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Books classified as biography in the school media collection for grade levels primary through senior high school are included in this advisory list. Selections were made from books which publishers submitted for evaluation; only those which were favorably reviewed by educators are listed. An unannotated list of books receiving favorable notices in the indicated reviewing sources is attached. Each entry level includes citation, price if available, grade level, and annotation. For additional materials, see the 1977 Advisory List. (Author/JEG)

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BIOGRAPHY

This bibliography includes instructional media appropriate to the Biography program in the schools. The items are listed by type of media. The order of the listing is as follows:

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| activity cards | filmstrips (silent) | programmed materials |
| art prints | filmstrips (sound) | puzzles |
| books | games | realia |
| books (for teacher use) | globes | recordings (cassette tapes) |
| books (reference) | kits | recordings (disc) |
| books (supplementary texts) | manipulative devices | recordings (reel-to-reel tapes) |
| books with recordings | maps | reprints |
| calendars | measuring tapes | shortstrips |
| charts | microforms | slide sets (2"x2") |
| dictionaries | mini-units | slide sets (sound) |
| duplicating masters | models | study prints |
| film loops (silent) | periodicals | transparencies |
| film loops (sound) | pictures | videotapes |
| films (16mm) | posters | workbooks |

The absence from this list of a given type of media indicates that no media of that type were reviewed or that none were deemed worthy of being called to the attention of schools. The name of a school administrative unit appearing after an annotation indicates that educators in that school system reviewed the item annotated and submitted the information for inclusion on the ADVISORY LISTS. Occasionally, such items may not appear on display at the Materials Review and Evaluation Center in Raleigh. Educators should bear in mind that materials included on this list were selected from those which publishers chose to submit for evaluation and may assume that materials available for purchase not appearing on the list either were not submitted for evaluation or received unfavorable reviews. Information about negative reviews, which do not appear on this bibliography, can be obtained by writing or calling the Materials Review and Evaluation Center. At the end of this bibliography may be found an unannotated list of books which have had favorable reviews in reliable reviewing sources.

In some cases prices were not available. Prices shown are those quoted by publishers and producers. Prices quoted do not include postage and are subject to change.

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PLEASE DO NOT ORDER ITEMS ON THIS LIST FROM THE MATERIALS REVIEW AND EVALUATION CENTER OR FROM THE DIVISION OF TEXTBOOKS. Sources of the items are listed on the DIRECTORY OF PUBLISHERS AND PRODUCERS FOR THE FALL 1978 ADVISORY LISTS OF INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA, a separate publication accompanying the complete set of ADVISORY LISTS OF INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA. An abbreviated or code name for the publisher/producer appearing in the bibliographic entry on this list appears in the DIRECTORY, where the complete address follows the code name.

Schools may use this list to aid in selection of materials but are in no way restricted to purchasing items on this list.

BOOKS

Angelou, Maya. SINGIN' AND SWINGIN' AND GETTIN' MERRY LIKE CHRISTMAS.
Random, 1976. 269 p. \$8.95. Also available from Bantam for \$1.95 paper.
Grades 10-12

Described on September 1977 Biography Advisory List

Armstrong, Robert. THE CENTERS. Childrens, 1977. 47 p. \$5.95. Grades 4-7
Profiles of five outstanding centers, including Bob McAdoo who played for UNC,
Kareem Jabbar, and Bill Walton; generally very laudatory; covers strengths and
weaknesses, teammates' attitudes, off-court personalities; full-page color
photos

Batson, Larry. AN INTERVIEW WITH ALAN PAGE. Childrens, 1977. 31 p. \$5.95.
Grades 4-8

A football superstar with principles and a philosophy for living which serves
as a positive example; interview format makes for easy, high-interest reading,
engaging short attention spans; inspirational quotations from Alan Page
highlighted on frequent poster-like pages; color photographs; a touch
didactic but worthwhile

Belsky, Dick. TOM SEAVER: BASEBALL'S SUPERSTAR. Walck, 1977. 54 p. \$5.95.
Grades 4-12

Up-to-date account of one of baseball's great pitchers whose accomplishments
include being three-time winner of Cy Young Award; narrative rapidly traces
superstar "Tom Terrific" from college days to major league career with then
unpopular New York Mets, whom Seaver propelled to world fame before his
unexpected 1977 transfer to Cincinnati Reds; black-and-white photos; easy
reading; high-interest/low-vocabulary content for deficient senior high readers

Boardman, Fon W., Jr. TYRANTS AND CONQUERORS. Walck, 1977. 183 p. \$8.95.
Grades 8-12

Profiles of Shih Huang-ti, Nero, Attila, Jenghiz Khan, Tamerlane, Muhammad II,
Ivan the Terrible, and Adolph Hitler in interesting approach to history of
last 2200 years through extreme but notable characters; clear, thorough
exposition, not enlivened by much anecdotal material; stronger on presentation
of facts than interpretation; concludes that none of these men used their power
for people's "cultural and spiritual good"; concise but not sensational on
violent atrocities; good reference for older students; bibliography; index

Bortstein, Larry. AFTER OLYMPIC GLORY: THE LIVES OF TEN OUTSTANDING MEDALISTS.
Warne, 1978. 185 p. \$7.95. Grades 7-12

Inspirational reading in capsule biographies of 10 very different Olympic Gold
Medalists which stresses their varied backgrounds, values, goals; each winner
set a different value on the Olympic experience, some promoting amateur athletics
or working as coaches and administrators, others abandoning athletics without
looking back; excellent cross section of men, women, blacks, athletes-turned-
professionals--Dr. Tenley Albright (medical doctor), Dr. Benjamin Spock
(pediatrician), Bill Bradley (U.S. Senator)--as well as Muhammad Ali, Nell
Jackson, Donna DeVarona, others who have maintained close ties with sports
world; photos

Bowring, Mary. THE ANIMALS COME FIRST. Simon, 1976. 219 p. \$8.95. Grades 7-12

Although not of the thoughtful, beguiling quality of Herriot's ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL, this refreshing and easy biography of a veterinary surgeon and his family in Great Britain will entertain animal lovers; written by his wife who reveals much about human beings as well as animals in readable anecdotes

Bronfield, Jerry. ROBERTO CLEMENTE; PRIDE OF THE PIRATES. Garrard, 1976. 96 p. \$3.58. Grades 6-12

Easy-reading biography of Roberto Clemente, Puerto Rican standout for Pittsburgh Pirates baseball team; begins with dramatic narrative of Clemente's death while on mercy flight to earthquake victims in Nicaragua; discusses childhood in San Juan and focuses on major league career, recalling Clemente's professional skills; accomplishments; profusely illustrated with drawings and realistic black-and-white photographs; useful to motivate reluctant readers; highly appealing to sports fans

Brough, James. MARGARET: THE TRAGIC PRINCESS. Putnam, 1978. 323 p. \$9.95. Grades 8-12

Sympathetic biography of Britain's Princess Margaret which offers physiological explanations for controversial behavior of the ex-wife of Lord Snowden so frequently criticized for inattention to her duties and scorn for public opinion; plagued by ill health, star-crossed romances, and (it is hinted) the congenital disease of porphyria, Margaret emerges a sad, haunting figure; for historians and Anglophiles; black-and-white photos

Brown, Helene. YESTERDAY'S CHILD. NAL, 1976. 230 p. \$1.75 paper. Grades 10-12

Intimate, poignant exposé of the personal feelings of a mother whose beautiful daughter is deaf, mentally retarded, afflicted with cerebral palsy, how she coped and at times failed to cope with the totality of the situation; useful in building sensitivity towards and understanding of special human needs

