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901. — BAIER (Kurt) and RESCHER (Nicholas), edd. *Values and the Future: The Impact of Technological Change on American Values*. New York, The Free Press, 1969. 25 cm., xiii + 527 p., \$ 14.95.

This collection integrates the work of philosophers in clarifying theoretical and methodical concepts with that of social scientists in generating and testing hypotheses, to predict the outcomes of probable changes in American technology and values in the next 30 years. The 18 articles are by Kurt Baier, Kenneth E. Boulding, David Braybrooke, Martin Bronfenbrenner, Bertrand de Jouvenel, John Kenneth Galbraith, Bela Gold, Sonia S. Gold, Theodore J. Gordon, Leland Halyard, Olaf Helmer, David Lewis, John P. Powelson, Nicholas Rescher, J. B. Schneewind, Alvin Toffler, James A. Wilson. — Contents are divided into 3 main sections. Part one, « Analysis, » provided behavioral definitions of the key terms « value » and « value change, » clarification of criteria of related terminology, and several sketches of techniques of applying the resultant conceptual scheme and methodology to past and future value change/technological change interactions. Part two, « Interaction, » involves numerous (often conflicting) hypotheses about the character of the relationship between values and technology and poses many issues for future investigation. Part three, « control, » takes up the issue of how the interaction of value and technology can be influenced. An introductory essay provides a summary and partial critique of the 3 parts. Two lengthy bibliographies are appended. The first provides 286 alphabetically-arranged entries pertinent to technological progress and future-oriented studies; the second contains 577 entries arranged under various sub-headings covering aspects of the theory of value.