

the important role which anoxia may play is emphasized by van den Brenk.

The typography and production of the volume are excellent. It is regrettable that a gestation period of 12 months must be reckoned normal by present-day standards.

J. W. BOAG.

MIND, BODY, AND THE G.P.

Psychophysiologic Approach in Medical Practice. By William W. Schottstaedt, M.D. (Pp. 352. 60s.) Chicago: The Year Book Publishers, Inc. London: Interscience Publishers, Ltd. 1960.

I do not know if anyone can keep up with the flow of publications on even any single subdivision of a scientific subject such as psychological medicine. Nor do I know to what extent works on this subject from across the Atlantic are written to supply a need, or to what extent they are produced by way of theses or of self-justification. Tremendous, too, is the dominance of fashion in American psychiatry: I do not know whether the wave of exploitation of poor Sigmund Freud's theories is still rushing up the American shore, or whether it is withdrawing at last to the sound of hissing and rustling, as waves do.

This book is written by an associate professor in the University of Oklahoma to introduce students and graduates to psychological and somatic actions and interactions as they may be met in general practice—clearly a useful object. It is not Freudian, so it is not in conformity at least with yesterday's fashions. It is a sincerely written book and is full of information and illustration on the simple meanings of physiological mechanisms, constitutional make-up, mental and emotional mechanisms, and conflict. Its last chapters are on interviewing, and its first one is on stress—surely something of a plunging in at the deep end?

One thing is certain, however. Much good effort in America is spoilt by verbosity, and this book is no exception. It does not take the form, in this case, of the polysyllabic logorrhoea of those who are seeking to impress; it is rather a voluminous or Teutonic long-windedness that makes an elementary manual of instruction take up more than 300 pages of not very readable stuff—hardly, I think, the vade-mecum elect of the psychologically inclined larval G.P.

Worthy, if diffuse, then, this work may be. But this is not all. Nowhere in all its pages is there any mention of projection mechanisms—displacement, yes, but projection, no. There is no mention whatever of all that vast sour labyrinth of thought processes that underlies the huge field of paranoid illness—surely almost a half of all that of abnormal psychology. Paranoid projections may not, perhaps, give rise to as many somatic symptoms as do the other mechanisms in abnormal psychology, yet to attempt to summarize mental mechanisms while ignoring projection really cannot be condoned, and a work that leaves it out cannot be regarded as a comprehensive study of its subject.

REGINALD BENNETT.

The autumn issue of *Mental Health*, published by the National Association for Mental Health, discusses artificial abortion. Those contributing are Mr. KENNETH ROBINSON, M.P., Dr. GLANVILLE WILLIAMS (reader in English law, Cambridge), Dr. J. V. O'SULLIVAN and Dr. LETITIA FAIRFIELD, who write jointly to represent the case against termination, especially from the Roman Catholic standpoint. In addition, an editorial summarizes the law regarding abortion in nine European countries. (Price 2s. 6d., by post 2s. 8d., from N.A.M.H., 39 Queen Anne Street, London W.1.)

BOOKS RECEIVED

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

Recent Developments in the Sterilisation of Surgical Materials. Report of a Symposium organized by the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain and Smith and Nephew Research Ltd., at the School of Pharmacy, University of London, April 11–13, 1961. (Pp. 232 +xii; illustrated. 30s.) London: Pharmaceutical Press. 1961.

General Pathology. Based on Lectures delivered at the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology, University of Oxford. Edited by Sir Howard Florey. Third edition. (Pp. 1,104+ xv; illustrated. £6.) London: Lloyd-Luke (Medical Books) Ltd. 1962.

L'Encefalogramma in Medicina del Lavoro. By Carlo Serra and Luigi Ambrosio. (Pp. 320; illustrated. L. 6,000.) Naples: Acta Neurologica. 1961.

Facetas de la Obstetricia en el Zulia. By Róbinson Suárez Herrera. (Pp. 265; illustrated. No price.) Maracaibo, Venezuela: University of Zulia. 1961.

Medical Aspects of Civil Aviation. Compiled by Dr. K. Vaandrager. (Pp. 19.) Obtainable from Publications Department (AR), KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Time and Life Building, New Bond Street, London W.1. 1961.

Lecture Notes on Diseases of the Ear, Nose, and Throat. By E. M. Miles Foxen, F.R.C.S., D.L.O. (Pp. 186+x; illustrated. 18s. 6d.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1961.

