

The two articles that attract attention are the one on Morquio's disease by M. Robinow (Ohio) and the other on juvenile osteochondroses by Hans Mau (working at Heidelberg under Lindemann). Both correlate our present knowledge of the aetiology, nature, and recognition of these interesting conditions, and are well illustrated. Confusion regarding nomenclature of such rare conditions is inevitable until more case reports are available.

There is a survey of 100 cases of high femoral neck fracture treated by multiple nail fixation; of the 55 cases followed for two to nine years, 19 developed avascular necrosis, mostly between the first and second years after fracture.

Cobey (Georgetown) reports observations on motoring accidents. The orthopaedic surgeon can contribute to the active work of the President's Traffic Safety Committee and to the Cornell Research Department. The author is interested in the causation of the injuries as a factor in providing prevention. He is concerned that the medical student is rarely taught the principles of first aid and emergency care of patients, so that the young doctor tends to seek radiographic help in diagnosis, when careful handling of the patient from ambulance to bed, followed by the immediate treatment of shock, including splintage, are life-saving measures.

The publication is of the high standard of previous numbers.

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## ENDOCRINOLOGY AND NUTRITION

*Problèmes Actuels d'Endocrinologie et de Nutrition.* Second series. Under the direction of Guy Laroche, H. P. Klotz, and J. Trémolières. (Pp. 215; illustrated. 1,600 fr.) Paris: Expansion Scientifique Française. 1958.

Though the problem of presenting and classifying the ever-increasing mass of medical literature is in urgent need of solution, it would not seem to lie in publications of this type, for we have in this volume a heterogeneous collection of papers, many excellent in their way, but which have little in common save that they emanate from the same hospital. Twelve papers are included, only seven of which give any proper references to the literature.

The first three cover in considerable detail the technique and results of implanting radioactive pellets into the hypophysis. In 114 cases radioactive gold was used, but a full hypophysectomy was not obtained as a rule. The value of hypophysectomy in diabetes is reviewed. Another topical paper surveys the effects of national habits of diet on mean plasma cholesterol. The metabolism of alcohol is briefly reviewed, and a survey of cirrhotics in France who were compared with controls leads to the conclusion that neither dietary intake nor calories nor social factors influence the liability to cirrhosis, but only the daily alcohol intake. Less than 80 g. a day is safe, but above 160 g. the risk is grave. There are valuable surveys of the methods of diagnosis of virilism and of the types of masculinization of ovarian origin. There is a discussion of endocrine cataract and of the nature and differential diagnosis of idiopathic hypercalciuria. Finally an extensive discussion of the premenstrual syndrome and a brief survey of diabetic neuritis are included.

Few readers are likely to be interested in all the varied subjects covered, though many may find individual papers of interest.

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## BOOKS RECEIVED

*Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received*

*Nutrition and the Public Health.* By H. E. Magee, M.B., B.Ch.(Belf.), D.Sc.(Aberd.), M.R.C.P. With a foreword by Sir John Charles, K.C.B., M.D., F.R.C.P., D.P.H., Hon.D.Hy. (Pp. 151+xii. 25s.) London: Pitman Medical Publishing Co. Ltd. 1959.

*Struktur und Stoffwechsel des Herzmuskels. I. Symposium an der Medizinischen Universitäts-Klinik Münster (Westf.).* (Pp. 170; illustrated. DM. 29.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1959.

*Ocular Vertical Deviations and the Treatment of Nystagmus.* By J. Ringland Anderson, M.C., M.D., B.S., F.R.C.S.Ed., F.R.A.C.S., D.O.M.S. With a foreword by Sir Stewart Duke-Elder, G.C.V.O., M.D., D.Sc., LL.D., F.R.C.S., F.R.A.C.S., F.A.C.S. Second edition. (Pp. 189+xvi; illustrated. 42s.) London: British Medical Association. 1959.

*Medical Education. Annotated Bibliography. 1946-1955.* (Pp. 391. 35s.) Geneva: World Health Organization. 1958.

*The English Health Service. Its Origins, Structure, and Achievements.* By Harry Eckstein. Foreword by James Howard Means, M.D. (Pp. 289+xxi. 30s.) Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press. London: Oxford University Press. 1959.

