

tant collaborators the phrase "assisted by the authors" occurs. This remark applies to the whole book. Never before have we had such short, concise, yet ample taxonomic descriptions. Paleontologists (and others) would do well to "read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest." The bibliographic references are full and well chosen.

Shimer and Shrock have managed to combine the strictly scientific with the fully utilitarian. Paleontologists will thank them for the time they have spent in determining genotypes, time saved for the individual worker. Stratigraphers will thank them for the excellent illustrations and lucid descriptions. Every geologist and paleontologist must have access to a copy, and to those whose livelihood depends upon stratigraphic knowledge it is indispensable.

I shall not use the trite expression that it is a "labor of love" on the part of the authors. It is a labor of service. They get nothing from it except the thanks of those whom they have so well served and the realization that a long arduous task is finally done, and I think all will agree with me, extremely well done.

The book has, of course, the inevitable minor faults. A few letters and figure numbers got misplaced, and some authors are free, who should be in brackets. But the whole work gives evidence of the most painstaking care; and of careful selection of those fossils most likely to prove useful. Some workers will deprecate the fact that almost twice as many pages are devoted to the crinoids as to the Foraminifera, for the latter are thousands of times more abundant than the former, and infinitely more useful. But there are good manuals for the identification of "forams," whereas the determination of a crinoid until now has been a matter of lengthy search. Moore and Laudon's diagrams are most helpful in bringing the crinoids within the grasp of the non-specialist. Cooper's chapter, 89 pages, goes a long way toward restoring the brachiopods to their once honored position as highly important index fossils. All in all, this book gives to the general practitioner much that has been the property of the specialist. Accurate identifica-

tions can be made far more easily than heretofore. It is the greatest contribution to advancement in our branch of science since the first edition of the Eastman-Zittel Text-book of Paleontology.

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VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS

Vegetable Fats and Oils (Their Chemistry, Production and Utilization for Edible, Medicinal and Technical Purposes). By GEORGE S. JAMIESON. Second edition. 508 pp. New York City: Reinhold Publishing Company. 1943. \$6.75.

In writing the second edition of his book, Dr. Jamieson has again performed a valuable service to all those engaged in the study and use of vegetable fats and oils. Although there has been no extensive alteration of the arrangement of subject-matter, Dr. Jamieson has corrected several misstatements and many awkward phrases that crept into the earlier edition. The ideas are now clearly expressed.

Several devices have been used to bring the book up to date. Whole paragraphs or pages of new material have been added, especially in the description of fats and oils analyzed only since the publication of the first edition and in the chapter on methods. At other points, new literature references were added to the lists furnished previously with many sections throughout the book or, as on page 16, a sentence refers the reader to a symposium and another book in the field.

The reviewer had hoped that, in bringing out his second edition, Dr. Jamieson would attempt a more critical appraisal of the existing literature. With his intimate acquaintance of so many varied approaches to the subject and his acknowledged prestige, the author was in a unique position for that kind of much needed writing. The book does serve to introduce the newcomer to the field and to provide the specialist with a well-organized body of useful information on the source, the general and detailed characteristics and composition, methods of analysis and the uses of the vegetable oils and their component fatty acids.

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AMERICAN MEN OF SCIENCE

SCIENTIFIC MEN RECEIVING STARS IN THE SEVENTH EDITION

FOR the seventh edition of the Biographical Directory of "American Men of Science," there have been selected, by the same objective methods as have been used in previous editions, two hundred and fifty-five names of those not included in earlier selections who are regarded by their colleagues as among the leading

scientific workers in the United States. This method has been fully described in the fourth and earlier editions of the work. Table 1 gives the number of those now living that have appeared in each of the seven editions of the directory.

