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JE is immensely pleased by Jane Jacobs' book, "The Death and Life of Great American Cities" prepared with RF aid. He says comment is unanimous in assessing this as a valuable contribution to city development and design, and is likely to be as influential as it is solid and original. Random House has tentatively set next October 1 as the publication date, but may move this closer. Review copies would be available by August, and some sent to the RF. The book will, as a hardback, probably be priced at \$5.95 and this may have to go up to \$6.95 though JE hopes not.

Magazines have shown extraordinary interest in early printing of parts of the book. Selections will be carried, in the coming months, by the Saturday Evening Post, Harper's, Architectural Forum, The Reporter, and Mademoiselle.

JE would welcome a list of individuals in the United States to whom review copies of the book could be sent, as soon as available.

CG said that when the book is out, RF officers would probably wish to send gift copies to selected individuals in Asia, Latin America, and other foreign areas.

The occasion was taken to congratulate Random House on its current publication of Abraham Kaplan's book, "The New World of Philosophy." Its chapters on Asian philosophies were made possible by earlier RFH assistance to Kaplan.

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