Recognizing the Depressed Patient. With Essentials of Management and Treatment. By Frank J. Ayd, jun., M.D. (Pp. 138+vi; illustrated. \$3.75.) New York and London: Grune and Stratton. 1961.

The Use of Radioisotopes in Clinical and Experimental Investigations. Edited by V. K. Modestov. (Pp. 216; illustrated. 56s.) Jerusalem: Program for Scientific Translations. 1961.

Speech Disorders. Principles and Practices of Therapy. By M. F. Berry and J. Eisenson. (Pp. 573+vii; illustrated. 63s.) London: Peter Owen. 1962.

Leitfaden und Atlas der Laparoskopie. By Werner Siede and Hans Schneider. (Pp. 94; illustrated. DM. 48.) München: J. F. Lehmanns Verlag. 1962.

Arthritis and You. By James W. Brooke, M.D. (Pp. 150 21s.) New York: Harper and Brothers. London: Available through Hamish Hamilton. 1961.

The Crisis in American Medicine. Edited by Marion K. Sanders. (Pp. 149+x. 30s.) New York: Harper and Brothers. London: Available through Hamish Hamilton. 1961.

The Human Amnion and Chorion. By Gordon Bourne, F.R.C.S.(Eng.), M.R.C.O.G. (Pp. 276+xi; illustrated. 45s.) London: Lloyd-Luke (Medical Books) Ltd. 1962.

Modern Problems of Nutrition. II. Edited by J. C. Somogyi. (Pp. 180; illustrated. Sw. fr. 34.) Basle, New York: S. Karger. 1962.

Physician. Healer and Scientist. By Dana W. Atchley. (Pp. 129+xi. 26s.) New York and London: The Macmillan Company. 1961.

Atlas of Surgical Operations. By Robert M. Zollinger and Elliott C. Cutler. Illustrated by Mildred B. Coddling and Paul Fairchild. Third edition. (Pp. 237+x. £6 15s.) New York and London: The Macmillan Company. 1961.

Hemiplegic Cerebral Palsy in Children and Adults. A Report of an International Study Group, Wills Hall, Bristol, 1961. (Pp. 209; illustrated. 20s.) London: Medical Advisory Committee of the National Spastics Society. 1961.

Experimental Neurology. By Paul Gles, M.A., D.Phil.(Oxon.), M.D.(Bonn). (Pp. 532+xii; illustrated. 75s.) Oxford: Clarendon Press, Oxford University Press. 1961.

The American Degree. A Comparative Study for British Students. By Bernard Mellor. Second edition. (Pp. 65+iv. 7s. 6d.) Hong Kong University Press. London: Oxford University Press. 1961.

Antibiotics and Sulphonamides in Paediatrics. By Joseph Ungar and Leonard Haas. (Pp. 149+vi. 15s.) London, New York, Toronto: Oxford University Press. 1962.

Demonstration of paediatric cases, Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Glasgow; lunch at Grand Hotel; 2.30 p.m., business meeting, Roxburgh Suite at hotel. Details from Dr. MAUD P. MENZIES, Rosmaris, 34 Rhannan Road, Glasgow S.4.

British Postgraduate Medical Federation.—Weekend course in general medical subjects, March 3, 4, Joyce Green Hospital, Dartford. Details from Dr. H. C. CALVEY, Chest Clinic, The West Hill Hospital, Dartford, Kent.

Grey Turner Surgical Club.—Meeting, March 5-7, St. Thomas's Hospital. Dinner, March 6, St. Ermin's Hotel, Caxton Street, London S.W.1.

Institutes of Urology and Obstetrics and Gynaecology.—Combined week-end course in gynaecology and urology, March 9-11. See *Journal* advertisement p. 62.

Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.—Whole-day scientific meeting, "Renal Function in Pregnancy, with Special Reference to Pyelonephritis," March 23. Details and registration forms from Secretary, R.C.O.G., 27 Sussex Place, London N.W.1. All registered medical practitioners eligible.

Glasgow Postgraduate Medical Board and R.F.P.S.—Course of clinical instruction in medicine for postgraduate students. See advertisement p. 62.

