

Finzi-Harmer type), and of some magnitude—for example, in treating laryngeal trauma. Such exuberance can be forgiven an enthusiast and undoubtedly the techniques will find their own level in due course.

There has been a recent move to extol radiography with contrast media (laryngography) as the definitive diagnostic and prognostic criterion, but this book shows how much more valuable in a visually accessible area are direct inspection with good technique, magnification, and selective biopsy.

MAXWELL ELLIS.

## Some Gynaecological Diseases

**Benign Diseases of the Vulva and Vagina.** By Herman L. Gardner, M.D. and Raymond H. Kaufman, M.D. (Pp. 359 + viii; illustrated. 21s.) London: Henry Kimpton. 1969. Saint Louis: C. V. Mosby.

Many diseases of the vulva and vagina are not peculiar to these sites. Therefore parts of this book merely repeat descriptions to be found in standard textbooks of dermatology. A fairer assessment of worth must be based on the handling of a specialized and controversial topic such as vulval epithelial dystrophy. This subject is in fact well discussed, with correct emphasis on the need for multiple punch biopsies to decide the presence or absence of cellular atypism, on the importance of a general clinical examination to find causative factors, and on conservative treatment with prolonged follow-up. There is a

detailed and informative chapter on vaginal cysts, and the whole gamut of benign tumours of vulva and vagina is described.

The text generally is lucid, but some of the terminology is rather elaborate. For example, acrochordon is used as a title for the humble skin tag; a reader partial to a liqueur with his coffee might prefer to see a vaginal discharge described as pale green rather than chartreuse in colour. Most of the illustrations, including photomicrographs, are good, but hirsutes obscures some vulval lesions.

Overall, the book is written for the clinician rather than for the pathologist, but several chapters, such as those on infections, especially venereal diseases, should be of interest to both. The cost is high, but the authors do achieve their stated aim of providing much more information about vulval and vaginal diseases than is contained in general textbooks of gynaecology, and there are well chosen references.

A. S. WOODCOCK.

for the reader-student. There is no intention to cover the subject completely, nor to discuss the very latest areas of contention. References cited extend into 1968, and coverage of the literature is commendably adequate into 1966.

The author has selected a number of closely related topics, all of them concerned with "the immunogenetics of the cellular antigens responsible for that individual uniqueness which is clearly reflected in tissue incompatibility on transplantation." Inevitably much of the book is concerned with the mouse, and particularly with the principal histocompatibility locus, the H-2 locus, of that species. Early chapters discuss the methods available to the immunogeneticist. Then attention is focused on particular topics such as X-linked histocompatibility, tumour-specific antigens, the thymus-leukaemia antigenic system of the mouse, the "one gene—one antigen" concept, and allogeneic inhibition.

There is no indication that Dr. Lengerova is a golfer, except that her final chapter is the nineteenth, and is concerned with the warm shelter provided by the womb. There is, it seems, no single or simple explanation of why the histoincompatible fetus is permitted nine months' residence within the lumen of the uterus from which ordinary tissue allografts are promptly rejected.

This book is written by a superb teacher. It is well produced and easy to read. It will not go quickly out of date. The lack of a subject index and a glossary of terms is not serious because the table of contents is so informative, but the possibility of providing these in a second edition should be considered.

FRANCIS J. C. ROE.

## Histocompatibility and the "Nineteenth Hole"

**Immunogenetics of Tissue Transplantation.** By Alena Lengerova. (Pp. 270 + xv; 126s.) Amsterdam & London: North-Holland Publishing. 1969.

This volume is the sixteenth in a series of monographs bearing the general title *Frontiers of Biology*. As Professor T. M. Sonneborn explains in the preface, the book is in reality a series of beautifully lucid lectures

## Books Received

Books noticed here may be reviewed later.

**Brain Tumor Scanning with Radioisotopes.** Edited by Louis Bakay, M.D., F.A.C.S. (Pp. 217 + x; illustrated. \$19.50.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. 1969.

**Hazards of Handling Simians.** Proceedings of the 29th Symposium held at Brighton. 9-11 April 1969. Edited by F. T. Perkins, Ph.D. and P. N. O'Donoghue. (Pp. 268; illustrated. 45s.) London: Laboratory Animals Ltd. 1969.

**Subatmospheric Decompression Sickness in Man.** By D. I. Fryer. (Pp. 343; illustrated. No price given.) Slough: Technivision Services. 1969.

**Digitalis Intoxication.** By E. K. Chung, M.D. (Pp. 186 + xi; illustrated. 117s.) Amsterdam: Excerpta Medica. 1969.

**Life With the Mentally Sick Child.** By Phyllis R. Lacey. (Pp. 77 + xii; 15s. Flexi-cover, 25s. Hard-cover.) Oxford: Pergamon Press. 1970.

