWENDER, Rosemary. *Guide to Russian Reference and Language Aids*. N. Y.: Special Libraries Association, 92p. \$4.25

Up-to-date list of 225 items including textbooks and readers, records, dictionaries, glossaries, encyclopedias, geographical works, indexes, bibliographies.

NEW CASSELL'S *French Dictionary; French-English, English-French*. N. Y.: Funk, 762p.; 655p. \$7.50; thumb indexed \$8.50

Major revision of 1951 edition by Denis Girard. Obsolete words deleted. French-Canadian vocabulary included for first time.

REYNOLDS, Barbara, ed. *The Cambridge Italian Dictionary*. Vol. I: Italian-English.

Cambridge, England: Cambridge University Press, 897p. \$25

Originally undertaken as a revision of Hoare's *Italian Dictionary* (1925), it has developed into an entirely new work. Many subject specialists have contributed. Etymology (a feature of Hoare's) is generally not included. Volume II (English-Italian) scheduled for much later publication.

VITAL *Speeches Cumulative Index by Author and Topics, Volumes I-XXV, October 8, 1934-October 1, 1959; a Semi-monthly Journal, Printing in Full the Important Addresses of the Leading Moulders of Public Opinion*. N. Y.: City News Pub. Co., 137p. \$12.50

Speeches by and about authors. Topics indexed in separate sections.

Political Science

BLUM, Eleanor. *Reference Books in the Mass Media*. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 103p. \$1.50

Selective, annotated list of 216 items classified by media. Directory of publishers, with current addresses, and author, title, subject index.

BRIMMER, Brenda & others. *A Guide to the Use of United Nations Documents*. Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.: Oceana, 272p. \$6

Identification, ordering and maintaining collections of publications of the United Nations and its specialized agencies. Suggestions for research workers in locating and using material. Many bibliographical entries.

BROOKS, Alexander D. *A Bibliography of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties*. N. Y.: Civil Liberties Educational Foundation, Inc., 151p. pap. \$1.95

Historical as well as contemporary aspects. Titles in fiction, biography, films, filmstrips, and records supplement listings of regular works. Annotated.

DELANEY, Robert Finley. *The Literature of Communism*. Washington: Catholic University of America Press, 433p. \$6.50

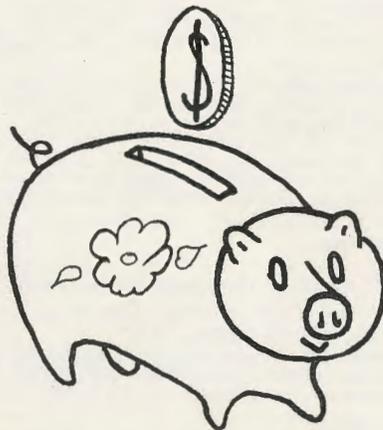
Including both anti- and pro-communist titles, this guide is mainly to literature on that movement in America, with particular emphasis on the US. Annotations are succinct and to the point. Following sections treating reference and general works, arrangement is by subject. Detailed author, title, subject index covers 73 pages.

LAWSON, Ruth C., ed. *International Regional Organizations; Constitutional Foundations*. N. Y.: Praeger, 450p. \$8.50; pap. \$2.50

Charters or agreements for 25 contemporary intergovernmental organizations are grouped according to region. Each instrument is preceded by descriptive and historical notes. Short bibliographies but no index. All, with the exception of one or two promulgated in 1961, are among those in 1961 two-volume edition of Amos J. Peaslee's *International Governmental Organizations — Constitutional Documents*.

BOOKS ON A BUDGET

A home reference
library recommended to fit
four family budgets



Cover of a useful book list from the San Diego (California) Public Library

LEGUM, Colin, ed. *Africa; a Handbook to the Continent*. N. Y.: Praeger, 553p. \$15. London: Blond, 84s

Part I surveys each country in single chapters giving information to July 1961 on such subjects as political development, economic growth, climate, population, travel and visa requirements, leading personalities. Part II comprises studies about area as a whole on broad range of topics. Bibliographies. Index.

PLANO, Jack C. *The American Political Dictionary*. N. Y.: Holt, 383p. \$3.95

Brief definitions of everyday political expressions arranged under broad topics such as US Constitution, parties, pressure groups, elections, immigration and citizenship. List of terms is followed by descriptions of relevant agencies, cases, and statutes. Indexed and cross-referenced.

