ample opportunity for the exercise of their considerable technical skills at the primary operation with, as they write, "vastly improved economy and value to all concerned." The most outstanding example of this approach is their direct primary repair of tendons and nerves severed at wrist level in children. This early approach to the surgery of repair of all injured tissues is without doubt the right approach. The difficulties are first to set up a sound organization that will assure that primary treatment is at the necessary high level of clinical judgment and technical skill. In so far as hand injuries are concerned the authors give a very clear and concise account of the levels to which judgment and technical craftsmanship must reach to achieve the desired results in a very wide variety of injuries to the delicate mechanism of the hand.

The second edition is again clearly written and beautifully illustrated. It is only 27 pages longer than the first edition and happily it is confined to hand injuries alone and has not been extended to other ramifications of hand surgery. Compared with the first edition there are a few new techniques described, notably that of tendodesis to achieve early stability of the terminal interphalangeal joint in some types of profundus tendon division, and there are some new illustrations. One illustration of outstanding practical importance is Fig. 41 on p. 72, showing, I believe for the first time, a very common fault in the application of plaster to rest an injured hand during the early phase of healing.

The second edition confirms one's opinion of the original work. This is without doubt the most outstanding thesis on the surgery of acute hand injury. In addition, it is a very considerable contribution to the principles of the surgery of repair outside the hand.

WILLIAM GISSANE.

The campaign for female emancipation produced some formidable women. They seem to us to-day, looking back over our shoulders, to have had something of the impersonal and heroic proportions of figures in mythology. The woman doctor who is the subject of Cecil and Celia Manson's biography, Dr. Agnes Bennett, achieved as much as any more militant suffragette in her fight for the recognition of women doctors and in her long campaign against maternal, infant, and neonatal mortality in New Zealand, and yet she remained a vivid and strictly human personality. Her life spanned an idyllic childhood on Sydney's North Shore (beachcombing for candles from the anchored windjammers and baking oysters on the rocky shore), medical training in Edinburgh, a long career in New Zealand broken by service in the first world war in Egypt, the Balkans, and Great Britain, and later by a peacetime visit to Russia. Her so-called retirement was spent in learning to fly at 66 in order to join the Flying Doctor Service, in signing on at 68 during the second world war as M.O. in a ship bound for Britain, and in answering, at 78, an emergency call for a doctor to be flown to the remote community on the Chatham Islands. To the great pleasure of all her friends she was awarded the O.B.E. in 1948. At the age of 88, she took up nuclear physics. In her student days at Sydney University she was deeply impressed by the casket scene in The Merchant of Venice, and, she said, "From then on I only wanted the courage to give and hazard all, to choose the leaden casket, to give rather than to get." Few people can have interpreted a life motto so faithfully. (Dr. Bennett died on November 30 last year, aged 88.) (Michael Joseph; 189+xv pp.; index; price 18s.)

# **BOOKS RECEIVED**

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

Pages in the History of Chest Surgery. By Rudolf Nissen, M.D., and Roger H. L. Wilson, M.B., B.Chir. (Pp. 166+vii; illustrated. 60s.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications Ltd. 1960.

Surgical Treatment of Unequal Extremities. By Charles Weer Goff, M.D. (Pp. 184+ix; illustrated. 88s.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications Ltd. 1960

The Anatomy of Psychotherapy. Systems of Communication and Expectation. By Henry L. Lennard and Arnold Bernstein, with Helen C. Hendin, M.D., and Erdman B. Palmore. (Pp. 209 + xviii; illustrated. 48s.) New York: Columbia University Press. London: Oxford University Press. 1960.

Cancer. Progress Volume 1960. Edited by Ronald W. Raven, O.B.E.(Mil.), T.D., F.R.C.S. (Pp. 242+xv+16; illustrated. 60s.) London, Toronto, Sydney, Wellington, Durban: Butterworths. 1960.

One of Those Children. By Elizabeth Neal. (Pp. 198. 18s.) London: George Allen and Unwin Ltd. 1960.

A System of Medical Hypnosis. By Ainslie Meares, M.D., B.Agr.Sc., D.P.M. (Pp. 484+xvii. 70s.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1960.

The Biologist's Handbook of Pronunciations. By Edmund C. Jaeger, D.Sc. (Pp. 317+xvi; illustrated. 54s.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. 1960.