The names, given below, of those who received stars

TABLE 1
STARS IN AMERICAN MEN OF SCIENCE
Included in Seventh Edition

	First Edition	Second Edition	Third Edition	Fourth Edition	Fifth Edition	Sixth Edition	Seventh Edition	Total
Anatomists	10	4	5	3	5	5	7	39
Anthropologists ..	3	2	6	2	5	5	5	28
Astronomers	10	3	15	11	13	13	13	78
Botanists	37	16	21	23	25	25	25	172
Chemists	28	26	42	40	41	43	44	264
Geologists	24	16	24	21	23	24	27	160
Mathematicians ..	31	13	26	18	20	20	21	149
Pathologists	14	11	21	14	14	15	15	104
Physicists	46	20	43	34	36	37	37	262
Physiologists	9	8	16	9	9	10	11	72
Psychologists	19	7	15	9	11	12	13	86
Zoologists	58	20	30	30	35	36	37	246
Totals	289	155	264	214	237	245	255	1659

in the seventh edition are grouped under twelve sciences. This is the same grouping as has been used in previous editions.

Anatomists

William Bloom, University of Chicago
Elizabeth Crosby, University of Michigan
Chester H. Heuser, Carnegie Institution, Baltimore
Joseph C. Hinsey, Cornell University Medical College
J. Parsons Schaeffer, Jefferson Medical College
Gordon H. Scott, University of Southern California
William F. Windle, Med. Sch., Northwestern University

Anthropologists

John M. Cooper, Catholic University of America
Carl E. Guthe, University of Michigan
Alfred I. Hallowell, University of Pennsylvania
Wilton M. Krogman, University of Chicago
Harry L. Shapiro, American Museum of Natural History

Astronomers

S. Chandrasekhar, Yerkes Obs., University of Chicago
Wallace J. Eckert, U. S. Naval Observatory
Robert R. McMath, McMath-Hulbert Observatory
Nicholas U. Mayall, Lick Obs., Univ. of California
Rudolph Minkowski, Mt. Wilson Obs., Carnegie Inst.
William W. Morgan, Yerkes Obs., University of Chicago
Svein Rosseland, Princeton University
Martin Schwarzschild, Columbia University
Lyman Spitzer, Yale University
P. Swings, Yerkes Obs., University of Chicago
A. N. Vyssotsky, University of Virginia
Fred L. Whipple, Harvard Observatory
Olin C. Wilson, Mt. Wilson Obs., Carnegie Institution

Botanists

Ernest G. Anderson, Calif. Institute of Technology
John M. Arthur, Boyce Thompson Institute
Eugene C. Auchter, U. S. Department of Agriculture
George S. Avery, Jr., Connecticut College
P. R. Burkholder, Yale University
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Jens Clausen, Stanford University

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Charles Drechsler, U. S. Department of Agriculture
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John S. Karling, Columbia University
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Barbara McClintock, Carnegie Inst., Cold Spring Harbor
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Walter Muenscher, Cornell University
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Kenneth Thimann, Harvard University
Philip R. White, Rockefeller Institute, Princeton
Frederick A. Wolf, Duke University

Chemists

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Laurence O. Brockway, University of Michigan
Wallace R. Brode, Ohio State University
George Calingaert, Ethyl Gasoline Corporation
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Much discussion has appeared in the columns of *SCIENCE* in regard to the desirability of the starring system and in regard to possible changes from the present method of selection.

It was planned to revise the system of starring for the seventh edition. A distinguished committee was appointed by the American Association for the Advancement of Science to study and to look into methods that might be used in order that a fair distribution of stars among the different sciences be made. Special attention should be given to those working in related and cross-over sciences, which under the present system do not necessarily have full consideration. Owing to the war, however, the committee of the Association was not able to function in time for the publication of the seventh edition, but it is hoped that a completely revised plan beginning with the eighth edition will be evolved.

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SPECIAL ARTICLES

ANTIBIOTINS¹

IN accordance with our interest in antibiotic compounds we have explored further the antibiotic activity of certain derivatives of biotin and other compounds which are structurally related to biotin. The

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antibiotin activity of desthiobiotin for some microorganisms has already been reported.^{2,3}

We thought it also might be timely to record the microbiological activity of compounds which did not possess antibiotic activity but which stimulated the

² K. Dittmer, D. B. Melville and V. du Vigneaud, *SCIENCE*, 99: 203, 1944.

³ V. G. Lilly and L. H. Leonian, *SCIENCE*, 99: 205, 1944.