SPERBER, Hans & TRITTSCHUH, Travis. *American Political Terms; an Historical Dictionary*. Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 516p. \$14.50

Differing in scope and purpose from the Plano work mentioned above, emphasis is upon historical facts behind each word. Articles are long and give not only definitions but historical and cultural background, quotations to show how terms are used, literary influence on political vocabulary, European parallels, and frequently, puns, snatches of song hits, and anecdotes. Bibliography. No index.

Recreation

MIRACLE, Leonard. *Complete Book of Camping*. N. Y.: Harper, 608p. \$4.95

How to plan a trip, equipment to buy, cuisine, procedures in emergencies, etc.

REICHLER, Joe, ed. *Ronald Encyclopedia of Baseball*. N. Y.: Ronald, various paging. \$10

Memorializing a century of sport. Contains club records; batting, pitching, and fielding statistics; World Series and All-Star games; list of spectacular achievements; official rules; register of players covering 359 pages.

TILDEN, Freeman. *The State Parks; Their Meaning in American Life*. N. Y.: Knopf, 496p. \$5.50

Companion volume to author's *The National Parks* (1951). Discusses background, policies, and problems of state park movement, and provides history, location and description of principal state parks. Brief information on other state recreation areas and list of state parks including their acreages and addresses of their administrative units is appended.

Religion

ALEXANDER, George M. *The Handbook of Biblical Personalities*. Greenwich, Conn.: Seabury Press, 299p. \$5.75

Identifies 800 of most notable names, giving meanings when known, principal Biblical references, and brief factual descriptions.

BLACK, Matthew, ed. & others. *Peake's Commentary on the Bible*. London; N. Y.: Nelson, 1126p. 70s.; \$15

First published in 1919, with supplements in 1936, now entirely re-written. Contributions from more than 60 scholars, both British and American. Forty general articles covering background material for Biblical commentary, based on Revised Standard Version. Detailed index; 16 colored maps.

BUTTRICK, George Arthur, & others, eds. *The Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible; an Illustrated Encyclopedia Identifying and Explaining All Proper Names and Significant Terms and Subjects in the Holy Scriptures, Including the Apocrypha*. N. Y.: Abingdon, 4 vols. \$45

Major work with signed articles by authorities representing various faiths and countries. Many subjects have bibliographic notations, and cross references are extensive. Similar in format to the *Interpreter's Bible*, with one tenth of space given to illustrations.

DIEHL, Katherine Smith. *Religions, Mythologies, Folklores; an Annotated Bibliography*. 2d. ed. N. Y.: Scarecrow, 573p.

Considerably expanded since 1956 edition, particularly in coverage of Islamic and Hindu literature. Lists 2388 items published from 1900 through 1960.

DOUGLAS, James Dixon, ed. & others. *The New Bible Dictionary*. London: Inter-Varsity Fellowship, 1375p. 45s. Grand Rapids, Mich: Eerdmans, \$12.95

Based on Authorized Version, represents point of view of conservative Protestantism. One hundred thirty-nine contributors including specialists in such fields as philology, geography, botany. All 2300 articles initialed. Numerous line drawings, 16 pages of photographs, 17 colored maps.

GAUSTAD, Edwin Scott. *Historical Atlas of Religion in America*. N. Y.: Harper, 179p. \$8.95

Traces development of religious groups from 1650 to 1960. Maps, charts, graphs combined with factual discussion. Arrangement in chronological order, then by denomination, with special section treating Indians, Jews, Negroes; also Alaska and Hawaii. Folded map "Religion in America, 1950" inserted in back pocket. Index.

JOY, Charles Rhind. *Harper's Topical Concordance*. rev. & enl. ed. N. Y.: Harper, 628p. \$8.95

Approximately 8,200 new texts and 625 new topics have been added since last edition (1940). Headings such as integration, morale, unemployment, secularism reflect present concerns of church. Holidays and other special days now listed as subjects.

LIERDE, Peter Canisius van. *The Holy See at Work; How the Catholic Church Is Governed*. Tr. by James Tucek. N. Y.: Hawthorn, 254p. \$5

Explains responsibilities and working procedures of Pope, cardinals, members of curia, permanent commissions, international organizations.

MAY, Herbert Gordon, ed. *Oxford Bible Atlas*. Edited with assistance of R. W. Hamilton and G. N. S. Hunt, London; N. Y.:

Oxford University Press, 144p. 21s., \$4.95; pap. \$2.50

Three-dimensional effect adds to interest and clarity of 26 colored maps, which are accompanied by concise notes. Supplementary material provided in introduction entitled "Israel and the Nation" and concluding chapter "Archaeology and the Bible"; gazetteer; many photographs.