**A Student's Guide to Geriatrics.** 2nd edition. By Trevor H. Howell, F.R.C.P.Ed. (Pp. 212; 45s.) London: Staples Press. 1970.

**Care or Crime? Alternatives to Delinquent Behaviour.** By Martin Silberman. (Pp. 101. 10s. 6d.) London: Royal London Prisoners' Aid Society. 1970.

**Pharmaceutical Handbook.** Incorporating the Pharmaceutical Pocket Book. 18th edition. Edited by R. G. Todd. (Pp. 702 + xv. 70s.) London: Pharmaceutical Press. 1970.

**Essentials of Human Embryology.** By S. M. Bhattacharya, M.B. and M. L. Kothari, M.B. (Pp. 176; illustrated. 15s.) Bombay: Kothari Book Depot. 1970.

**Methods in Microbiology.** Volume 3B. Edited by J. R. Norris and D. W. Ribbons. (Pp. 369 + ix. 100s.) London: Academic Press. 1969.

**Perspectives in Community Mental Health.** Edited by Arthur J. Bindman and Allen D. Spiegel. (Pp. 718 + xii. \$15.00.) Chicago, Illinois: Aldine Publishing. 1969.

**The Family and the Handicapped Child.** By Sheila Hewett. (Pp. 240. 55s.) London: George Allen & Unwin. 1970.

**Surgeons in the Field.** By John Laffin. (Pp. 306 + xii; illustrated. 50s.) London: J. M. Dent. 1970.

**Organisation and Management of Hospital Laboratories.** By A. P. Johnson, F.I.M.L.T. (Pp. 162 + x. 30s.) London: Butterworths. 1970.

**Bone Tumours in Man and Animals.** By L. N. Owen, F.R.C.V.S. (Pp. 201 + xii; illustrated. 70s.) London: Butterworths. 1970.

**Laboratory Techniques in Membrane Biophysics:** An Introductory Course. Edited by H.

Passow and R. Stämpfli. (Pp. 201 + viii; illustrated. \$9.40.) Berlin: Springer-Verlag. 1969.

**Social Psychiatry.** Vol. 47. Edited by F. C. Redlich, M.D. (Pp. 354 + xiii; illustrated. 200s.) Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins. Edinburgh: E. & S. Livingstone. 1969.

**Atlas of Medical Mycology.** 3rd edition. By Emma Sadler Moss, M.D. and Albert Louis McQuown, M.D. (Pp. 366 + ix; illustrated. 130s.) Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins. Edinburgh: E. & S. Livingstone. 1969.

**Marine Pharmacology.** By Morris H. Baslow, Ph.D. (Pp. 286 + xiv. 180s.) Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins. Edinburgh: E. & S. Livingstone. 1969.

**An Anthology of Ophthalmic Classics.** By James E. Lebensohn, M.D., Ph.D. (Pp. 407 + xx; illustrated. 150s.) Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins. Edinburgh: E. & S. Livingstone. 1969.

**Studies in Neurology.** By Sir Charles Symonds, K.B.E., C.B., D.M., F.R.C.P. (Pp. 344 + viii. 80s.) London: Oxford University Press. 1970.

**Law and the Surgical Team.** By Carl Erwin Wasmuth, M.D. and Carl Erwin Wasmuth, jun., Ph.D., LL.B. (Pp. 414 + ix. 130s.) Baltimore: Williams & Wilkins. Edinburgh: E. & S. Livingstone. 1969.

**Posterior Colpotomy. Surgical Technique and Clinical Experience.** By John A. Morris, M.D. (Pp. 57 + xv; illustrated. \$5.75.) Springfield: Charles C. Thomas. 1969.

their work in the university: Mr. G. P. Duffy (department of neurosurgery), Dr. D. W. Young (department of medicine), Dr. A. R. H. Hastie (division of pathological studies), Dr. E. C. Fox (department of dental health).

The title of assistant clinical tutor has been conferred on the following senior registrars (anaesthetics) for the period of their service with the United Birmingham Hospitals: Dr. J. D. Anderson, Dr. Minakshi Biswas, Dr. Jennifer D. Burton, Dr. B. C. Jones.

**Appointments.**—Dr. T. A. Betts (lecturer, department of psychiatry); Dr. Valerie Gracey (part-time research fellow, Institute of Child Health); Mr. J. D. Hamer (lecturer, department of surgery); Dr. P. M. Lea (lecturer, department of anatomy); Dr. I. Myskova (part-time research fellow, department of human genetics); Dr. C. W. Taylor (part-time senior research fellow, department of pathology).

At a Congregation on 12 December the following degrees were conferred:

M.D.—<sup>1</sup>Barbara M. Ansell, <sup>1</sup>E. A. Jones, E. L. Jones, D. C. Dukes, J. C. Gunn, <sup>1</sup>C. H. J. Swan.

