

quite impossible at the time, and no real evidence is offered here that they can do harm in these situations.

The main value of this book to the English reader will be as a reference guide to the literature on the prospects of benefit from steroid therapy in the more ambiguous situations. But he will frequently have to refer to the many sources quoted to assess for himself the validity of the data offered in support of an opinion. Not everyone has the time to do this.

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Fireside Motoring

Man and Motor Cars. An Ergonomic Study. By Stephen Black. (Pp. 373; illustrated. 63s.) London: Secker & Warburg. 1966.

This book covers a topical subject. The subtitle—"An Ergonomic Study"—and the dust-jacket description suggest a work of scholar-

ship. It is claimed that this work is of value to workers in the many disciplines studying the problems of the impact of the motor vehicle on our society.

The author is to be congratulated for his courage in trying to cover a subject in which it is difficult to avoid confusing opinion with fact. Unfortunately he has not quite succeeded. The text is liberally garnished with snippets from such diverse subjects as biochemistry, cellular structure, palaeontology, an explanation of the poor translation of Pavlov's original Russian text, the research workers' prayer—and is finally crowned with an explanation of how a research worker should research. The text contains too much irrelevant material for a serious study book. A very poor bibliography and equally disappointing index (it is a pity that a member of the Society of Indexers did not advise on this matter) limit the value of this book to workers in this field.

But it is these very disadvantages that make this a good fireside book for the motoring

enthusiast. It is written in a good pedagogic style, and in most chapters there is a flow of the pen that will fascinate the lay reader. After a history of the motor vehicle the reader receives a grounding in ergonomics, the biological study of design, and its companion subject cybernetics, before entering the world of the conscious and unconscious mind. Many of the author's investigations were made by using subjects in deep-trance hypnosis. The subjects spoke about the motor vehicle in general, and then about various details of its operation. The main components of the vehicle are also explored.

Students of the subject would not necessarily support a number of the statements and conclusions made in this book. While there is nothing new in the content, apart from the author's own thoughts and investigations, the author has produced an interesting book for the general reader, though at rather a high selling price.

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Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received.

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