
Diseases of Fruit Crops. *Harry Warren Anderson*, Ed. McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., New York. First Edition. 1956. vii+501 pp. \$8.50.

The author, with his experience in research, teaching, and application in the field of fruit diseases, has adequately fulfilled the need for a book on this subject. The book is well organized and generally up to date. The introduction includes a general discussion on losses due to fruit diseases, causal agents, symptoms, and control. Many individual diseases are covered in the remaining 12 chapters, including diseases of pome and stone fruits, brambles, grapes, strawberries, gooseberries, currants, cranberries, and blueberries. Good illustrations of symptoms are used. The book is invaluable as a text in a course in fruit diseases; it is useful as a reference in many other courses, valuable in research in plant pathology and horticulture, and a good reference for orchardists.

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Vertebrate Embryology. *Robert S. McEwen*. Henry Holt & Co., New York. Fourth Edition. 1957. xiii+701 pp. \$6.50.

College instructors throughout the country engaged in the training of pre-professional studies in medicine and allied fields will be pleased to learn of the recently published fourth edition of Professor Robert S. McEwen's "Vertebrate Embryology," long regarded as a standard textbook in the field. The new edition takes advantage of modern printing and binding skills in producing an attractive volume. Furthermore, while this thoroughly tested book retains its fundamental characteristics, it has been brought up to date by incorporating principles of developmental mechanics and the more firmly established results of experimental embryology as developed in recent years.

This new edition, with its modern look, should ensure McEwen's book's continued use and the place of high regard which it has enjoyed since its first publication more than three decades ago.

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