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"Koltanowski's Chess Annual, 1955," by George Koltanowski. Published by Rea Associates, San Francisco. 74 pages. Price 9s. (\$1.25.)

Vaguely, though possibly somewhat illogically, we seem to have in mind some distinction between a "Year Book" and an "Annual"—the former a review of the year's events, productivity, and personalities; and the second a pleasant *pot-pourri*, with a mixture of fanciful and factual ingredients. On these terms the present "blindfold champion" has given us a bright and bright-looking annual. But were all fifty games of Mr. Koltanowsky's blindfold exhibition at San Francisco worth putting on record? His great gifts in this direction need no such fleeting, unsubstantial confirmation. We also feel that the "Glossary of Chess Terms" should make some reference to problems. Otherwise, there is something for everybody here, and a great deal for a good many.—D. J. M.

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