REGIS, Sister, ed. *The Catholic Bookman's Guide*. N. Y.: Hawthorn. 638p. \$12.95

Twenty-three specialists contributed to this bibliography, critical evaluation and general discussion of Catholic literature. Part I: bibliographical sources, church regulations regarding reading, book reviewing. Parts II-V: books in religion, philosophy, psychology, literature, social sciences.

WEIGLE, Luther A., ed. *The New Testament Octapla*. N. Y.; Edinburgh: Nelson, 1489p. \$20; £8 8s.

Presents full text of eight major English translations from Tyndale to Revised Standard Version, arranged on facing pages.

Science and Technology

AMERICAN HERITAGE. *American Heritage History of Flight*. N. Y.: Simon & Schuster, 416p. \$15

Comprehensive history of aviation. Includes recent interviews with American and European air pioneers. Index leads to names of individuals; models and manufacturers; record flights.

BAAR, James & HOWARD, William E. *Spacecraft and Missiles of the World*. N. Y.: Harcourt, 117p. \$5.95

Compiled by former editors of *Missiles and Rockets Magazine*. Presents as much information as possible without violating military security. Index.

BURTON, Maurice. *Systematic Dictionary of Mammals of the World*. N. Y.: Crowell, 307p. \$7.50

Arranged by family and order, supplies information on characteristics, habitats, food, breeding, longevity. Index.

FAUST, Joan Lee, ed. *New York Times Garden Book*. N. Y.: Knopf, 379p. \$6.95

Over 100 articles written by horticultural experts since 1957. Information particularly suited to north-eastern states. Detailed table of contents. Index. Some 1962 materials in suggestions for further reading.

GRIMM, William Carey. *Book of Trees*. 2d. ed. Harrisburg, Pa: Stackpole, 487p. \$10

Includes 40 large shrubs and small trees as well as section on exotic varieties not in 1957 edition. Large drawings of leaves aid in accurate identification. Summer and winter keys to each species; list arranged according to families; index appended.

IRELAND, Norma Ruth (Olin). *Index to Scientists of the World*. Boston: Faxon, 662p. \$12

Biographical data from wide number of sources for more than 7400 notables from ancient to modern times. Reference to portraits included.

JENKINS, Frances Briggs. *Science Reference Sources*. 3d. ed. Champaign: Illini Union Bookstore, University of Illinois, 135p. \$2

Up-to-date guide to literature of physical, biological, applied sciences. Arranged by subject with subdivisions by type of reference sources.

NAFT, Stephen. *International Conversion Tables; Weights, Measures, Gauges, Currencies, Conversion Equivalents and Factors, Technical Units, Alphabets, and Other Useful Information*. N. Y.: Duell, 372p. \$7.50

Toronto: Longmans, 1961, \$8.50

Indexes include guide to tables, systems of measurement, and systems of measurement by country.

PALMER, Ralph Simon, ed. *Handbook of North American Birds*. New Haven: Yale University Press, Vol 1: Loons through flamingos. \$15

Twenty-six authorities contributed to this first volume of definitive work sponsored by American Ornithologist's Union and New York State Museum and Science Service. Charts, maps, illustrations of identifying characteristics included. Mexican species omitted.

PAN AMERICAN UNION. Division of Science Development. *Guide to Latin American Scientific and Technical Periodicals*. Washington: PAU, 187p. \$4

Centro de Documentación Científica y Técnica de México assisted in the preparation of this annotated list of about 1000 titles. Publisher, address, frequency, average number of pages to issue, language of publication included. Arranged by subject with item numbers assigned to individual entries. Geographic approach provided in index by country with titles under each country referring to item numbers in list.

PARK, Bertram. *World of Roses*. N. Y.: Dutton, 242 col. \$15

Color reproductions of 230 different roses. Description of varieties includes American Rose Society rating of garden value as well as All-America Rose selections and note of special awards.

SUSSKIND, Charles, ed. *Encyclopedia of Electronics*. N. Y.: Reinhold, 974p. \$22.50

London: Chapman. £9

Five-hundred subjects presented and signed by authorities with cross references to related subject matter. Biographical information on some outstanding individuals in field. Illustrations. Index.

U. S. NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION. *Short Glossary of Space Terms*. Washington: G. P. O., 57p. \$25

Material selected from *NASA Dictionary of Space Terms* to be published soon.

WINBURNE, John N., ed. *A Dictionary of Agricultural and Allied Terminology*. East Lansing, Mich: Michigan State University Press, 905p. \$15

Forestry, insects, plant diseases, beekeeping, products and processing, horticulture are some of allied fields covered. Main entries under common rather than scientific names. Brief definitions, not too technical.

