
German for the Scientist

The author of this dictionary, through his association with students who were acquiring a reading knowledge of German, and with research workers who were attempting to put such knowledge to practical use, has realized that modern scientific research presents complicated interdepartmental problems. Hence any scientist needs a dictionary covering not only his own special field but many related fields as well. Dr. De Vries has attempted to prepare such a German-English science dictionary. In compiling it, he had the able assistance of many outstanding men of the science faculty of the Iowa State College. The result is "the first dictionary of its kind." It appears to be well suited to its purpose, and should be a boon to the graduate student and the researcher alike. There are 48,000 entries.

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German-English Science Dictionary for Students in the Agricultural, Biological and Physical Sciences, by Louis De Vries. x+473 pp. New York, The McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1939. \$3.00.

Science Down the Ages

"Thought about the nature of the external world begins with magic, develops into religion, next reaches the level of philosophical speculation, and finally attains the scientific method." This passage from the early part of the book sets forth concisely the general plan of this history of science. From earliest times down to the present the thread of the development of science is traced. It is remarkable how much material has been packed into the short space of this essay, and it is gratifying to find that the style is delightfully readable. Student and layman alike will enjoy this account of the development of science and the methods of science.

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The March of Mind, by F. Sherwood Taylor. xiv+320 pp. New York, The Macmillan Co., 1939. \$3.00.