Shorter Notices

PATTERN FOR PEACE (Newman Press, \$5. 75) is a useful collection of papal statements, from Leo XIII to John XXIII, on the international order, and provides a reminder of how consistent and constructive has been the teaching of recent popes. It is especially valuable to have these documents—scattered as they are in various sources—now brought together for easy reference.

THE WIND AND THE RAIN (Secker and Warburg, 25s.). The periodical, originally produced at Ampleforth and for some years suspended, now appears as an 'Easter Book' under the editorship of Neville Braybrooke. The first part is a collection of essays on Teilhard de Chardin, and short stories, poems, juvenilia and literary essays make up a very mixed bag—an Easter egg for a curate, in fact.

THE NEW MAN (Burns and Oates, 18s.) is Thomas Merton's 'Lent Book', and it is a beautifully written account of man's new creation in Christ and his confrontation with the sadness and despair of our times.

WRITERS AND CRITICS the excellent series published by Oliver and Boyd (5s. each volume), has four new titles: Melville, by A. R. Humphreys; Steinbeck, by F. W. Watt; Sartre, by Maurice Cranston; E. M. Forster, by K. W. Gransden. Dome Books, an American Catholic paperback series, is now available in England, and first titles include The Triumph of Christ, by A. M. Henry, O.P., (8s. 6d.), The Meaning of Marriage and The Meaning of Parenthood, by Eugene G. Geissler (each 8s. 6d.). A handy French paperback is la Boite A Questions, by A. M. Roguet, O.P. (Editions du Cerf, 5.85 NF), a dictionary of popular religious apologetic in question-and-answer form, which is at a much higher level of theological awareness than is usually found in books of this kind.

PENGUIN BOOKS in their new *Peregrine* series have further expanded their beneficent empire, and among the first titles *The Quest for Proust*, by Andre Maurois (10s. 6d.) and *The Rebel*, by Albert Camus (7s. 6d.) are notable. Recent Pelican books have included *The Way of Zen*, by Alan W. Watts (4s.); *Cancer*, by R. J. C. Harris (3s. 6d.) and *The Evolution of Life*, by F. H. T. Rhodes (6s.).