Burchard, Marshall. SPORTS HERO: FRAN TARKENTON. Putnam, 1977. 95 p. \$4.99. Grades 3-5

Good general overview of Fran Tarkenton, star quarterback; omits his business success and family life; also misses the touch of Tarkenton's own writings found in other biographies, but fine for above-average middle graders avid for information on the popular Minnesota Viking; very large print; filled with black-and-white action photographs

Butler, Hal. BASEBALL'S MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS. Messner, 1977. 96 p. \$7.29. Grades 4-9

Short biographies of five recent players who won baseball's Most Valuable Player Award: Steve Garvey, Jeff Burroughs, Fred Lynn, Joe Morgan, Thurman Munson; black-and-white photos; good print; index; high motivational value

Cahn, William and Rhoda. THE GREAT AMERICAN COMEDY SCENE. Messner, 1978.
187 p. \$7.79. Grades 9-12

Historical survey of comedy and comedians from George Washington's day to the present, including social comedy criticising the times, "white face" and "black face" comedy, musical comedy, the Follies, first stand-up comics (W. C. Fields, Will Rogers), early silent movies (Keystone Cops, Charlie Chaplin), the Marx brothers, radio comedy, television sit-coms, comedians, advent of comediennes (Carol Burnett, Lily Tomlin); profusely illustrated; fun reading and a good history of American comedy

Carter, Hugh, and Frances Spatz Leighton. COUSIN BEEDIE AND COUSIN HOT: MY LIFE WITH THE CARTER FAMILY OF PLAINS, GEORGIA. Prentice, 1978. 366 p.
\$12.50. Grades 8-12

Gossipy, folksy saga of President Carter (Cousin "Hot") and the Carter clan, as told by Hugh Carter, Sr., (Cousin "Beedie") to Frances Spatz Leighton; chats about worm farming, Amy's lemonade stand, Lillian and Rosalynn's conflict, lots more; illustrated with three sections of family album-type photographs; indexed; purchase only if interest justifies

Clark, Ronald W. EDISON: THE MAN WHO MADE THE FUTURE. Putnam, 1977. 256 p.
\$12.95. Grades 11-12

Scholarly work backed by extensive research about the inventor who averaged one patent every two weeks of his adult life; inevitable legends and Edison's willingness to embroider on them have created misunderstanding of this great scientist's life; a carefully drawn biography which devotes much space to how Edison overcame rheostat problems in developing duplex telegraphy; interesting old photographs; bibliography, index; for the serious student

Collier, James Lincoln. THE GREAT JAZZ ARTISTS. Four Winds, 1977. 186 p.
\$7.95. Grades 6-12

Fills a need in modern music section of school collections, especially the first chapter's interesting overview of effects of African music on American jazz; primary purpose is to introduce various jazz musicians to readers and describe their influences on development of jazz; reliable content on both musicians and their music in authentic biographies which do not glorify the musicians--in fact, some are painfully honest; each chapter followed by list of books and records available for further study; too bad some of the great jazz artists of today (Al Hirt, Pete Fountain) are not included; nice illustrations (Charlotte-Mecklenburg)

Collins, David R. CHARLES LINDBERGH: HERO PILOT. Garrard, 1978. 80 p.
\$3.96. Grades 2-3

Easy biography of Charles Lindbergh from Garrard's DISCOVERY series; covers Lindbergh's life and accomplishments from early childhood to adulthood and death of cancer; does not glorify Lindbergh, but rather shows his flaws and mistakes objectively without overemphasis (e.g., his misconceived view of Germany and World War II); solid introduction to the "Lone Eagle" for newly independent readers; green/white/black drawings

Collins, David R. FOOTBALL RUNNING BACKS: THREE GROUND GAINERS. Garrard, 1976.
96 p. \$3.58. Grades 6-12

Chronicles the lives of three leading Chicago Bears players: galloping
Red Grange, power machine Bronko Nagurski, and quick moving Gale Sayers;
vintage photos from 1920's; similar to other football stories but may appeal
to weaker readers

Collins, Michael. FLYING TO THE MOON AND OTHER STRANGE PLACES. Farrar, 1976.
159 p. \$6.95. Grades 7-12

Described on September 1977 Science Advisory List

de Treviño, Elizabeth Borton. ~~THE HEARTHSTONE OF MY HEART~~. Doubleday, 1977.
225 p. \$7.95. Grades 7-12

Story from an opened locket in nostalgic memoir of growing up at turn of the
century--Mama and Papa, velvet chairs, buttonhole embroidery, and beaux;
loving recollection that generally refrains from becoming maudlin; the
author becomes a reporter, recalling interviews with well-known dancers,
actors, musicians; nice vignette of the period; better history than literature

Devaney, John. THE PICTURE STORY OF TERRY BRADSHAW. Messner, 1977. 64 p.
\$6.64. Grades 3-7

Lavishly illustrated with black-and-white photos, this scant biography of
Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback, Terry Bradshaw, will motivate reluctant and
deficient older readers who are avid football and sports fans; for biography
collections that need more sports books; not a first-purchase choice--more
pictures than information on Bradshaw

Devaney, John. TINY! THE STORY OF NATE ARCHIBALD. Putnam, 1977. 159 p.
\$5.29. Grades 5-12

Nate "Tiny" Archibald, undersized basketball player from South Bronx, stays
in school, finally reaches the top in professional basketball thanks to
encouragement of athletic director at P. S. 18 Community Center; Tiny never
forgets, in turn works with kids in New York and Kansas City in playground
activities, giving money, promoting annual "Tiny" Archibald Basketball
Tournament each summer in South Bronx; good storytelling; realistic views of
black ghetto life; high-interest/low-vocabulary material

Dolan, Edward F., Jr., and Richard B. Lyttle. ARCHIE GRIFFIN. Doubleday, 1977.
95 p. \$5.95. Grades 7-12

True story of a quiet, religious boy who waddled when he ran, lifted barbells
made from bottles and broomsticks, attended Ohio State and became "the greatest
ground gainer in NCAA football"; high-interest/low-vocabulary content on the
only two-time winner of Heisman Trophy; profusely illustrated with photos;
one chapter about a game against Carolina

Dolan, Edward F., Jr., and Richard B. Lyttle. BOBBY CLARKE. Doubleday, 1977.
95 p. \$5.95. Grades 5-12

In view of hockey's growing popularity, Dolan and Lyttle's biography of Canadian-born Bobby Clarke is a welcome addition to school collections; good bibliotherapy for diabetics--Clarke is diabetic--and a positive example for athletes and teen-aged boys; action-filled black-and-white photos; simple, clear sentence structure; motivational; high-interest/low-vocabulary title for secondary readers

Dolan, Edward F., Jr., and Richard B. Lyttle. FRED LYNN: THE HERO FROM BOSTON. Doubleday, 1978. 87 p. \$5.95. Grades 6-12

Fred Michael Lynn, centerfielder with Boston Red Sox, was first man in baseball to receive two coveted honors in same season--Rookie of the Year and Most Valuable American League Player; simple but interesting biography of Lynn in action-packed text; widely spaced print; appealing to reluctant readers; black-and-white photographs

Dolan, Edward F., Jr., and Richard B. Lyttle. JANET GUTHRIE: FIRST WOMAN DRIVER AT INDIANAPOLIS. Doubleday, 1978. 80 p. \$5.95. Grades 6-12

High-interest reading on first major female driver of championship racing, versatile Janet Guthrie; well written, very detailed, plenty of action; attractive cover, solid binding; many up-to-date photographs; excellent supplementary and enrichment title; part of a Doubleday series devoted to sports and sports figures