Sleeplessness. By F. R. C. Casson, M.B., B.S., D.P.M. (Pp. 87; illustrated. 4s.) London: W. and G. Foyle, Ltd. 1960. The Hand. A Manual and Atlas for the General Surgeon. By Henry C. Marble, M.D., F.A.C.S. (Pp. 207+vii; illustrated. 49s.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1960.

Proceedings of the Pneumoconiosis Conference held at the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, 1959. Edited by A. J. Orenstein, M.D., D.Sc., LL.D., F.R.C.P. (Pp. 632+xvi; illustrated. £6.) London: J. and R. Churchill. 1960.

The Queen Charlotte's Text-book of Obstetrics. By Members of the Clinical Staff of the Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, London. Tenth edition. (Pp. 533+xi; illustrated. 50s.) London: J. and A. Churchill Ltd. 1960.

Atlas of Human Anatomy. Volume 1: Osteology, Syndesmology, Myology. Eighth edition. Edited by Ferene Kiss, M.D. and Janos Szentagothai, M.D. (Pp. 297; illustrated. No price.) Budapest: Publishing House of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. 1960.

Atlas of Human Anatomy. Volume 2: Splanchnology, Endocrine Glands, Heart. Eighth edition. Edited by Ferenc Kiss, M.D., and Janos Szentagothai, M.D. (Pp. 214; illustrated. No price.) Budapest: Publishing House of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. 1960.

Atlas of Human Anatomy. Volume 3: Nervous System, Vascular System, Lymphatic System, Sense Organs. Eighth edition. (Pp. 289; illustrated. No price.) Budapest: Publishing House of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. 1960.

Your First Baby. By Daphne F. R. Gale, S.R.N., R.S.C.N., S.C.M. With a preface by Margaret J. Smyth, C.B.E., S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V.Cert. (Pp. 62+ix; illustrated. 2s. 6d.) London: English Universities Press Ltd. 1960.

Radiography for the Veterinary Surgeon. By R. N. Smith, Ph.D., F.R.C.V.S. (Pp. 68; illustrated. 13s. 6d.) Bristol: John Wright and Sons, Ltd. 1960.

The Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. Calendar 1960-1961. (Pp. 308+v. 20s.) Cambridge: W. Heffer and Sons, Ltd. 1960.

Origins of Alcoholism. By William McCord and Joan McCord, with John Gudeman. (Pp. 193+xi. 35s.) London: Tavistock Publications Ltd. 1960.

Some Reflections on Genius and other Essays. By Russell Brain. (Pp. 192+vii; illustrated. 30s.) Pitman Medical Publishing Co. Ltd. 1960.

Praktikum der Immunhämatologie. By Professor Dr. med. H. H. Hennemann. (Pp. 148+xii; illustrated. DM. 19.80.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1960.

2nd Ruscoe Clark Memorial Lecture.—Sir HARRY PLATT, "The Care of the Injured," April 25, 6 p.m., Royal College of Surgeons of England. Admission free without ticket.

Royal Society of Health.—Health congress, Blackpool, April 24-28. Details from the Society, 90 Buckingham Palace Road, London S.W.1.

5th Congress of International Academy of Legal and Social Medicine.—Vienna, May 22-27. Details from Congress Secretariat, 2 Sensengasse, Vienna 9, Austria.

European Meeting: "Tumour Biology."—Warsaw, May 22-27. Organized by Cancer Research Commission of International Union against Cancer, and sponsored by Polish Oncological Society and Medical Department of Polish Academy of Sciences. Details from Professor Dr. O. Mühlbock, 108 Sarphatistrat, Amsterdam, Holland.

3rd World Congress of Psychiatry.—Montreal, Canada, June 4-10, 1961, held at the invitation of McGill University and under the auspices of the Canadian Psychiatric Association. Details from General Secretary, 3rd World Congress of Psychiatry, 1025 Pine Avenue West, Montreal 2, P.Q., Canada.

7th International Life Assurance Medicine Congress.— Lisbon, June 15-18. Details from Dr. G. C. PETHER, 3 Lombard Street, London E.C.3, or Dr. I. D. MACDONALD, 7 Princes Street, London E.C.2.

#### **NEW ISSUES OF SPECIALIST JOURNALS**

The journals listed below are obtainable from the Publishing Manager, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London W.C.1.