*Surgery of the Stomach and Duodenum.* By Claude E. Welch, M.D., D.Sc.(Hon.). Third edition. (Pp. 405; illustrated. 74s.) Chicago: The Year Book Publishers. London: Interscience Publishers Ltd. 1959.

*Anatomy of the Human Body.* By R. D. Lockhart, M.D., Ch.M., F.R.S.E., G. F. Hamilton, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., and F. W. Fyfe, M.A., M.B., Ch.B. (Pp. 697+ix; illustrated. £5 5s.) London: Faber and Faber. 1959.

*The Bristol Social Adjustment Guides.* [A series of diagnostic forms and templates.] By D. H. Stott, M.A., Ph.D., and E. G. Sykes. London: University of London Press.

*The Social Adjustment of Children. Manual to the Bristol Social Adjustment Guides.* By D. H. Stott, M.A., Ph.D. (Pp. 46. 25s.) London: University of London Press. 1958.

*Le Colonie Climatiche. L'Assistenza Climatica all'Infanzia nel quadro della Moderna Medicina Preventiva.* By Professor Salvatore Collari. (Pp. 175; illustrated. L. 1,200.) Rome: Istituto di Medicina Sociale. 1959.

*The Trial of August Sangret.* Edited by Macdonald Critchley, M.D. (Pp. 233+xxxiv. 18s.) London, Edinburgh, Glasgow: William Hodge and Company Limited. 1959.

*La Regolazione Endocrina dell'Emopoiesi nella Fisiopatologia e nella Clinica.* By Giuseppe Chirico and Alberto Ferrara. Preface by Paolo Introzzi. (Pp. 294; illustrated. L. 4,000.) Pavia: Edizione di Haematologica. 1958.

*Fundamentals of Otolaryngology.* By Lawrence R. Boies, M.D. Third edition. (Pp. 510+xx; illustrated. 56s.) Philadelphia, London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1959.

*Therapeutic Electricity and Ultraviolet Radiation.* Edited by Sidney Licht, M.D. (Pp. 373+xii; illustrated. \$10.) New Haven, Conn.: Elizabeth Licht, Publisher. 1959.

*Autolyse-Krankheiten in der Chirurgie.* By Dr. Leo Koslowski. (Pp. 159+viii; illustrated. DM. 19.80.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1959.

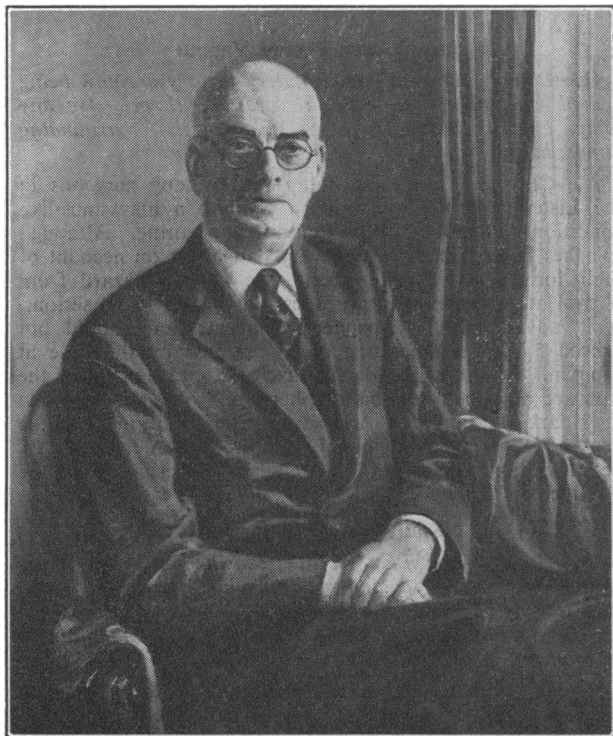
*VA Prospectus Research in Aging.* Veterans Administration, 1959. (Pp. 125+v; illustrated. \$1.50.) Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office. 1959.