Dolan, Edward F., Jr., and Richard B. Lyttle. MARTINA NAVRATILOVA. Doubleday, 1977.
81 p. \$5.95. Grades 6-12

Fast-reading account of young tennis star who defected from Czechoslovakia to avoid state control of her talent; describes Martina's tennis history, personal life, love of blueberry pancakes and flashy clothes, struggles with weight, and hot temper; black-and-white action photos; peripherally provides history of women's tennis in 1970's; short sentences, good margins; high-interest/low-vocabulary content for secondary students

Dolan, Edward F., Jr., and Richard B. Lyttle. SCOTT MAY: BASKETBALL CHAMPION. Doubleday, 1978. 85 p. \$5.95. Grades 6-12

Scans the life of Scott May, all-round athlete and basketball champion of Chicago Bulls, from his "Sandusky" years to the present; accurate statistics and accounts of Indiana Hoosiers' victories and defeats with big league teams such as UCLA, Kentucky Wildcats, Marquette, Notre Dame, N. C. State University; action-packed, realistic photography; a thriller for sports fans and bait for slow secondary readers

Dunn, Paul H. THE OSMONDS: THE OFFICIAL STORY OF THE OSMOND FAMILY. Doubleday, 1975. 246 p. \$6.95. Grades 8-12

Close-up look at virtues and virtuosity of each Osmond: electronics expert Donny, soldier Alan, pilot Wayne, sportsman Merrill, athlete Jay, sister Marie, and youngest Jimmy; describes influences of religion, strong family bonds; fans will love this, even though it's a few years out of date; completely flattering view of family often makes members appear too good to be true; filled with candid black-and-white photos (Alexander County)

Edwards, Anne. P. T. BARNUM. Putnam, 1977. 63 p. \$4.29. Grades 2-4

Excellent black-and-white illustrations by Marilyn Hafner are the best part of account about Tom Thumb, Jumbo, the 161-year-old woman who claimed to be George Washington's nurse, and the beginnings of "The Greatest Show on Earth"; though text is a trifle dry, it's a good first biography for independent beginning readers

Edwards, Audrey, with Gary Wohl. MUHAMMAD ALI: THE PEOPLE'S CHAMP. Little, 1977. 181 p. \$7.95. Grades 8-12

Biography of Cassius Clay, self-declared Black Muslim who christened himself Muhammad Ali--"beautiful" and "the greatest"--writer and declaimer (at every opportune moment) of his own doggerel verse, controversial but never to be underestimated; those who write about him vary in their adulation or lack of it--Edwards and Wohl idolize him; several chapters introduced with Ali's "verse"; black-and-white photos

Emberlin, Diane. CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN: SCIENCE. Dillon, 1977. 158 p. \$6.95. Grades 5-12

Highlights lives and work of Annie Cannon (astronomer), Lillian Moller Gilbreth (engineer and efficiency expert), Margaret Mead (anthropologist), Rachel Carson (marine biologist), Ruth Patrick (ecologist), Eugenia Clark (ichthyologist); expository style; interesting anecdotes that will appeal to children; visually dull; short sketches of other women scientists in concluding chapter (Note: "ichthyologist" is spelled incorrectly each time it appears)

Fritz, Jean. CAN'T YOU MAKE THEM BEHAVE, KING GEORGE? Coward, 1977. 47 p. \$6.95. Grades 3-5

Another delightful biography by Fritz, this one about George III, who had chicken pox shortly before his wedding, loved sauerkraut, hated profanity, sired 15 children, expected everyone to be on time to the minute for dinner; besides interesting personal details, a good capsule history of American Revolution; funny, purple-hued pictures by Tomie de Paola; excellent, painless history

Gerson, Noel B. SAD SWASHBUCKLER: THE LIFE OF WILLIAM WALKER. Nelson, 1976. 160 p. \$6.95. Grades 10-12

Straightforward account of an obscure 19th-century doctor-lawyer-newspaperman, William Walker, remembered chiefly for his dubious exploits as a glory-seeking soldier of fortune in Central America during pre-Civil War period; when his romantic, illegal deeds led to a sad fate, Walker met it with great dignity; moving and adventuresome text; timely, as William Walker and his followers sparked hatred of Central Americans for North Americans that persists to present day; well researched; selected bibliography; comprehensive index; useful for individual or in-depth study of Central America; extremely readable

Goodsell, Jane. DANIEL INOUE. Crowell, 1977. 34 p. \$6.95. Grades 2-5

Easy biography of first Japanese-American Congressman, the Hawaii he grew up in, and racial prejudice; informative on Hawaiian history and role of Japanese Americans in World War II; very positive view of Inouye, widely known as member of Watergate Committee; relates how he succeeded despite poverty, loss of an arm, problems of minority race; good charcoal drawings by Haru Wells

Greenbaum, Louise G. CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN: POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT. Dillon, 1977. 142 p. \$6.95. Grades 6-12

Collective biography describing courage and accomplishments of first woman in House of Representatives Jeannette Rankin, Senator Margaret Chase Smith, versatile and steely Clare Boothe Luce, ERA sponsor Martha W. Griffiths, Connecticut Governor Ella Grasso, and Texas Democrat Barbara Jordan; explores family background, important issues, turning points; includes paragraph sketches of Bella Abzug, Lila Cockrell, Midge Costanza, Helen Gahagan Douglas, several others; although easy reading with quite simple sentence structure and vocabulary, the text is impressively detailed with revealing anecdotes; black-and-white photos

Gutman, Bill. DUKE: THE MUSICAL LIFE OF DUKE ELLINGTON. Random, 1977. 184 p. \$6.95. Grades 6-12

About the high school boy and soda jerk who wrote "Soda Fountain Rag" and the musician he became; concise, readable jazz history enlivened by interesting anecdotes, dialogue; good photo collection of jazz musicians; index; list of records

Hall, Donald. REMEMBERING POETS: REMINISCENCES AND OPINIONS. Harper, 1977. 253 p. \$ _____. Grades 11-12

Poet and writer, Donald Hall, reminisces about his youthful acquaintanceships with Dylan Thomas, Robert Frost, T. S. Eliot, and Ezra Pound in warm, informal word portraits; as editor of Harvard's undergraduate literary magazine, the ADVOCATE, Hall met and observed both Thomas and Eliot, who liked him and, as Frost had done earlier when Hall met him at Breadloaf, encouraged Hall's writing talent, dropped their poses for him, and in the case of Frost, Thomas, and later Pound talked freely and unguardedly to him; vivid, sensitive writing (on Dylan Thomas' continual money problems: "Worry about money worked its way through his speech like a thread in tweed"); Hall's insight into each man's vanity and vulnerability is shrewd, sharp, yet tempered with respect for the man's craft and fellow feeling for his artist's soul; superior resource for American literature classes and teachers; an absorbing reading experience--the kind that English teachers seize upon to show their students the human side of literary masters (Note: Book is not on display at Materials Review and Evaluation Center)

Hancock, Sibyl. BILL PICKETT: FIRST BLACK RODEO STAR. Harcourt, 1977. 61 p. \$1.95 paper, Grades 2-3

Although a rather dry narrative, this easy biography fills a gap in primary collections on black Americans, introducing young readers to a black cowboy, Bill Pickett, who worked in Texas, Mexico, and South America, became a rodeo star in Colonel Zack's "101 Wild West Show," and is credited with introducing the art of bulldogging a steer; expressive pen-and-ink drawings; large, clear print; good selection for newly independent readers

