

Trees

By ANDREAS FEININGER. The Viking Press, New York and the Macmillan Co. of Canada, Toronto. 1968. 160 illus., 116 pp. \$23.75.

In this volume Mr. Feininger presents a series of absolutely beautiful full-page photographs, one quarter of which are in colour, which have been selected from over 5000 photographs taken in his travels throughout the United States and around the world. He has seen beauty in the stately thousand-year-old sequoias, twisted roots, the dead branches of a bristle pine, the annual rings, the bark of a birch tree, a spray of leaves silhouetted against the sky, and many other facets related to trees, which might to the casual observer go unnoticed.

There is an introduction and a chapter on the importance of trees. The pictures then illustrate the succeeding chapters which deal among other things with facts about trees, their various parts, great age and size and the fall colours. The text is

easily written and authoritative, but will I am afraid be little read because of the beauty of the pictures. For each picture there is an accompanying descriptive paragraph, but because these are divorced from the pictures, they too will be little consulted.

That Mr. Feininger is a conservationist is amply attested to by the love and care he has taken in portraying his subjects. His final chapter entitled "You Can Help" is an appeal to the American people to be concerned with preservation of their national heritage.

As an appendix for the interested photographer there is a record of the type of camera, lens and exposure used for each photograph.

The volume which measures 10½ by 12½ inches in size was printed in West Germany by F. Bruckmann KG, Munich.

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International Zoo Yearbook. Vol. 8. Caroline Jarvis and Ruth Biegler (Eds.). Zoological Society of London, London, 1968. Illus. 414 p. \$18.75 (US).

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Ecological Adaptations for Breeding in Birds. David Lack. Methuen, London, 1968 (distributed in the U.S. by Barnes and Noble, New York). Illus. 409 p. \$15 (US).

Encyclopedia of Animal Care. (Formerly Black's Veterinary Directory). William C. Miller and Geoffrey P. West. Williams and Wilkins, Baltimore, ed. 8. 1967. Illus. 1015 p. \$10.25 (US).



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