#### BRITISH JOURNAL OF INDUSTRIAL MEDICINE

Background to Byssinosis in Ulster. James A. Smiley.
Pulmonary Fibrosis in Workers Exposed to Finely Powdered Aluminium.
John Mitchell, G. B. Manning, M. Molyneux, and Ronald E. Lane.
Pulmonary Fibrosis in a Worker Using an Aluminium Powder. J. Warren

Pulmonary Fibrosis in a vyorker Using an Arabanasa Account of the Control of the

Stallybrass.
Christmas Disease and Coal-mining. C. B. Kerr.
Methyl Bromide Poisoning. E. M. Rathus and P. J. Landy.
Coproporphyrinuria in Groups of Workers as an Index of Inorganic Lead
Absorption. R. L. Zielhuis.
Erosion of the Teeth Due to Sulphuric Acid in the Battery Industry. D.
Malcolm and E. Paul.
Observations on the Urinary Protein of Men Exposed to Cadmium Dust and
Fume. J. C. Smith, Agnes R. Wells, and J. E. Kench.
Miscellanea.
Book Reviews.

Book Reviews.

Volume 18, No. 1. (Quarterly; £3 annually.)

#### **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, February 6

Dental and Medical Society for the Study of Hypnosis.—At Royal Society of Medicine, 8 p.m., symposium.

Marlborough Day Hospital.—8.15 p.m., Dr. Philip Hopkins: Health Services in the U.S.S.R. A coloured cine film will follow.

Postgraduate Medical School of London.—4 p.m., Dr. Brian Ackner: Psychiatric Aspects of the Menopause.

#### Tuesday, February 7

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Belmont Hospital Clinical Society.—8 p.m., Dr. T. F. Main: Mothers with Children in a Psychiatric Hospital.

British Postgaaduate Medical Federation.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Professor R. Knox: Contrasting Patterns of Drug Resistance in Tubercle Bacilli and Staphylococci.

Institute of Dermatolox.—5.30 p.m., Dr. I. Muende: Cutaneous Granulomata, Excluding Tuberculosis and Syphilis.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL COLLEGE.—5 p.m., Professor C. H. Stuart-Harris: Poliomyediis

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ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Milroy Lecture by Dr. H. G. Miller: Accident Neurosis.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Erasmus Wilson Demonstration by Dr. L. Bitensky: Cirrhosis of the Liver.

St. Mary's Hospital Medical School.—At Lecture Theatre, Wright-Fleming Institute, 5 p.m., Miss Josephine Barnes: Genital Tuberculosis.

WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NEUROLOGY AND NEUROSURGERY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. J. Minon: Ocular Manifestations in Clinical Neurology (Part I).

#### Wednesday, February 8

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Cambridge Society For the Study of Comparative Medicine.—At Lecture Theatre, School of Veterinary Medicine, Madingley Road, Cambridge, 8.30 p.m., discussion to be opened by Mr. R. W. Butler, Dr. M. Yealland, Mr S. W. Douglas, and Colonel J. Hickman: Disorders of the Intervertebral Disc.

Eugenics Society.—At 26 Portland Place, London W., 5 p.m., Galton Lecture by Sir Robert Platt, P.R.C.P.: Inherited Disease in Man.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY .- 5.30 p.m., Dr. A. Tickner: Collagen and

Ground Substances of the Chest.—5 p.m., Mr. J. R. Belcher: Restenosis of the Mitral Valve.

INSTITUTE OF URGLOGY.—4.30 for 5 p.m., Dr. S. B. Osborn: Radiotherapy

INSTITUTE OF UROLOGY.—4.30 for 5 p.m., Dr. S. B. Osborn: Radiotherapy in Urology.

LISTERIAN SOCIETY.—At Lecture Theatre, King's College Hospital Medical School, 8.30 p.m., Dr. Glyn Daniel, Ph.D.

MANCHESTER MEDICAL SOCIETY: SECTION OF PATHOLOGY.—At Manchester Medical School (Large Anatomy Theatre), 5 p.m., Presidential address by Dr. G. B. Manning: Aspects of Poisoning.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—2 p.m., Dr. J. Poole: Clots and Thrombi

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OVAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—5.15 p.m., Dr. C. H.
Burnett (North Carolina): Vitamin D Resistant Rickets.

ORKSHIRE SOCIETY OF ANAESTHETISTS.—At General Infirmary at Leeds,
8.15 p.m., Dr. T. N. P. Wilton: Anaesthesia for Bronchoscopy. YORKSHIRE SOCIETY

#### Thursday, February 9

ALFRED ADLER MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At 11 Chandos Street, W., 8 p.m., Dr. Charles Bard: Personal Factors in the Causation of Industrial Accidents. BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE: SECTION OF PSYCHIATRY.—8 p.m., Dr. Denis Leigh: Ammesia as a Criminal Defence.