Hancock, Sibyl. THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Putnam, 1978. 61 p. \$4.49. Grades 2-3

Young readers will enjoy the childhood pursuits and fantasies of Theodore Roosevelt, his determined bout with asthma, careers as cowboy, Rough Rider, politician, family man, eventually 26th President of United States; lively text; excellent pen-and-ink drawings

Hano, Arnold. MUHAMMAD ALI: THE CHAMPION. Putnam, 1977. 127 p. \$5.29. Grades 7-12

Although not exactly a warts-and-all portrait, this thoughtful account of Muhammad Ali is much more objective than so many mindless paeans to Ali; insightful, compassionate, and respectful study of the "artist and con artist" who has given us "years of art, wit, style, and guile"; very engaging writing style by very warm and personally involved author who gets into the head of The Greatest; more of a personality study than a boxing story; not enough photos

Haskins, James. BARBARA JORDAN. Dial, 1977. 215 p. \$7.95. Grades 9-12

Barbara Jordan is far more interesting and compelling than this earnest, prosy biography ever allows, but the political history is all here of the amazing black woman from Texas who dignified the Watergate hearings and electrified the 1976 Democratic National Convention; although Jordan never quite comes to life, looming more as an imposing monument than a flesh-and-blood woman of the rarest intellect, presence, and eloquence, the book does provide excellent information on her career and achievements; more like a history text than a biography; a few photos; bibliography; index; solid, respectful contribution and an important title for black studies and minority collections in the high school

Havlicek, John. HONDO: CELTIC MAN IN MOTION, Prentice, 1977. 192 p. \$8.95. Grades 5-12

Havlicek discusses in chatty, informal fashion the influence of his parents and hometown on his career and personality; high points, low points, and humorous episodes are included, as well as interaction with other players and coaches; emphasizes his basketball life, his almost-career in professional football, games that he found particularly memorable; good-natured account, easy reading; black-and-white photos (ASU)

Henning, Doug. HOUDINI: HIS LEGEND AND HIS MAGIC. Quadrangle, 1977. 192 p.
\$14.95. Grades 8-12

Eye-catching format in lively photo-essay on life and legend of Harry Houdini; lavishly illustrated with photographs and clippings tracing Hungarian-born American from deliberately obscured days of his youth to international acclaim; much insight into Houdini's personal life, marriage, sentimental nature, fastidious moral code, carefully fabricated public image, friendships with Conan Doyle and Hollywood moguls; analyzes his 10 most famous illusions; down-to-earth, readable

Herriot, James. ALL THINGS WISE AND WONDERFUL. St. Martin's, 1977. 432 p.
\$10. Grades 7-12

Herriot's third book is in many ways his best, continuing his themes of rural life and work as an English veterinary surgeon first described in ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL; Herriot paints with words as surely as an artist does with a brush in anecdotal accounts of his veterinary career in farming country of Yorkshire, England; readers feel the wind, smell the flowers, and cherish the people of Yorkshire, delighting in Herriot's lilting prose and discerning love for his animals and their owners alike; excellent leisure-time reading

Hershkowitz, Leo. TWEED'S NEW YORK: ANOTHER LOOK. Anchor, 1978. 409 p.
\$6.95 paper. Grades 11-12

Life of William M. Tweed, notorious "Boss" Tweed, from birth on Cherry Street to death in jail; disputes the long-held vision of "Boss" Tweed as villain, "the personification of big city corruption," instead arguing that Tweed's power was based on democracy and the turn of the people from traditional leadership; excellent book to show students the creative role of the historian, the uses and methods of research, arguments among scholars, the changing face of the past; thoroughly documented; for student research and teacher use

Hoff, Syd. GENTLEMAN JIM AND THE GREAT JOHN L. Coward, 1977. 47 p. \$4.69.
Grades 1-2

Brief account based on actual encounter between two boxers in 1891; John L. Sullivan "spent less and less time training and more and more of his time eating and drinking" and lost to Jim Corbett, a scientific boxer in good shape; unusual reading for beginners, offering interesting facts about real people; sure to be enjoyed; the "clean living" message is not too heavy-handed; Hoff's typical cartoon-type pictures add much to the story (Caldwell County)

Hoobler, Dorothy and Thomas. PHOTOGRAPHING HISTORY: THE CAREER OF MATHEW BRADY. Putnam, 1977. 90 p. \$8.95. Grades 6-12

Well-done biography of great Civil War photographer, Mathew Brady, and his encounters with the famous who posed for his camera; extensive coverage of Brady's Civil War photographs gives due credit to his team of photographers who actually recorded some of the most famous photographs attributed to Brady (Brady himself seldom ventured away from Washington environs); Brady's sad end, marked by unrelieved financial woes is sympathetically detailed; excellent for junior and senior high school collections--Brady's photos of John Adams, Andrew Jackson, P. T. Barnum, other personages of early 19th century, as well as those of the war, will intrigue students

Horwood, Harold. BARTLETT: THE GREAT CANADIAN EXPLORER. Doubleday, 1977.
194 p. \$7.95. Grades 9-12

Absorbing adventures of forgotten Newfoundland seaman who commanded successful eight-month rescue of scientific expedition frozen in Arctic Ocean; examines earlier exploration which brought Peary within 150 miles of North Pole; includes photos by Bartlett made during expeditions; author carefully notes discrepancies among historic sources in order to provide accurate picture; fascinating

Hovey, Tamara. A MIND OF HER OWN: A LIFE OF THE WRITER GEORGE SAND.
Harper, 1977. 211 p. \$7.89. Grades 10-12

The life behind the disguise of a cigar-smoking woman hiding in man's name and man's clothes in account of George Sand's birth to a nobleman and a seamstress, convent schooling, rebellion against a brutal marriage, emergence as writer, radical politics, and loves and friendships with great artistic figures of the period; strong feminist appeal; relaxed style; fine study of Sand and world of French writing and politics in her time

Howard, Dorothy. DOROTHY'S WORLD: CHILDHOOD IN SABINE BOTTOM, 1902-1910.
Prentice, 1977. 298 p. \$10. Grades 5-12

More than biography, this book delineates social history and customs of rural East Texas at the turn of the century; describes what and how one child, Dorothy, saw and remembered the first eight years of her life; includes extensive catalog which lists and explains songs, food, clothes, farm activities of the period; many levels of information will delight both young and older readers; for reference in social studies and for fun reading about the "long ago" for all ages

Hutchins, Ross E. TRAILS TO NATURE'S MYSTERIES: THE LIFE OF A WORKING NATURALIST.
Dodd, 1977. 222 p. \$6.95. Grades 7-12

Described on September 1977 Science Advisory List

Irigaray, Louis, and Theodore Taylor. A SHEPHERD WATCHES, A SHEPHERD SINGS.
Doubleday, 1977. 300 p. \$8.95. Grades 10-12

Louis Irigaray's Basque ancestors came from Pyrenees to California's San Joaquin Valley to become shepherds in surrounding mountains; sensitively written by the shepherd and a longtime author, giving insight into Basque culture, recalling shepherds' thick socks, thick soups, trail breakfasts, loneliness, branding and shearing and doctoring of sheep; a lovely adjunct to Biblical literature, humanities courses, world cultures

Irving, David. THE TRAIL OF THE FOX. Dutton, 1977. 496 p. \$15. Grades 10-12

Excellent biography of Nazi Germany's premier general which reveals previously unavailable information, casting new light on the character of the Desert Fox and the history of the Third Reich; objective, well-balanced assessment that raises questions heretofore never considered; extremely readable; intensively researched; voluminous bibliography; black-and-white photos; a "must" for serious students of World War II

