

future as perceived by an eminent anthropologist and professor. EBBA members wishing to reflect upon their place in the universe may find the volume of interest.

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A FIELD GUIDE TO THE BUTTERFLIES OF BRITAIN AND EUROPE

By L. G. Higgins and N. D. Riley

Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, Mass. 1970. Pp. 380. \$8.95

This volume contains more than 760 color illustrations of butterflies by Brian Hargreaves. All species in Europe west of Russia are included along with the forms found on the Mediterranean, Madeira, and Canary Islands, and along the west coast of North Africa. Distribution maps also are provided for almost all species -- the first ever to be compiled and published. The text contains the standard field guide information: vernacular and scientific names, description, flight, habitat, and distribution.

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AN ATLAS OF SPECIATION IN AFRICAN PASSERINE BIRDS

By B. P. Hall and R. E. Moreau

British Museum (Natural History), Cromwell Road, London, S. W. 7, Great Britain. 1970. Pp. 423. Fifteen pounds.

This ponderous volume of maps charts the geographic distribution of 962 species of African passerines. It is the first such book ever devoted in such depth to the distribution of a major portion of the birds of an entire continent and, as such, represents one of the most significant ornithological volumes every published. The task of gathering location data from vast numbers of museum specimens, supplemented by some sight observations, and plotting these accurately on maps seems almost overwhelming. Yet this is exactly what the senior author did.