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 HEART JOURNAL

- Evolution of Graphic Symbols for Cardiovascular Sounds and Murmurs. Harold N. Segall.
- Angiography of the Coronary Circulation in Living Dogs using Timed Diastolic Injections. George Michell and Keith Jefferson.
- Assessment of Mitral Regurgitation by Dye Dilution Curves. Leon Resnekov.
- Venous Distensibility of the Hand during Valsalva's Manoeuvre. W. E. Watson.
- Congenital Aortic Stenosis: Operative Indications and Surgical Results. Martin H. Lees, Anne J. Hauck, George W. B. Starkey, Alexander S. Nadas, and Robert E. Gross.
- The Risks of Dental Extraction during Penicillin Treatment. Lawrence P. Garrod and Pamela M. Waterworth.
- The Krypton⁸⁵ Inhalation Test for the Detection of Left-to-Right Shunts. Eugene Braunwald, Allan Goldblatt, Robert T. L. Long, and Andrew G. Morrow.
- In Defence of the Intrinsic Deflection. Gordon E. Dower.
- Bidirectional Tachycardia. G. C. Sepaha, S. R. Jain, and C. R. Bhandari.
- The Normal Resting Cardiac Output: Serial Determinations by a Dye Dilution Method. Thomas A. Bruce and John P. Shillingford.
- Heart Disease in the Zulu: Especially Cardiomyopathy and Cardiac Infarction. J. E. Cosnett.
- Multiple Non-Luetic Aneurysms in Young Nigerians. D. Gordon Abrahams and W. Peter Cockshott.
- Thrombocytopenia in Congenital Heart Disease. D. Vreel, S. J. Mazurkic, E. K. Blackburn, J. L. Emery, S. Varadi, and L. Wolman.
- Further Studies of High Altitude Pulmonary Oedema. H. Hultgren, W. Spickard, and C. Lopez.
- The Spatial Vectorcardiogram in Proven Atrial Septal Defect. Harry Abramson and C. R. Burton.
- Abnormalities in the Pulmonary Arterioles in Some Cases of Coronary Artery Disease. A. J. Thomas, W. R. L. James, and G. M. Owen.

Proceedings of the British Cardiac Society.
Case Reports
A Case of Right Atrial Myxoma with Special Reference to an Unusual Phonocardiographic Finding. John Barlow, Denis Fuller, and Michael Denny.

Cor Biloculare. A. W. McCracken.

Volume 24, No. 1. (Bi-monthly; £4 4s. 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 19

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—4 p.m., Dr. Brian Ackner: Attempted Suicide.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Ophthalmology Lecture by Professor Arnold Sorsby: Retinitis Pigmentosa: Problems and Prospects.

Tuesday, February 20

BRITISH POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL FEDERATION.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Dr. C. C. Booth: Absorption from the Small Intestine.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. K. V. Sanderson: Experimental Carcinogenesis in Relation to Skin Cancer.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. Kenneth McLay: Tests of Acoustic Function I.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL COLLEGE.—5 p.m., Professor Sheila Sherlock: Jaundice.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—(1) 5 p.m., Ophthalmology Lecture by Professor Arnold Sorsby: Statutory Certification of Blindness, 1920-1960. (2) 5 p.m., Erasmus Wilson Demonstration by Dr. Lucille Bitensky: Lysosomes—A New Concept of Liver Cell Damage.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—At Wright-Fleming Institute Theatre, 5 p.m., Mr. George Pinker: Abdominal Pain in Pregnancy.

Wednesday, February 21

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE: MIDLAND MEDICAL SOCIETY SECTION.—8.30 p.m., Mr. G. Slaney: Recent Advances in the Surgery of Arterial Diseases.

CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF COMPARATIVE MEDICINE.—At Lecture Theatre, School of Veterinary Medicine, Madingley Road, 8.30 p.m., discussion to be opened by Mr. P. K. C. Austwick, Mr. W. Parish, Dr. C. H. Whittle: Fungal and Related Diseases.

HARVEIAN SOCIETY OF LONDON.—8.15 p.m., Professor R. Janker (Bonn, West Germany), Professor K. J. Franklin, F.R.S., Mr. Derek Martin: Cineradiography and Photography in Medicine.

INSTITUTE OF DERMATOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Dr. H. Haber: Clefts, Vesicles, and Bullae.

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. N. Lloyd Rusby: Collagen Diseases of the Lung.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. Kenneth McLay: Tests of Acoustic Function II.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—2 p.m., Mrs. G. M. Bonser: The Relation of Structure, Secretory Function, and Involution to Disease of the Breast.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL.—5.15 p.m., Dr. J. P. Shillingford: Auscultation of the Heart.

Thursday, February 22

BIRMINGHAM MEDICAL INSTITUTE: SECTION OF ANAESTHETICS.—8.15 p.m., registrars' evening.