Jenner, Bruce, and Phillip Finch. DACATHLON CHALLENGE: BRUCE JENNER'S STORY. Prentice, 1977. 213 p. \$8.95. Grades 7-12

Recounts the discipline, sacrifice, courage, total dedication of the 1976 Olympic decathlon winner; Bruce Jenner, an amateur without funding, gave six years to winning the ten-events composite; first-person passages (in heavy black print) quote Jenner's feelings as recorded in his own journal; appendix gives incomplete list of world records of decathlons; numerous black-and-white photos; inspiring account of a great accomplishment

Johnston, Johanna. HARRIET AND THE RUNAWAY BOOK: THE STORY OF HARRIET BEECHER STOWE AND UNCLE TOM'S CABIN. Harper, 1977. 80 p. \$5.79. Grades 2-6

Described on September 1977 Reduction of Sex Bias Advisory List

Klein, Dave. ON THE WAY UP: WHAT IT'S LIKE IN THE MINOR LEAGUES. Messner, 1977. 125 p. \$6.64. Grades 7-12

One of the few accounts of life in the minor leagues chronicling careers of 10 who made it to the majors--Bud Harrelson, George Brett, Roy White, Sal Bando, Buddy Bell, Jerry Koosman, Bobby Grich, Ed Figueroa, George Scott, Jon Matlack; at least one black-and-white photo of each

Klobuchar, Jim, and Fran Tarkenton. TARKENTON. Harper, 1976. 274 p. \$8.95. Grades 8-12

Well-written biography exploring facets of Francis Tarkenton's personal life and his amazing quarterbacking career; special insights in alternating autobiographical chapters round out the character and personality of 1975 NFL Most Valuable Player; offers inside stories about Norm Van Brocklin's insensitivity and abrasiveness, about Jimmy the Greek's jewelry, about notable games and players--juicy anecdotes and thoughtful conclusions; provides game statistics from 1961-1975 and some quarterbacking instructions; for sports enthusiasts and football players; an impressive book with black-and-white photographs; indexed

Libby, Bill. FRED LYNN: YOUNG STAR. Putnam, 1977. 160 p. \$5.29. Grades 9-12

Appealing story of current hero, Fred Lynn, giving facts and figures of his rise to baseball's top honors in 1975 season; portrays a strong character who strives to measure up to his own standards of perfection; affords teachers an opportunity to reach young people who depend solely on approval of others to motivate them to achieve; insightful biography not usually found in books for this age group

Lieb, Fred. BASEBALL AS I HAVE KNOWN IT. Coward, 1977. 288 p. \$9.95. Grades 7-12

By an author who loved writing and baseball and saw his first professional game in 1904, this detailed history is salted with gossipy tidbits of the sport and its personalities; contributes to the social history of our nation; black-and-white photos; solid pages of small print make this readable only for top students

Lipman, David and Marilyn. JIM HART: UNDERRATED QUARTERBACK. Putnam, 1977. 127 p. \$5.29. Grades 5-12

Well-written, brief biography of a superstar quarterback who has reached the ranks of professional football; for the reluctant reader and the avid sports fan; illustrated with four black-and-white photos

Lisca, Peter. JOHN STEINBECK: NATURE AND MYTH. Described on Languages Advisory List

Mercer, Charles. JIMMY CARTER. Putnam, 1977. 63 p. \$4.29. Grades 2-4

Easy text and charcoal drawings tell story of Jimmy Carter from age six to inauguration in totally positive portrait; some drawings don't resemble Carter or his family; interesting anecdotes, though, make book worthwhile; for social studies supplemental reading and for beginning readers and older reluctant readers in elementary grades; from SEE AND READ series

Meyer, Edith Patterson. IN SEARCH OF PEACE: THE WINNERS OF THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE, 1901-1975. Abingdon, 1978. 208 p. \$7.95. Grades 9-12

Provides background on Alfred Nobel himself, inventor of dynamite and TNT who left the bulk of his estate for the establishment of five humanitarian awards, including the Nobel Peace Prize; brief sketches of 58 recipients between 1901 and 1975; well researched, organized, illustrated with pen-and-ink drawings; helpful for students doing research on Alfred Nobel or on individual winners

Morrison, Dorothy Nafus. LADIES WERE NOT EXPECTED: ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS. Atheneum, 1977. 146 p. \$6.95. Grades 5-8

A Western pioneer and a pioneer in women's movement, Abigail Duniway fought for women's suffrage in Oregon, wrote books, edited newspaper, raised children, cared for sick husband, ran a hat shop; her story told in narrative form, with quotations from her own writing, in competent, interesting history; in spite of good story material, book does not always meet standards of good writing for involving readers in character's life; yet, it is a good profile, valuable information, not dominated by anger or sentimentality; illustrated with old photographs; bibliography; index

Musick, Phil. THE TONY DORSETT STORY. Enslow, 1978. 128 p. \$5.95. Grades 7-12

Tony Dorsett had four brothers, all great athletes, but at 13 Tony didn't seem to want to work hard enough to be great; "T. D.'s" way up the ladder to football fame is told in detail with accompanying black-and-white photos; addendum; motivational reading for reluctant readers

Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds. HOW I CAME TO BE A WRITER. Atheneum, 1978. 133 p. \$6.95. Grades 5-8

This is the book for a child who wants to be a writer; beginning section on author's childhood with poems written at age nine is sappy, but may reassure the beginning writer; overall, provides good information on writing as a profession: reviews, rejections, working schedules, editors, getting yourself motivated, all the rest; pleasant narrative form; Naylor is author of WITCH WATER and other juvenile fiction

Neimark, Anne E. WITH THIS GIFT: THE STORY OF EDGAR CAYCE. Morrow, 1978.
192 p. \$6.43. Grades 7-12

Very readable biography of famous psychic, Edgar Cayce, who was able to put himself into a trance and diagnose illnesses and prescribe medication or treatment about which he knew nothing when conscious; though fictionalized and somewhat cursory, the book serves to introduce young readers to the famed clairvoyant; a larger-than-life portrait but an acceptable introduction; excellent print, wide margins, no photos

O'Connor, Dick. RICK BARRY: BASKETBALL ACE. Putnam, 1977. 125 p. \$5.29.
Grades 4-12

Cursory analysis of the Golden State Warriors' star forward--his style, attitudes toward the game, successes and failures; includes a few biographical facts; four photographs illustrate Barry in action; indexed; good motivational reading for reluctant readers who are avid sports fans

Olney, Ross R. AUTO RACING'S YOUNG LIONS. Putnam, 1977. 127 p. \$6.50.
Grades 5-12

Stories of seven racing young men and their race-driving fathers: Vukovich, Carter, Thompson, Bettenhausen, Parsons, Baker, and North Carolina's Lee and Richard Petty; adequate black-and-white photos; for racing fans and reluctant readers interested in racing

Patterson, Lillie. BENJAMIN BANNEKER: GENIUS OF EARLY AMERICA. Abingdon, 1978.
142 p. \$5.95. Grades 4-9

Grandson of an indentured English servant and an African prince sold into slavery, Benjamin Banneker grew up in an atmosphere of love, hard work, and learning; encouraged by his grandmother, Quaker friends, and the Ellicott family, he absorbed vast knowledge, becoming an accomplished musician, mathematician, surveyor, inventor (first American wooden clock), and writer (almanac); pen-and-ink drawings; inspirational reading for elementary and junior high school students; valuable for black studies collection

