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Abstract : This book is not what I expected when I first saw the title. In part it is a textbook, even with examples for the zealous student to test his own progress. In part it is a synthesis of historical findings, so that in perspective they make sense. In part at the end it becomes almost the impassioned plea for wisdom in mankind. The title somehow seems to require. It is in 6 parts, 19 chapters, and has 28 appendices which occupy 58 out of the total of 401 pages of text. To dispose of the appendices, the first ten and the twenty-fifth are statistical, the last named " The twelve con

biostatistics " which should be framed and hung in front of a number of people. A paper is not complete without some "statistical analysis ". The rest, up to Chapter 11, deals with physiological or physical. Number 11 deals with radioactivity of ^{40}K in the human body, number 12 with Warburg's formula for thickness of tissue slices in microrespiration, and others with catabolism of fat and carbohydrate, energy equivalents, caloric metabolism, metabolic body size as $W^{0.75}$ and the osmotic work of the human kidney. The appendix gives practice problems and answers. An extraordinarily useful assemblage of facts and formulae for anyone doing sums in energy metabolism.

The true text of the book is a clear exposition of the laws governing energy metabolism. The parts deal, in sequence, with the evolution of bioenergetics, total starvation, the physical aspect of metabolism, the metabolism of the starving animal, food and population. The last two parts are, without doubt, the most interesting to the physiologist probably Chapter 15 on the Calorigenic Effect of Food, with two chapters " Energy requirement a major source of confusion ", and " The trend toward overpopulation " statements of observed results " will be of special use; and to those concerned with applying science to animal production Chapter 18, on the Energetic Efficiency of Animal Production. Both physiologist and animal husbandman should have the book. There is no other that puts so much useful information into so small and compact a bulk.

Throughout the book applications of the principles to the energy metabolism are introduced; Part 6 is concerned with the possible future of food supplies for the world's population which begins: " Regarding life as a combustion process enables us to speculate on a possible limitation of human population by lack of fuel for the combustion. The speculation is based on estimates of solar energy. Kleiber accepts the fact that four fifths of the world's population do not get enough to eat, but does not believe that we can produce enough food for the present population and could produce something like that amount. But, " There is more profit in the manufacture of atom bombs than in the construction of foreign bases for missiles than in the feeding of hungry people. Why do people starve today." A part truth which raises the question, was there a time in which a substantial part of the human population did not go hungry? -I. Le

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