*A Color Atlas of Morphologic Hematology. With a Guide to Clinical Interpretation.* By Geneva A. Daland, B.S. Edited by Thomas Hale Ham, M.D. Illustrations by Etta Piotti. Revised edition. (Pp. 72; illustrated. 55s.) Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press. London: Oxford University Press. 1959.

*Angewandte und Topographische Anatomie.* By Professor Dr. G. Töndury. Second edition. (Pp. 578+xiii; illustrated. DM. 79.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1959.

*Pathology of Tumours of the Nervous System.* By Dorothy S. Russell, Sc.D., M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., LL.D., and L. J. Rubenstein, M.D. With a chapter on Tissue Culture in Relation to Tumours of the Nervous System. By C. E. Lumsden, M.D. (Pp. 318; illustrated. 70s.) London: Edward Arnold (Publishers) Ltd. 1959.

**Sir Landsborough Thomson.**—Below is reproduced a photograph of Mr. PETER SCOTT's portrait of Sir LANDSBOROUGH THOMSON, formerly Second Secretary of the Medical Research Council. Sir Landsborough Thomson retired in October, 1957, after nearly 40 years'



service on the Council's administrative staff. The portrait was subscribed for by his colleagues and friends and was presented to him by the EARL OF LIMERICK, chairman of the Medical Research Council, at a ceremony in London on May 25. Sir HENRY DALE, O.M., F.R.S., and Sir HAROLD HIMSWORTH, F.R.S., spoke at the presentation.

**Postgraduate Medical School.**—The foundation stone of a new building, the Wolfson Institute, was laid at the School by Mr. ISAAC WOLFSON, chairman of the Great Universal Stores Ltd., on June 2, 1959. The building will contain lecture rooms and other amenities for the students and teaching staff, and is expected to be finished in October, 1960. It has been made possible by a grant of £125,000 by the Isaac Wolfson Foundation and is the first step in a building programme which will ultimately cost £1,000,000 (see *Journal*, November 3, 1956, p. 1052).

### COMING EVENTS

**Royal College of Physicians.**—Sir MACFARLANE BURNET, O.M., F.R.S., to deliver Croonian lectures on June 16 and 18 at 5 p.m.

**Multiple Sclerosis Society.**—Annual general meeting at Livingstone Hall, Broadway, London, S.W.1, 6 p.m. on June 17.

**Royal Society of Health.**—London sessional meeting on "Neglected Children" at 2.30 p.m. at the Society's headquarters on June 17.

**Imperial Cancer Research Fund Concerts.**—June 21, 8 p.m., Burford Bridge Hotel, Dorking, Surrey: Miss Eileen Joyce.

**Second International Conference on Medical Electronics.**—To be held at UNESCO, 123, Avenue de Suffren, Paris, 7, from June 24 to 27. Details from Dr. C. N. SMYTH, University College Hospital, London, W.C.1.

**Royal Australasian College of Surgeons.**—A postgraduate course in surgery to be held in Melbourne from August 3 to October 9. Entries by June 30 and further details from Honorary Secretary, Victorian State Committee, Spring Street, Melbourne, C.1.

**Institute of Radio Engineers.**—12th annual conference on electrical techniques in medicine and biology at the Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A., November 10 to 12. Proposals for contributed papers to Dr. L. E. FLORY, RCA Laboratories, Princeton, N.J., U.S.A., before July 1.

### SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

A fee is charged or a ticket is required for attending lectures marked ●. Application should be made first to the institution concerned.

#### Monday, June 15

INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. W. Ritchie Russell: Rehabilitation in Diseases of the Nervous System.  
POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Dr. B. Ackner: Psychiatric Aspects of Epilepsy.

#### Tuesday, June 16

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. A. K. Monro: Malignant Melanoma.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Croonian Lecture by Sir Macfarlane Burnet, O.M., F.R.S.: Autoimmune Disease—(1) Modern Immunological Concepts.  
SOUTH-WEST LONDON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Bolingbroke Hospital, 8.30 p.m., Mr. R. de Vere: Present Position of Endocrine Therapy in Gynaecology.  
WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. E. H. Larkin: Ataractic, Euphoriant, and Psychotropic Drugs.

