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line drawings of other species. The introduction provides good background information on eastern Colorado bioregions and the geographic affinities of some of their unusual species. This book will be a useful reference volume for those interested in the vegetation of the region.

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Colorado Flora: Eastern Slope. By William A. Weber, Niwot, Colorado: University Press of Colorado, 1990. Introduction, keys, illustrations, photographs, glossary, indexes. xxxvi + 396 pp. \$32.50 cloth, \$19.95 pa-

This flora of essentially the eastern half of Colorado provides keys to 2560 types of vascular plants found in this area. It provides useful information for those interested in the identification of plants in the central portion of the Great Plains because the work provides a thorough coverage of the area to the borders of Nebraska, Kansas, Wyoming, and New Mexico. Since the vegetation extends beyond these political borders, this work can be useful to those in nearby states.

William Weber has long been recognized as the authority for the Colorado flora and has previously written Rocky Mountain Flora and the companion to his current work—Colorado Flora: Western Slope. Dr. Weber has been curator at the University of Colorado Museum Herbarium since 1946 and his career in floristic botany spans more than sixty years.

Like most floras, this is a technical work, most useful for those with a strong background in botany. It has indexes for both scientific and common names. Species descriptions are abbreviated and contained in the keys. Notes on some species provide information on their specific and unusual locations. The work is to be commended for having color plates of sixty-four species and more than one hundred pages of