

# Book review



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ard Wagner's "Ring of the Niebelung," a beautiful book at \$39.95.

For those who are more interested in the cerebral side of culture, New York Times critic John Canady has written "What is Art?" a "superlative study of art criticism," according to Winkelman. The book is \$30.

"Literary San Francisco," by Lawrence Ferlinghetti and Nancy Peters is a short course, at \$15.95, in the pictorial history of the artists who made famous the City of Lights.

**STOCKING STUFFERS** — Where would we be without them?

John Train, a writer for Forbes whose serious side produced "The Money Masters," a study in financial investing for \$11.95, also gets down to earth in a collection of little books, each at \$5.95, about real-life stuff, titled, appropriately enough, "Remarkable Names of Real People" and "True Remarkable Occurrences."

Nicole Hollander's feminist cartoonery "I'm in Training to be Tall and Blonde"

could be a best, cheap bet at \$3.95 for a feminist friend. For the not-so-literary who like to keep up, Maurice Sagoff's "Shrinklets" is a \$3.95 study of 75 of the world's towering classics cut down to size.

**BUSINESS BOOKS** may be the bonanza of the 1980s for business writers. "Everybody's Business," by Milton Moskowitz, a writer for the Washington Post, is, at \$9.95, a poor man's Standard & Poor's — an almanac of businesses and what they own.

This book points out such "triumphs of corporate alchemy" as Cheeseborough Pond's Inc., which manufactures Health-Tex clothes, Wind Song perfume, Ragu spaghetti sauce, Bass shoes and Vaseline.

William Nickerson has revised his earlier real estate study to update his sales in "How I Turned \$1,000 into Five Million in Real Estate," a \$14.95 bonus for the land entrepreneur, while popular author Venita VanCaspel has another new one, "Money Dynamics in the 1980s."

For anyone who got bit by the "Shogun" bug, Viking Press in cooperation with the Metropolitan Museum of Art is bringing out "The Tale of the Shining Princess," a collection of Japanese fairy tales, priced at \$10.95.

In the how-to corner along the same lines is "The Tea Ceremony" by Seno Tanaka for \$7.95. The book includes history as well as step-by-step instruction of Chan-no-yu, the ancient tea ceremony.

Gourmet fans will find the ultimate

chocolate book in Maida Heatter's "Great Chocolate Desserts." The \$15 cookbook is the third in Ms. Heatter's series of "Great" books. Elizabeth David's long-awaited "English Bread and Yeast Cookery," was just published in the U.S. and may be a serious rival to James Beard's "Beard on Bread."

**FOR FICTION** fans, gift-giving may be difficult unless the giver is well acquainted with the reader's tastes and library. But perseverance pays off here. And publishers love to bring out their big guns for the holidays.

James Michener's long-awaited "The Covenant," a tale set in South Africa, is one that Random House probably expects to sell well. The hard-bound copy is \$15.95, but you'll probably have to wait at least a year for the paperback.

For the mystery lover, Ngaio Marsh has come up with another adventure for that dazzling Scotland Yard Superintendent, Roderick Alleyn in "Photo Finish." Just published at \$10.95, it's a sure winner for the giver who may be stumped by a genuine mystery nut.

Looking for a sure bet for '60s dropouts? Tom Robbins, author of "Even Cowgirls Get the Blues," doesn't find a lot of capitalists among his fans, which may be the reason he released his new book, "Still Life with Woodpecker," in both paperback and hardbound at the same time. Robbins' heroine, a red-headed princess, and her carrot-topped cavalier already have shot to the top spot on one best-seller list.

Winkelman's fiction favorites include "The Fifth Horseman" by Larry Collins and Dominique LaPierre, and "The Clan of the Cave Bear," by Jean M. Auel. The latter is a novel about a prehistoric group of people who are in a clan of the cave bear, but that summary doesn't do this book justice, says Winkelman, who gave it an "excellent" rating.

**BIOGRAPHIES**, which come a little closer to reality, include the just-published, second-part autobiography of the late William O. Douglas, "The Court Years: 1939-1975," concentrates on his impressions of fellow Supreme Court justices.

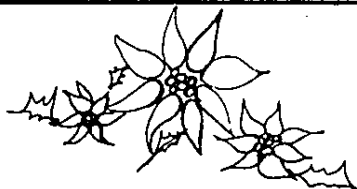
For snoops, as well as those who prefer pictures to words, "Private Photographs" at \$9.95 is a study in photos of such celebrities as Woody Allen shopping in a hat and indiscreet snapshots of Jack Nicholson and Romy Schneider in various stages of undress. "Fifty Famous Faces in Transition," at \$7.95, may be an even more undiplomatic photographic account of celebrities with more than a few years under their belts.

If you're really stumped by a hard-to-crack book nut, try "Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain." This little gem is a perfect choice for those analytic friends who ignore the visual. It's also a great idea for those with an artistic bent who can't break through to their creative juices.

Still stuck? Get out and browse through a bookstore. It beats fighting the crowds and you have a chance to flesh out your own library in the bargain.

## This Christmas... GIVE A Gift for the Home

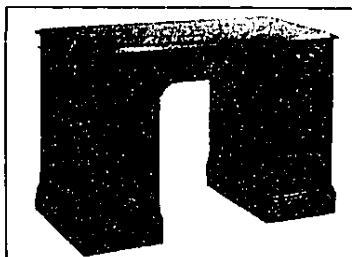
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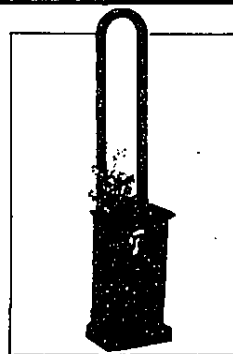
This Cherry Grandfather clock and every floor clock in our clock gallery now priced at 25% off regular price for one week only.



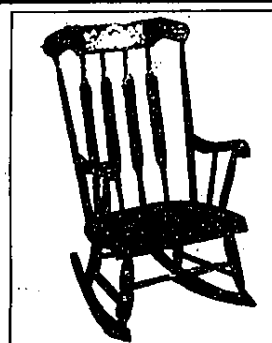
Attractive brass wall lamp with an off white pleated shade. Reg. \$9.50. Take with \$89.



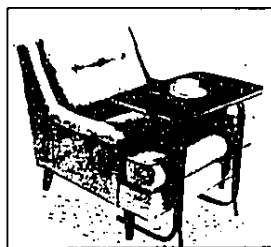
A quality Kneehole Desk, beautifully finished in a medium cherry color. 44" X 22". Reg. \$389. Sale \$289.



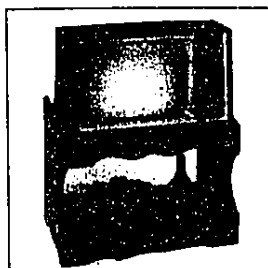
Miniature curio with an attached mirror in fruitwood finish. Reg. \$257. Take with \$179.



Beautiful rocker in dark pine finish - decorated as shown. Reg. \$119. Take with \$89.



Pullup table fits over your lap - under the chair. 15" X 23 1/2" Walnut laminated top, heat and stain resistant. Special - Take with \$39.



Pine T.V. Stand in light or dark finish. Will hold most 19" color portables. Reg. \$89. Take with \$59.



Drop lid desk in lustrous cherry. Locks on all drawers, automatic slides. Reg. \$477. Sale \$349.



Beautiful solid cherry miniature blockfront chest from Pennsylvania House. In stock in Collectors finish. 26" W X 15" D X 23" H. Reg. \$389. Sale \$309.

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