

photos are usual, but they are still easiest to take.

The authors did very well, however, and I believe they left a clear message to those who still believe the north to be untouched and unspoiled, when they took the name of the book from the following passage: "I still remember it all clearly and if I were to go back to that life, I could do it all exactly as I was taught. *It's just that we don't live in snow houses now.*"

**BOMBERS AND FIRESETTERS;** by John M. Macdonald, M.D., F.R.C.P. (E) Charles C. Thomas, Publisher, 301-327 East Lawrence Avenue, Springfield, Illinois, 62717, U.S.A. Pp. 243; price \$13.50.

*Bombers and Firesetters* is a well written, thoroughly researched publication addressing the subjects of bombings and arsons from a direction opposed to that taken by other authors of similar previously published works. Although basic technical descriptive data describing explosive and incendiary devices and their required components is included, this is not essentially a technical document. On the contrary, it is a comprehensive study of individual and group perpetrators of these crimes, their personalities and motivations and their aims in engaging in activities of this nature. Case studies, extracted from official documentation and developed as a result of on scene research by the author, have been logically composed and presented in a manner directed to be of benefit to explosive or arson investigators by offering an insight into the rationale of their adversaries.

This publication is not the "end-all" in information on the subject but certainly for those with a job related need for factual background knowledge it is a worthy reference document which, in addition, makes particularly interesting reading. B. Hay

**THE CANADIAN METRIC CONVERSION HANDBOOK;** compiled by Metric Commission Canada, Hurtig Publishers, Edmonton, pp. 98, \$1.45 (paper).

Did you know that a *pascal* is defined as the pressure or stress which is produced when a force of one newton is applied to an area of one square meter? and that a *newton* is defined as the force that, when applied to a body having a mass of one kilogram, gives the body an acceleration of one metre per second squared? You didn't know, and what's more, you could not care less? Well, you are probably no

different than most other Canadians, but by 1980, it will certainly be nice to know that, for instance, normal tire pressure for your car is 180 kPa. And when you pick up that roast in the supermarket that the \$3.20 per kilogram you pay for it, is exactly the same as \$1.45 per pound. Like it or not, metrics are here to stay, and those of us who studied Imperial weights and measures are going to have to convert to the new system.

There comes the crunch. How do we convert when all of our tools we use to weigh and measure are under the old system. This little book is all you need. It has practically everything concerning metric conversion: tables converting measurements of length, area, volume, capacity, mass weight and energy; tables for drivers dealing with distances, speed, fuel and oil consumption; tables for the housewife dealing with weights and volume, including one for conversion of price per kilogram/pound.

It's all there. And by 1980, we not only have to learn the terms but also the concepts. If that is too difficult, this little book is the obvious answer. I have placed an order for several of them. T.K.

**GREAT GOLF HUMOUR;** a collection of Stories and Articles edited by Mervyn J. Huston; Mel Hurtig Publishers, 10560-105 Street, Edmonton, Alta., T5H 2W7 — pp. 287. Price \$11.95.

*Great Golf Humour* should not be read at one sitting. It should be slowly savoured over a drink and next to the fire on a cold winter's day, bringing back fond memories of a summer pastime. The stories hail from many different authors and present almost every situation an ardent golfer may find himself in, including a Canadian whose hobby it is to photograph local women on reclining balconies, using a yellow filter, when he travels abroad. All the old lore is there, the caddies of the Scots courses, the perils of North Berwick's low stone walls, how the venerable oldest member of the club is hit by a ball, and has "Dunlop 65" permanently printed upside down on his forehead and many other "true" stories.

The book also tells you the ploys of psychological warfare, used to beat an opponent if you can't play the game all that well yourself, that give you the edge you need to win. Each course uses its own characteristic statements to