Phillips, Betty Lou. CHRIS EVERT: FIRST LADY OF TENNIS. Messner, 1977.
189 p. \$7.29. Grades 5-12

Lively, insightful tennis-family story--growing-up years, emphasis on discipline, parental coaching, romance with Jimmy Connors, tournaments and details about reactions, wins, losses, through 1977 Wimbledon triumph; indexed; profusely illustrated with well-placed black-and-white photos

Quackenbush, Robert. ALONG CAME THE MODEL T! HOW HENRY FORD PUT THE WORLD ON WHEELS. Parents, 1978. unp. \$6.19. Grades 4-6

Entertaining narrative spends much time tracing Ford's early mechanical interest--fixing watches, inventing internal-combustion engine; later activities (introducing conveyors, assembly-line production) follow in rapid succession; colorful, full-page illustrations tell Ford's life story in picture-book style; cartoons at bottom of each page add interest and information; includes details for making a tin lizzie from an egg carton

Quackenbush, Robert. TAKE ME OUT TO THE AIRFIELD! HOW THE WRIGHT BROTHERS INVENTED THE AIRPLANE. Described on North Carolina Advisory List

Rather, Dan, with Mickey Herskowitz. THE CAMERA NEVER BLINKS: ADVENTURES OF A TV JOURNALIST. Morrow, 1977. 320 p. \$10. Also available from Ballantine for \$2.25 paper. Grades 10-12

Chronicle of Dan Rather's career as a journalist from his radio reporting experiences in Texas to his CBS news position, covering '60's and '70's-- Kennedy's assassination, LBJ and Vietnam era, Nixon years ("Are you running for something?" "No, sir, Mr. President, are you?"); concentrates on how journalist does the job and assesses ability of TV journalism to depict reality accurately; straightforward, unapologetic, self-effacing autobiography; fascinating reading; highly recommended

Rogers, Jan Faulk. FIRST LADY: ROSALYNN CARTER. Childrens, 1978. 32 p. \$5.50. Grades 2-3

Large-print, primary-level biography of First Lady, Rosalynn Carter, abundantly illustrated with black-and-white photos of Mrs. Carter from childhood to present; especially attractive color photo of Rosalynn and Amy on hardback cover; for primary school biography collections

Roosevelt, Elliott, and James Brough. MOTHER R: ELEANOR ROOSEVELT'S UNTOLD STORY. Putnam, 1977. 288 p. \$8.95. Grades 10-12

Aspects of Eleanor Roosevelt's career (1945-1962) as U. N. delegate, TV and radio personality, newspaper columnist, Good Will Ambassador; concurrently, she strove to overcome shyness, feelings of inferiority, failure as a mother; last of trilogy on Roosevelts, written by son Elliott who benefits from hindsight, quoting his mother about political personalities and situations-- of Nixon, "He's not worthy to be in public life"; purchase for a special need

Rubin, Robert. TY COBB: THE GREATEST. Putnam, 1978. 192 p. \$5.69. Grades 5-9

Recounts career of baseball's all-time record holder with .367 lifetime batting average and 4,191 base hits; also includes unpleasantness of his life and career, such as feuds with teammates, divorce, bout with alcoholism; a few black-and-white photographs; indexed; large print

Rudolph, Wilma. WILMA. NAL, 1977. 172 p. \$1.75 paper. Grades 10-12

Three-time winner of Olympic gold medal, spunky track star Wilma Rudolph tells the story of her life in frank, conversational text which begins with her sickly childhood in Tennessee, follows her through her amazing track records, and brings readers up to date with Wilma today; honest, unpretentious, flavored with Wilma's personal ups and downs; a very honest account in which problems (an illegitimate baby, racial discrimination, teammates' jealousy) and joys (three Olympic gold medals, introductions to Popes and Presidents, a warm family life) are equally recalled; occasional profanity, though it is not forced or offensive; a much more open first-person record than that of many athletic superstars

Sabin, Francene. JIMMY CONNORS: KING OF THE COURTS. Putnam, 1978. 159 p. \$5.69. Grades 6-12

At age two Jimmy began hitting tennis balls that his mother bounced to him; Mrs. Connors and her mother, both tennis circuit players, coached Jimmy in the early years; this biography follows his progress to his present status as a champion tennis player; photographs; indexed

Schoor, Gene. BART STARR: A BIOGRAPHY. Doubleday, 1977. 211 p. \$6.95. Grades 6-12

A fine book about a sports superstar that will appeal to anyone interested in football or in what makes a hero a great guy; inspirational account of a young man's self-discipline and determination to rank (according to some experts) among the greatest quarterbacks in football history

Scott, John Anthony. WOMAN AGAINST SLAVERY: THE STORY OF HARRIET BEECHER STOWE. Crowell, 1978. 169 p. \$7.89. Grades 7-12

Sympathetic record of the personal and spiritual struggles of Harriet Beecher Stowe which culminated in her history-making publication, UNCLE TOM'S CABIN, and overnight fame for the New England minister's daughter; Harriet's burdens--continual childbirth, genteel poverty, a noble soul oppressed and longing for expression, a fine mind denied its natural outlets in a man's world--are all fully caught, compassionately expressed; one chapter devoted to recapitulating CABIN and objectively reviewing it from 20th-century viewpoint; excellent addition to biography collections; photos; index

Shapiro, Irwin. DARWIN AND THE ENCHANTED ISLES. Coward, 1977. 78 p. \$4.99. Grades 4-6

Easy-to-read, fictionalized biography illustrated with warm, appealing, full-page pencil drawings by Christopher Spollen; narrative focuses on BEAGLE voyage and discoveries that Darwin made during trip; little on actual theory of evolution; for students interested in science and people; wide margins, large print

Schoenbaum, S. WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE: A COMPACT DOCUMENTARY LIFE. Oxford U. Pr., 1977. 376 p. \$12.50. Grades 11-12

An impressive, scholarly biography by one of America's leading Shakespeareans; comprehensively explores the documented facts about William Shakespeare and his immediate family, providing a lively, witty, lucid discussion of myths, legends, and pseudo-scholarship which distort popular accounts of Shakespeare's career; much better reading than the semi-fictional biographies of Shakespeare; indispensable for high school students of Shakespeare; top-priority purchase for biography and English literature collections (Caldwell County)

Skold, Betty Westrom. SACAGAWEA. Dillon, 1977. 74 p. \$5.95. Grades 5-8

Studies the Shoshoni woman who traveled with her baby to help guide the Lewis and Clark Expedition overland to the Pacific; clear writing; no glossy or perfumed presentation of her life; outstanding research; packed with details of Indian culture; somewhat stronger on well-presented historical information than narrative impact; drawings, photographs, map; heartily recommended

Slater, Abby. IN SEARCH OF MARGARET FULLER: A BIOGRAPHY. Delacorte, 1978. 215 p. \$7.50. Grades 10-12

Fast-reading, sympathetic biography of American Transcendentalism's most famous female advocate, controversial Margaret Fuller, best known as editor of the Dial and intellectual sparring partner of Emerson, Thoreau; relies heavily on Fuller's own accounts and letters, quoting extensively; excellent insight into her emotional ferment and pessimism, her frustrated competition in realms considered appropriate only for men; very suitable for senior high readers, being neither too long nor too burdened with assumptions about reader's background on subject; clear analysis of Transcendental philosophy; indexed--only jarring note is lurid bookjacket depicting Fuller in long scarlet robe and romantic pose of a Gothic novel heroine

Sullivan, George. BERT JONES: BORN TO PLAY FOOTBALL. Putnam, 1977. 158 p. \$5.29. Grades 5-12