#### Wednesday, June 17

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. H. Haber: Dyskeratoses.  
INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Mr. J. R. Belcher: Re-stenosis of the Mitral Valve.  
LONDON ASSOCIATION OF THE MEDICAL WOMEN'S FEDERATION.—At Royal Free School of Medicine, 8.30 p.m., extraordinary meeting.

#### Thursday, June 18

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Professor C. E. Dent: Hartnup Disease. An Inborn Error of Metabolism.  
ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Croonian Lecture by Sir Macfarlane Burnet, O.M., F.R.S.: Autoimmune Disease—(2) Pathology of the Immune Response.  
ROYAL SOCIETY.—4.30 p.m., Leeuwenhoek Lecture by Mr. F. C. Bawden, F.R.S.: Viruses—Retrospect and Prospect.  
ROYAL SOCIETY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE AND HYGIENE.—7.30 p.m., 52nd annual general meeting; 8 p.m., Professor W. St. C. Symmers will present a series of lantern slides illustrating "Clinico-pathological Observations in Some Cases of Fungal Infections and Other Tropical Infections met with in Britain."

#### Friday, June 19

BRITISH INSTITUTE OF RADIOLOGY.—Radiobiology Meeting, 11.30 a.m., short papers by Dr. J. F. Fowler and Miss B. E. Stern, Dr. J. F. Fowler, and Miss J. M. Lawrey, and Dr. A. H. Pontifex. 2 p.m., short papers by Dr. D. Lacy, Dr. Phyllis Stearner, Miss S. M. Simpson, and Dr. R. Ghys.  
FACULTY OF RADIOLOGISTS.—At Royal College of Surgeons of England, 4.30 p.m., 23rd Skinner Lecture by Professor W. V. Mayneord: Some Problems in the Metabolism of Radioactive Materials in the Human Body.  
●INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., clinical demonstration by Dr. A. D. Porter.  
INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. J. G. Scadding: clinical demonstration.  
KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITAL.—8 p.m., clinical meeting.  
LEICESTER CHRISTIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—At Leicester Royal Infirmary, 8.45 p.m., film: Red River of Life. Introduced by Lieutenant-Colonel G. E. Aldridge.  
POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—10 a.m., Professor D. Slome: Experimental Studies on Wound Healing.

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

#### BIRTHS

**Loumense.**—On May 10, 1959, at P.O. Box 910, The Pas, Manitoba, Canada, to Ira and Peter, a brother for Christopher and Marina—Ian Michael.  
**Parker.**—On May 29, 1959, at Rutland Memorial Hospital, Oakham, Rutland, to Pamela Margaret (formerly Lee), wife of Flight Lieutenant Dennis M. Parker, M.B., Ch.B., R.A.F., a son—Michael Charles Mackinder.  
**Walker.**—On May 27, 1959, at Oakland, California, U.S.A., to Bridget (formerly Kipping), wife of Dr. Geoffrey Walker, Highland Hospital, Oakland, 6, California, a son—Christopher Hillary.

#### DEATHS

**Anderson.**—On May 21, 1959, at The Lodge, Copdock, Ipswich, James Robertson Anderson, M.B., Ch.B.  
**Boon.**—On May 17, 1959, at 19, Danecourt Road, Parkstone, Dorset, Ernest Gerald Boon, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., late of Alassio, Italy, aged 94.  
**Coghill.**—On May 16, 1959, William David Coghill, M.B., Ch.B., of 23, Belvedere Road, Coventry, aged 74.  
**Lawson.**—On May 14, 1959, at Worsbrough Dale, Barnsley, Thomas Labatt Lawson, M.Ch., F.R.C.S.Ed., aged 46.  
**Reid.**—On May 10, 1959, at Vale of Leven Hospital, Dunbartonshire, John Reid, M.D., D.P.H., F.R.F.P.S., aged 76.  
**Waddington.**—At Cheltenham Nursing Home, Eric Frushard Waddington, M.B., B.S., of Eglinton West, Pitville Circus, Cheltenham, aged 76.  
**Williams.**—On May 20, 1959, at Duna Lodge, Keldholme, Kirkbymoorside, Yorkshire, John Clarkson Birkbeck Williams, M.D., J.P.