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The authors of this monograph attempt to present a hypothesis concerning the etiology, pathogenesis, and therapy of one of the so-called psychoneuroses. The authors' purpose in writing about anxiety is threefold: to propagate their ideas, to have psychiatry adopt "the critical evaluations with which the rest of medicine disciplines itself," and to offer a "theory and a psychotherapy to be subjected to that testing." It is difficult for this reviewer to see what the authors have set out to do, and why. Some of the chapters constitute repetitious material, particularly the one on psychotherapy. The chapter on case reviews appears to be the best, the chapter on "interpersonal relations" is the least integrated in this monograph. Anyone interested in the syndromes of anxiety tensions can consult existing texts in psychiatry and psychology.

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AGGRESSION. By *John Paul Scott*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1958, xi + 149, \$3.75.

The author believes that aggression can be studied more clearly and objectively in other than human species, but that "the results give many

clues to the basic causes of human fighting." It is his opinion that the causes and control of aggression are the center of a lively research field for zoologists, physiologists, comparative psychologists, and comparative sociologists. The purpose of this book then is to take the important results from current animal research "and relate or contrast them with the facts of human behavior."

The author has found several aspects of aggression: psychological causes, maladaptive behavior, physiological causes, hereditary factors, and ecological and social causes. He feels that ultimately (and presently) some of the problems cannot be solved, such as altering the cultural methods for the control of aggression, or the warfare between human societies. On the other hand, he is hopeful that "knowledge still has a chance," as long as "destruction has not yet arrived."

This little monograph is filled with a wealth of research, information, and insight. It would seem to me that the book can be read profitably by criminologists, to whom aggression as a symptom of daily life is their "cup of tea."

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