BRITISH POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL FEDERATION.—At London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 5.30 p.m., Professor W. S. Bullough: The Replacement and Repair of Adult Tissues.

FACULTY OF HOMOEOPATHY.—5 p.m., Dr. Richard A. F. Jack: Homoeopathy in General Practice.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. Kenneth McLay: Tests of Vestibular Function I.

LIVERPOOL MEDICAL INSTITUTION.—8 p.m., symposium: The Assessment of Respiratory Disability. Speakers, Dr. Colin Ogilvie, Dr. C. P. Aber, Dr. J. Meecham, and Dr. W. S. Sutton.

LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At 11 Chandos Street, London W., 8.15 p.m., Dr. R. E. Bonham Carter: Treatment of Acute Cardiac Illness in the First Year of Life.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—5.30 p.m., Dr. Brian Barrett-Boyes (Auckland, New Zealand): Recent Developments in Heart-Lung Bypass.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—5 p.m., Hunterian Lecture by Professor G. H. McNab: A Study of Two Hundred Cases of Hydrocephalus Treated by Insertion of the Holter Valve.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL.—5.15 p.m., Dr. Maurice Partridge: Demonstration in Psychiatry.

Friday, February 23

INSTITUTE OF DISEASES OF THE CHEST.—5 p.m., Dr. F. H. Scadding: Clinical demonstration.

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—5.30 p.m., Mr. Kenneth McLay: Tests of Vestibular Function II.

KEIGHLEY AND DISTRICT MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Keighley and District Hospital, 8.30 p.m., Dr. G. M. Bonser: Cancer Hazards of a Chemical Age.

LIVERPOOL SOCIETY OF ANAESTHETISTS.—At Liverpool Medical Institution, 8 p.m., general meeting. Professor W. D. M. Paton: Theories of Action of Neuromuscular Blocking Agents.

MIDLAND CENTRE FOR NEUROSURGERY, Holly Lane, Smethwick, Birmingham.—8 p.m., Professor Paul Martin: Trigeminal Neuralgia.

PLYMOUTH MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Royal Naval Hospital, 8.30 p.m., clinical evening.

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF LONDON.—(1) 10 a.m., Professor A. G. R. Lowdon: Biliary Surgery, with Special Reference to Transduodenal Sphincterotomy; (2) 4 p.m., Dr. E. J. Ross: Aldosterone.

PROPOSED BRITISH GERIATRIC NURSES ASSOCIATION.—At St. John's Hospital, Battersea, S.W., 2 p.m., preliminary meeting.

Sunday, February 25

INSTITUTE OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—10.15 a.m., Mr. William McKenzie: Common Ear, Nose, and Throat Conditions.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Osmond.—On January 31, 1962, at Southmead Hospital, Bristol, to Anne (formerly Welsh), and Dr. D. G. Osmond, a brother for Roger—Martin Henry.

Porteous.—On January 30, 1962, at Liverpool Maternity Hospital, to Dr. Myfanwy (formerly Roberts), and Dr. Colin Porteous, another son.

DEATHS

Allan.—On January 24, 1962, in a nursing-home, Aberdeen, Edith Annie Allan, M.B., Ch.B., of 22 Stamperland Crescent, Clarkston, Renfrewshire.

Anthonsz.—On January 25, 1962, at Campbelltown Cottage Hospital, Argyll, Edward Guy Anthonsz, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.T.M.&H., Lieutenant-Colonel, R.A.M.C., retired, of Seabank, Campbelltown, Argyll, aged 80.

Chalmers.—On January 21, 1962, at Shieldhall Hospital, Glasgow, Mary Chalmers (formerly Steven), M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., formerly of 46 Dalziel Drive, Glasgow.

Cowie.—On January 12, 1962, at 22 Chapel Street, Scunthorpe, Lincs, George Andrew Martin Cowie, L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., L.R.F.P.S., aged 53.

Hampson.—On January 12, 1962, at the Mount Cottage, Chirk, Denb, Travis Hampson, M.C., M.B., Ch.B.

Kelham.—On January 12, 1962, Bernard Harold Kelham, M.B., F.R.C.S., of Farnley Hey, Farnley Hey Road, Durham, aged 34.

Pridenau.—On January 12, 1962, at 33 Newlands Park, London S.E., Thomas Champernon Pridenau, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., aged 43.

Westlake.—On January 15, 1962, at Mannamead, 68 St. Leonards Road, Deal, Kent, Henry John William Jennings Westlake, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., J.P., aged 64.