Bert Jones's life reads like a novel and it's all here--early life, goals and ambitions, records, details of plays, his achievements as star quarterback for Baltimore Colts; space is given to Bert's personal life as well; for avid sports fans of any age; particularly good selection for reluctant readers; black-and-white photos; indexed

Taylor, David. ZOO VET: ADVENTURES OF A WILD ANIMAL DOCTOR. Lippincott, 1977. 255 p. \$8.95. Grades 10-12

This doctor treats limping giraffes with joint problems, sick seals, bottle-nosed dolphins with mumps; his patients are wild animals and his love for them is obvious; these are good stories--getting camels into a plane in Prague, dodging a charging bull oryx; warm, sad, funny book; James Herriot fans (ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL) will love it

Truman, Margaret. WOMEN OF COURAGE. Bantam, 1976. 210 p. \$1.95 paper. Grades 7-12

Profiles of a dozen women who thwarted convention--Mother Jones who organized coal miners, Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, the first American woman doctor, Susan B. Anthony who crusaded for women's suffrage, Margaret Chase Smith who defied Joseph McCarthy, Dr. Frances O. Kelsey who refused to approve thalidomide distribution in U. S., Marian Anderson who sang triumphantly at Lincoln Memorial in 1939, and others equally inspiring; well written, the author rarely getting in the way of the narrative; includes good introduction and interesting documentary photographs; poor binding and inferior paper quality are drawbacks

Tuttle, Anthony. STEVE CAUTHEN: BOY JOCKEY. Putnam, 1978. unpag. \$7.95. Grades 5-12

Lively account of racing's Boy Wonder--talent, training, style, successes, failures; includes background information on racing regulations, customs, pitfalls, lingo; wonderful black-and-white photographs by Bruce Curtis on each page; large print generously spaced; easy-to-read conversational style (an occasional stilted phrase--e.g., "Whom were these racetrack fans cheering for?"); lovers of horses, racing, and success stories will devour; high-interest/low-vocabulary reading for junior and senior high students

Twain, Mark. Abridged and edited by Charles Neider. A TRAMP ABROAD.
Described on Social Studies Advisory List

Voight, Virginia F. PONTIAC: MIGHTY OTTAWA CHIEF. Garrard, 1977. 80 p.
\$3.58. Grades 3-5

Lots of plotting and fighting in this story of the Great Lakes Chief who united many Indian nations against the English; full-page color illustrations by William Hutchinson; a map pinpoints landmarks in conflict between Indians and British; good war story and welcome addition to elementary school collections

Wheeler, Richard. WE KNEW STONEWALL JACKSON. Crowell, 1977. 138 p. \$7.95.
Grades 8-12

The great Civil War general as he was viewed by those who knew him--teachers, neighbors, fellow students at West Point, military associates, friends, the doctor who attended him when he was fatally wounded by one of his own men at Chancellorsville; biographical text is interspersed with eyewitness quotations; illustrations are by artists and engravers of Jackson's time; bibliography; index; fascinating combination of impressions, giving multi-dimensions to Jackson

Wheeler, Shirley P. DR. NINA AND THE PANTHER. Bantam, 1976. 245 p. \$1.95 paper.
Grades 10-12

Recounts the life and career of an extraordinary woman who fought great odds to become a doctor at the turn of the century; weaves into the narrative much history and spirit of Seventh-Day Adventist Church in which young Nina Case served and against which Dr. Nina Case Baierle finally rebelled; describes her dedication as a pioneer country doctor beloved by Pennsylvania mountain folks, capturing her energy, love for medicine, independence, free spirit, zest for living; interesting reading for career-minded women and for anyone enjoying a success story

Worcester, Donald E. BOLIVAR. Little, 1977. 243 p. \$8.95. Grades 10-12

The story of the fight to end Spanish domination in five South American countries; straight military history rather than biography; clear, thorough; lacks drama of narrative, dialogue, and color, being more of a reference resource; good information for Latin American studies; index; list of further readings

Wright, Nicolas. THE RED BARON. McGraw, 1976. 116 p. \$6.84. Grades 5-9

Students might relate more easily to WWI through the life of the "Red Baron," who exists in pop culture via Snoopy impersonations and pop song; the training and German character portrayed in this youthful daredevil, who determined to kill 16 men to achieve the Blue Max, are interesting and important angles for studying both world wars; historical photographs of Manfred von Richthofen; endpapers of the WWI aircraft, including the famous Sopwith Camel, and a chronology of WWI events are important extras

Yeo, Wilma, and Helen K. Cook. MAVERICK WITH A PAINTBRUSH: THOMAS HART BENTON. Doubleday, 1977. 125 p. \$6.95. Grades 7-12

Account of artist who created many realistic murals of everyday American scenes and the controversy surrounding his work; not definitive on Benton or his work, but good addition to biography and art collections; beginning chapters seem aimed at younger readers than rest of book; style is bright, but more expository than narrative (Note: P. 76 offers curious bit of geography: "He had lingered in the old mill town of Greenville, North Carolina, where the mountain people befriended him")

Books in a Series

METROPOLITAN OPERA GUILD COMPOSER SERIES (2 titles). Described on Cultural Arts Advisory List

O'Reilly, Sean. EARLY SPORTS BOOKS: BASKETBALL. Childrens, 1977. each 31 p. each \$4.95. Grades 4-12

Titles: MEET THE CENTERS; MEET THE COACHES; MEET THE FORWARDS;
MEET THE GUARDS

Biographical sketches of professional players and coaches written in short, easy sentences and paragraphs; at least three colorful action photographs featuring each player; basketball buffs will devour these books; for average readers in elementary grades and for slow readers in junior and senior high; high-interest/low-vocabulary content

ROCK 'N POP STARS. Childrens, 1978. each 31 p. each \$4.95. Grades 7-12

Braun, Thomas. SONNY & CHER
Eldred, Patricia Mulrooney. DONNY & MARIE
Morse, Ann. BARRY MANILOW
Morse, Ann. TONY ORLANDO
Spada, James. CAPTAIN & TENNILLE

Note: See publisher's literature for additional titles in series.

Sketches personal and professional lives of popular singers--though not the current favorites--that might motivate reluctant readers; good black-and-white photographs that should have been captioned; large print a little too close together; wide side margins but very narrow middle ones; high-interest/low-vocabulary style and subject matter

Scheader, Catherine. THEY FOUND A WAY. Childrens, 1978. each 80 p. each \$5.95. Grades 5-9

Titles: LORRAINE HANSBERRY; MARY CASSATT

Although the length and format of these two titles seems to signal high-interest/low-vocabulary content (rather brief text, large print, wide margins, many illustrations), the vocabulary level of both titles is fairly sophisticated and the good writing styles will appeal to avid readers; each title follows the career of a successful woman who overcame great odds to achieve in professional fields; Lorraine Hansberry hurdled barriers of racial bias to claim fame with A RAISIN IN THE SUN and Mary Cassatt ignored 19th-century social conventions to pursue a career in painting influenced by the controversial French Impressionists; excellent biographies, lavishly illustrated

THE SUPERSTARS. Childrens, 1978. each 31 p. each \$4.95. Grades 6-12
Armstrong, Robert. DAVE COWENS
Armstrong, Robert. PETE MARAVICH
Feinberg, William H. KEN STABLER

Answers questions that aspiring athletes or fans ask; no dialogue, but pithy information with some records on scoring; color photographs; motivational reading for reluctant and deficient readers

BOOKS REVIEWED IN OTHER SOURCES

The books listed below have received favorable reviews in one or more of the following reviewing sources. Code letters for the reviewing sources are cited after the bibliographic entry for each title. The reviewing sources and their code letters are as follows:

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| AMERICAN LIBRARIES | AL |
| BOOK REVIEW DIGEST | BRD |
| BOOKLIST | BKL |
| BULLETIN OF THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS | BCCB |
| CHILDREN'S BOOK REVIEW SERVICE | CBRS |
| CHOICE | C |
| HORN BOOK | HB |
| KIRKUS REVIEWS | KR |
| LIBRARY JOURNAL | LJ |
| NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW | NYTBR |
| PUBLISHERS WEEKLY | PW |
| SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL | SLJ |
| SCIENCE BOOKS AND FILMS | SBF |
| TOP OF THE NEWS | TN |
| WILSON LIBRARY BULLETIN | WLB |

An asterisk after the code letters for the reviewing source indicates that the title was highly recommended in that particular reviewing source.

