

## Books Received

*The following books have been received by the Editor. Brief and generally uncritical notices are given of works of marginal crystallographic interest; occasionally a book of fundamental interest is included under this heading because of difficulty in finding a suitable reviewer without great delay.*

**Lasers.** Edited by A. K. LEVINE and A. J. DEMARIA. Vol. 4 by R. ARRATHOON, H. G. DANIELMEYER, P. W. SMITH and R. G. SMITH. Pp. x + 329. Dekker. Price 105 SF.

any specifically crystallographic considerations: this is a very short contribution by H. Raether on *Structure Determination of Thin Films*.

**Physics of nonmetallic thin films.** Edited by C. H. S. DUPUY and A. CACHARD. Pp. viii + 510. Plenum Press, 1976. Price \$59.40.

This book contains the lectures presented at the Second NATO Summer School on Metallic and Nonmetallic Thin Films, held in Corsica, in September 1974. It is a collection of seventeen essentially independent essays on different aspects of nonmetallic thin films ('thin films' being those  $< 1 \mu\text{m}$  thick). Each essay has its own interest but only one involves

**Thermal conductivity 14.** Edited by P. G. KLEMENS and T. K. CHU. Pp. xv + 566. Plenum Press, 1975. Price \$54.00.

This volume contains the proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Thermal Conductivity, held in Storrs, Connecticut, USA, in June 1975. It consists of some seventy independent papers, about one third of which are on the thermal conductivity of solids; a few of these refer marginally to the crystallography of the materials.