BRITISH POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL FEDERATION.—At London School of Hygiene and Iropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Dr. L. H. Collier: Trachoma and Inclusion Blennorrhoea.

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HUNTERIAN SOCIETY.—At Savoy Hotel annual dinner.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. A. J. King: Skin Manifestations of Treponematoses II.

LIVERPOOL MEDICAL INSTITUTION.—Afternoon clinical meeting at Royal Southern Hospital.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Professor Ray Farquharson: Aspects of Pituitary Disorders.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—5 p.m., Milroy Lecture by Dr. H. G. Miller: Accident Neurosis.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Arris and Gale Lecture by Mr. P. H. Golding-Wood: Autonomic Surrety of the Ear. Nose and

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ST. Andrews University.—At Physiology Department Lecture Theatre, 5 p.m., Professor A. Macdonald: The Adenoviruses.

ST. GFORGE'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5 p.m., Dr. Denis Williams: postgraduate demonstration in neurology.

#### Friday, February 10

BELFAST: ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL.—At Institute of Clinical Science, Grosvenor Road, Belfast, 4.30 p.m., Dixon Lecture by Dr. I. S. Ravdin: Chemotherapy—As a Cure for Cancer.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. R. H. Marten: clinical

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INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., clinical demonstration by Dr. K. M. Citron.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. William McKenzie: Surgery of the Stapes.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—(1) 10 a.m., Dr. A. G. Hardy: Management of Spinal Injuries (2) 4 p.m., Dr. E. N. Rowlands: Some Disorders of Gastro-intestinal Motility.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

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BIRMINGHAM REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.—W. A. Ker, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.M., Whole-time Consultant Psychiatrist, to Mid-Staffs Mental Group (with duties also in Wolverhampton Group); W. F. Rogers, M.D., Whole-time Consultant Physician with experience in Geriatrics to Stoke-on-Trent Group of Hospitals; W. S. A. Allan, M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.P.Ed., Whole-time Consultant Pathologist to Wolverhampton Group of Hospitals; G. C. Kanjilal, M.B., B.S., D.P.M., Whole-time Consultant Psychiatrist and Deputy Medical Superintendent to North Staffs (Mental) Group of Hospitals; R. S. Cowie, F.R.C.S.Ed., F.R.F.P.S., Part-time Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon to Shrewsbury group of hospitals and Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital, Oswestry.

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HARRISON, RAYMOND, M.B., Ch.B., D.O., Assistant Ophthalmic Surgeon, Manhattan Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, New York.

# BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

Brailsford.—On January 28, 1961, at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, James Frederick Brailsford. M.D., F.R.C.P., of 20 Highfield Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, aged 72.

Dick.—On January 11, 1961, at West Park House, Wick, Caithness, George Dick. M.B., Ch.B.

Grace.—On January 4, 1961, in a London hospital, John Johnston Grace, M.B., F.R.C.S.
Hakim.—On January 5, 1961, Mohammad Sherif Hakim, M.B., B.S., D.P.H., D.T.M., of 126 Norwood Road, London S.E.

Hermitte.—On January 9, 1961, at 20 Richmond Mansions, 250 Old Brompton Road, London S.W., Louis Constant Daniel Hermitte, M.B., Ch.B., D.T.M.&H., of Seychelles Islands.

Horan.—On January 5, 1961, at Ashfield, Chepstow, Mon., Maurice Horan, F.R.C.S.Ed.

Lindfield.—On January 9, 1961, at Guy's Hospital, London S.E., Robert Ironside Lindfield, F.R.C.S.Ed.

McGiffin.—On January 8, 1961, at Exmouth, Robert Hunter McGiffin, O.B.E., M.B., B.Ch., Surgeon Captain, R.N., retired, of 20 Archery Square, Walmer, Kent.

Stephenson.—On December 30, 1960, Cyril Ernest Rennie Stephenson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of 43 Parkway Drive, and 8 Strouden Avenue, Bournemouth, Hants.

Watson.—On January 3, 1961, at Stirling, William Linton Watson, O.B.E., L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., L.R.F.P.S., L.D.S., Colonel, I.M.S., retired, of Kilmore, Bridge of Allan, Stirlingshire, aged 77.