

**Conscious Orientation.** By Dr. J. H. VAN DER HOOP. London: Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner & Co., 1939. Pp. vi + 352. Price 15s.

This book by Prof. van der Hoop is divided into three parts—psychology and the types of conscious orientation, psychiatry and the types of conscious orientation, and a philosophical commentary. The author, who was analysed by Jung, nevertheless considers that Freud is more thorough and employs Freudian analysis in the treatment of the neuroses. The book is written from the standpoint of a practising physician, and is an interesting blending of the two schools of thought.

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**Introduction to Experimental Psychology.** By C. W. VALENTINE. Third edition. London: University Tutorial Press, 1939. Pp. x + 283. Price 4s. 6d.

This small book is written primarily for students of educational psychology. This, the third edition, is a considerable enlargement of the first and second editions. As in the second edition, the new material is placed at the end of the book. The book is divided into two parts, the first detailing the experiments and the second the discussion of the results of the experiments. It is an extremely lucid and coherent account and will be most useful to those for whom it is written.

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**A Survey of Child Psychiatry.** Edited by R. G. GORDON. London: Oxford University Press, Humphrey Milford, 1939. Pp. xii + 278. Price 10s. 6d.

This book, which is published by the Child Guidance Council, contains contributions by twenty-one authors. The book is divided into four divisions, dealing with problems related to physical illness, problems related to mental illness, sociological aspects, and special syndromes. The attempt to crush mental disorders associated with biochemical and metabolic disturbances into one small chapter of eight pages seems a great pity, as it is a most important subject. It is probably true that most cases of children suffering from mental disorders do not have their biochemistry adequately investigated.

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**The Study of Society: Methods and Problems.** Edited by F. C. BARTLETT *et al.* London: Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner & Co., 1939. Pp. xii + 498. Price 10s. 6d.

This is an extraordinarily good book on the various problems presented by society looked at from a variety of angles. The book is divided into sections dealing with "some problems of social psychology", "social applications of psychological tests and other methods," "some methods of social anthropology", and "some methods of sociology". The nineteen chapters are written by seventeen different authors, and it would be invidious to select any chapter as being better done than another. The book is the result of the work of a social psychological discussion group and is very well worth reading.

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**The Surgery of Pain.** By RENÉ LERICHE. London: Baillière, Tindall & Cox, 1939. Pp. 512 + xix. Price 21s.

Prof. Young is to be congratulated on a good translation of Prof. Leriche's book on the *Surgery of Pain*. Young was a disciple of Hilton's *Rest and Pain*,