tions. The methods are applied to several standard examples from the theory of nonlinear wave propagation, such as one-dimensional gas dynamics and electromagnetic wave propagation in an anisotropic dielectric.

The second half of the book is a systematic account of nonlinear wave propagation which is described by means of the so-called "Lundquist equations" of magnetohydrodynamics, primarily in situations where there is variation with only one spatial coordinate. This limitation to the Lundquist equations, of course, rules out most of the areas of greatest ignorance in the problem of nonlinear waves in conducting media. That is the price the authors are willing to pay for being able to write a book in which most of the loose ends can be neatly tied up before the end.

The greater part of the book is of a genre of scientific writing which is surely all too rare: honest mathematics applied to physical problems, but with formal rigor played down below the point at which it becomes unpalatable to a physicist. Except for some relatively minor criticisms (for example, the key section 1.7, "Rays and wave fronts," is perhaps too cryptic to be read without prior knowledge), it is difficult to find fault with this book. Those who are involved with plasmas in a more worldly sense may regret the aforementioned sacrifice of physical relevance in the choice of material for the second half of the work; but few will be able to deny being able to learn a great deal from it.

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Pacific Basin Geology

Marine Geology of the Pacific. H. W. Menard. McGraw-Hill, New York, 1964. xiv + 271 pp. Illus. \$12.50.

More than a century ago Charles Darwin deduced that the central basin of the Pacific Ocean had deeply subsided, and that surrounding areas of the Pacific had risen. The relation of continents to ocean basins has been of fundamental concern to geologists ever since.

In the past two decades a vast amount of information concerning the Pacific Ocean has been acquired in the fields of bathymetry, seismic exploration, gravity, magnetism, heat flow, petrology, and volcanism. Much of this information comes from expeditions sponsored by the Scripps Institute of Oceanography. Some has been published in specialized journals; some has not been published at all. It is a real pleasure, therefore, to find a book that provides a synthesis of this information for the Pacific Ocean area.

Menard's chief concerns are the great structural features of the Pacific—the vast rises of more than continental dimensions, such as the East Pacific Rise, the island arcs and trenches, and the great fracture systems that cut the rises into blocks that apparently have moved independently. Convection currents in the deep mantle are favored as a mechanism to explain movements of the crustal blocks and downbuckling of the trenches.

The one known example of ancient or "fossil" rise is described in detail and named, appropriately, the Darwin Rise. It stretches from the Mariana Islands nearly to South America, and includes a large proportion of the atolls and guyots (drowned ancient islands) of the world. The history of the formation of this rise in Mesozoic time and of its subsidence through Cenozoic time has been inferred by studies of drilling on atolls, dredging on guyots, and geophysical and bathymetric surveys.

Menard's writing is generally clear, direct, and positive, but more critical review and editing could have eliminated repetitious parts and balanced the presentation. Many major interpretations are merely stated and referenced, whereas minor interpretations, especially in the chapters on pelagic sediments and turbidity currents, are derived in detail.

The text is copiously illustrated with 121 figures. Many are excellent, but, for clarity, a number should have been more carefully captioned. The excellent and large physiographic diagram of the northeastern Pacific which accompanies the volume should have been printed on better paper than that provided by the publisher. A bathymetric chart of the Pacific Ocean is provided by reproducing 14 overlapping, full-page figures. The careful reader will constantly refer to these, and he will have to turn from one to another to compare features.

The book is not a treatise. It will interest most geologists not because it provides the answers, but because it clarifies some of the principal problems

and illustrates how information in various fields can be used. It would be an excellent textbook for a course in marine geology if used critically in conjunction with other sources. The author's habit of positive statement should stimulate students to turn to original reports, which are abundantly referenced throughout, and to compare alternative interpretations. The glossary of geographic names and locations is most useful, and the book is well indexed.

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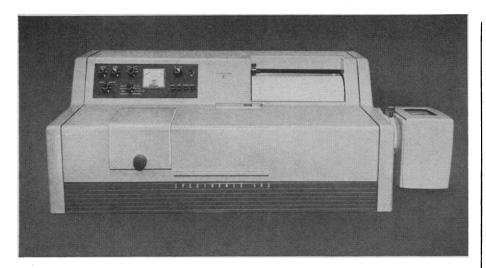
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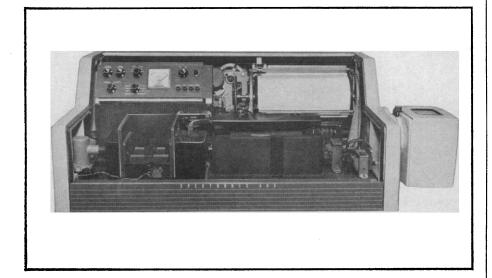
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