Abbey, Edward. THE JOURNEY HOME: SOME WORDS IN DEFENSE OF THE AMERICAN WEST.
Dutton, 1977. 242 p. \$9.95. \$4.95 paper. Grades 11-12. HB LJ PW

Atkinson, Linda. MOTHER JONES: THE MOST DANGEROUS WOMAN IN AMERICA.
Crown, 1978. 246 p. \$7.95. Grades 7-12. BKL KR NYTBR SLJ

Baker, Jim. O. J. SIMPSON'S MOST MEMORABLE GAMES. Putnam, 1978. 288 p.
\$8.95. Grades 9-12. BKL

Bloom, Naomi. CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN: RELIGION. Dillon, 1978. 126 p. \$6.95.
Grades 6-9. BKL

Boesen, Victor. STORM: IRVING KRICK VS. THE U. S. WEATHER BUREAUCRACY.
Putnam, 1978. 159 p. \$7.95. Grades 6-10. BKL KR

Brower, Kenneth. THE STARSHIP AND THE CANOE. Holt, 1978. 270 p. \$8.95.
Grades 11-12. BKL PW SLJ

Burchard, Marshall. SPORTS HERO: JOE MORGAN. Putnam, 1978. 93 p. \$5.49.
Grades 3-5. SLJ

Burchard, S. H. SPORTS STAR: DOROTHY HAMILL. Harcourt, 1978. 62 p. \$4.95.
Grades 3-6. BKL SLJ

- Cannon, Jack, and Tom Cannon; eds. NOBODY ASKED ME, BUT...: THE WORLD OF JIMMY CANNON. Holt, 1978. 309 p. \$10.95. Grades 11-12. BKL PW
- Clary, Jack. THE CAPTAINS. Atheneum, 1978. 178 p. \$7.95. Grades 8-12. BKL PW
- Davis, Richard W. DISRAELI. Little, 1976. 231 p. \$8.95. Grades 11-12. BKL BRD C KR LJ PW
- Egan, Ferol. FRÉMONT: EXPLORER FOR A RESTLESS NATION. Doubleday, 1977. 582 p. \$14.95. Teacher use. C LJ PW
- Eiseman, Alberta. REBELS AND REFORMERS. BIOGRAPHIES OF FOUR JEWISH AMERICANS: URIAH PHILLIPS LEVY, ERNESTINE L. ROSE, LOUIS D. BRANDEIS, LILLIAN D. WALD. Doubleday, 1976. 131 p. \$4.95. \$2.50 paper. Grades 4-9. BKL KR SLJ
- Facklam, Margery. WILD ANIMALS, GENTLE WOMEN. Harcourt, 1978. 139 p. \$5.95. Grades 4-10. HB
- Gauch, Patricia Lee. THE IMPOSSIBLE MAJOR ROGERS. Putnam, 1977. 61 p. \$5.95. Grades 3-6. BKL HB KR SLJ
- Gill, Derek L. T. TOM SULLIVAN'S ADVENTURES IN DARKNESS. NAL, 1976. 148 p. \$1.50 paper. Grades 6-8. BCCB BKL KR SLJ
- Glubok, Shirley, and Alfred Tamarin. THE MUMMY OF RAMOSE: THE LIFE AND DEATH OF AN ANCIENT EGYPTIAN NOBLEMAN. Harper, 1978. 82 p. \$6.79. Grades 5-9. BKL* HB KR SLJ
- Gruber, Ruth. RAQUELA: A WOMAN OF ISRAEL. Coward, 1978. 379 p. \$10.95. Teacher use. BKL PW
- Haskins, James. FROM LEW ALCINDOR TO KAREEM ABDUL-JABBAR. Rev. ed. Lothrop, 1978. 144 p. \$5.95. Grades 5-8. BKL KR SLJ
- Haskins, James S. PELÉ: A BIOGRAPHY. Doubleday, 1976. 185 p. \$5.95. Grades 6-9. BCCB BKL KR SLJ
- Hayes, Elvin, and Bill Gilbert. THEY CALL ME "THE BIG E." Prentice, 1978. 169 p. \$8.95. Grades 9-12. PW SLJ
- Hitz, Demi, adapt. LU PAN: THE CARPENTER'S APPRENTICE. Prentice, 1978. 48 p. \$5.95. Grades 2-5. BKL KR SLJ
- Hocken, Sheila. EMMA AND I. Dutton, 1978. 211 p. \$8.95. Grades 10-12. SLJ WLB
- Huxley, Elspeth. SCOTT OF THE ANTARCTIC. Atheneum, 1977. 304 p. \$12.95. Grade 12. KR LJ NYTBR PW SLJ
- Iverson, Genie. JACQUES COUSTEAU. Putnam, 1976. 63 p. \$4.29. Grades 2-6. BKL KR SBF SLJ
- Ivinskaya, Olga. A CAPTIVE OF TIME. Doubleday, 1978. 462 p. \$12.50. Grade 12. BKL C PW
- Jackson, Reggie. Edited by Robert Kraus. REGGIE JACKSON'S SCRAPBOOK. Windmill, 1978. 120 p. \$9.95. \$5.95 paper. Grades 4-8. KR PW SLJ
- Lipsyte, Robert. FREE TO BE MUHAMMAD ALI. Harper, 1978. 124 p. \$5.79. Grades 6-12. BKL
- McNeely, Jerry, and Richard E. Peck. SOMETHING FOR JOEY. Bantam, 1977. 184 p. \$1.75 paper. Grades 7-12. SLJ

Pelé, with Robert L. Fish. MY LIFE AND THE BEAUTIFUL GAME. Doubleday, 1977.
371 p. \$10. Grade 12. BKL LJ PW

Schoor, Gene. THE STORY OF YOGI BERRA. Doubleday, 1976. 213 p. \$6.70.
Grades 5-9. SLJ

Sill, Harold D., Jr. MISBEHAVIN' WITH FATS: A TOBY BRADLEY ADVENTURE.
Addison, 1978. 95 p. \$5.95. Grades 4-6. KR SLJ

Smith, Norman Lewis. THE RETURN OF BILLY THE KID. Coward, 1977. 213 p.
\$8.95. Grades 9-12. BRD LJ SLJ

Smith, Robert. PIONEERS OF BASEBALL. Little, 1978. 180 p. \$7.95.
Grades 5-10. KR SLJ

Sullivan, George. THE PICTURE STORY OF NADIA COMANECI. Messner, 1977.
64 p. \$6.64. Grades 3-6. BKL KR SLJ

Süssman, Cornelia and Irving. THOMAS MERTON: THE DARING YOUNG MAN ON THE
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