

The Roots of Counter-Insurgency: Armies and Guerrilla Warfare, 1900-1945.

Blandford, dist. by Sterling, Oct. 1988. c.160p. ed. by Ian F.W. Beckett. photogs. ISBN 0-7137-1922-2. \$29.95.

MILITARY STUDIES

All that is written about the activities of the partisan, the rebel, the guerrilla seems to emphasize the inhabitant over the invader. This imported collection of six essays from instructors in military science at Britain's Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst examines the other side, using for example literally hundreds of campaigns to show that basic lessons in putting down revolts by subject people must be learned over and over by governments and their military branches. Six countries' attempts at suppression are examined with academic acuity and thoroughness, but the examples dissected are best aimed at those with specialized knowledge. A scholarly treatment, but very accessible.—*Mel D. Lane, Sacramento, Cal.*

international affairs

Shawcross, William. **The Shah's Last Ride.**

S. & S. 1988. c.380p. index. ISBN 0-671-55231-7. \$19.95.

INT AFFAIRS

The Shah of Iran, Mohammad Reza

Pahlavi, the man who ruled Iran in excess and fear, and lost his country to the Ayatollah Khomeini, has become a faint memory. Shawcross resurrects the Shah and his last months of life in exile while recalling the events and cast of international players that conspired to elevate him to his place of world prominence before turning him into a pariah and political dynamite for the United States and its allies. Although well written, the book contributes very little that is new. Libraries with established collections in this area will already have Fereydoun Hoveyda's *Fall of the Shah* and Amin Saikal's *Rise and Fall of the Shah* (both reviewed in *LJ* 4/15/80)—both are good. If not, Shawcross's book will suffice. [BOMC alternate.]—*David P. Snider, Casa Grande P.L., Ariz.*

Psychology & Psychiatry

Basch, Michael Franz. **Understanding Psychotherapy: The Science Behind the Art.**

Basic Bks. 1988. c.304p. index. LC 88-47690. ISBN 0-465-08863-5. \$19.95. PSYCH
Psychoanalytic psychiatrist Basch argues that Freud's theories of human development have been sup-

planted by current research from a variety of disciplines. Addressing both colleagues and laypersons, he discusses newer concepts that include striving for competence and self-esteem, affect, feedback, pattern matching, and the self system. Science interfaces with art in his discussion of patient care, but because the case studies are composites, constructed to make points, the interactions between patient and doctor often lack spontaneity and hence credibility. Stilted prose and textbook charts further preclude popular appeal. For large psychology/psychiatry collections and academic libraries.—*Janice Arenofsky, formerly with Arizona State Lib., Phoenix*

Frank, Robert H. **Passions Within Reason: The Strategic Role of the Emotions.**

Norton. 1988. c.277p. illus. index. ISBN 0-393-02604-3. \$19.95. PSYCH

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