Ph.D.—In the Faculty of Medicine: Catherine R. Hearn, J. A. Kiernan, K. M. Spyer, J. B. Whitfield, <sup>1</sup>J. F. Perez-Gonzalez.

M.B., Ch.B.—J. Calvert, I. B. Chait, D. I. Dowson, D. W. Higgins, S. Makanza, D. Zigmond.

The following degrees were conferred in *absentia* on students in the University College of Rhodesia by special warrant on 1 December 1969:

M.B., Ch.B.—<sup>1</sup>G. O. R. Holmgren, G. H. Adam, N. H. D. Atherstone, B. A. Bramston, <sup>1</sup>J. W. De Bene, A. J. Hammer, M. Jelbert, <sup>2</sup>A. S. Latif, M. Lock, <sup>2</sup>A. M. McKeag, H. J. Moffat, D. E. Monks, Juleiga Moosa, K. Mubwandarikwa, B. M. Patel, F. H. B. Renny, P. K. Runyowa, <sup>2</sup>D. M. Sanders, Patricia Whitlow.

<sup>1</sup>With honours.

<sup>2</sup> Distinction in obstetrics and gynaecology.

<sup>3</sup> Distinction in paediatrics.

<sup>4</sup> Distinction in surgery.

<sup>5</sup> Distinction in social medicine.

\* In absentia.

## ROYAL COLLEGES OF PHYSICIANS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

At a meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of London held on 29 January, at a meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh held on 3 February, and at a meeting of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow held on 2 February the following were elected Members of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom:

M. N. Abu Kamil, J. H. Addy, M. W. Adler, G. R. Ah-Moye, G. D. Ananda, A. Y. Amin-Addo, R. Arnold, P. J. August, R. R. Bailey, D. Ballantyne, D. L. Barnard, D. M. J. Barry, N. G. Basavaraju, A. Basten, M. Behan, I. V. Benn, E. D. Bennett, P. R. Betts, P. L. A. Bill, R. H. Briant, J. P. I. Bridge, J. M. Bridson, R. C. Brown, N. K. Burki, P. K. Buxton, Anne V. Camp, R. Canepa-Anson, T. M. H. Chakera, Nur-Ud-Din Chaudhary, F. G. F. Chin, G. S. H. Chung, J. H. Cummings, R. D. Darne, K. M. Das, R. L. Dawkins, G. P. Deutsch, R. A. J. Eady, D. W. Eccleston, S. A. En-Nimri, E. M. Eronini, D. J. Ewing, Adel G. Fam, I. W. Fawcett, P. S. L. Fernando, O. S. Frank, Ruth Friedman, K. W. M. Fulford, Anil R. Garde, A. D. N. Gelson, N. R. Ghosh, B. M. Goodge, J. R. Govan, B. Gibbin, M. A. Hai, D. R. Hall, B. D. W. Harrison, R. C. Heading, Belle M. Hedge, Vanessa J. Hester, R. C. Hilton, R. A. C. Hughes, R. K. Jacoby, M. H. Jafary, P. D. James, M. V. Jeeva Raj, Amina Jindani, D. I. Johnston, P. M. L. Jones, Vasantha K. K. Kamath, M. F. Karim, S. Katyal, R. A. Keenlyside, P. Kennedy, P. A. King Lewis, Parveen J. Kumar, Christine J. S. Lawrie, Alison Leach, R. Lendrum, Lian S. Lim, Sunil P. Liyanage, M. F. J. Lowry, S. A. Maier, V. J. McCann, I. R. McDougall, J. R. McGill, D. L. McLellan, W. J. W. Mallinson, A. W. Matthews, Madeline D. Mayne, J. E. Meyer, Cicely J. Millbank, H. C. Miller, M. Mishra, H. N. Misra, P. F. Mitchell-Hedges, S. Moss, J. G. Murtagh, Marigowda Nagaraju, E. S. Newlands, G. D. Ohlrich, R. E. Oliver, M. I. A. Omer, O. I. I. Osman, A. I. Pack, R. L. Page, H. M. Palmer, Soumitri Panigrahi, Hiranyak Paul, Sumana M. Perera, D. G. C. Presbury, J. Pritchard, A. Qayum, H. Qadir, Phimol Rajayabun, Leila Raju, Shammim-Ur Rehman, A. H. Reid, G. A. Richardson, R. P. A. Rivers, Margaret H. Rose, M. R. de C. Sadler, Mary C. Sanderson, N. Saravanapavanathan, Annapurniah S. Shankar, A. D. Sharma, R. N. Sharma, M. S. Shaukat, F. H. Sheena, J. Silver, M. Silverman, P. D. Snashall, Narendra K. Sood, Margaret E. Sprackling, S. A. Srivongse, A. P. Staz, M. S. Taher, S. Thirunavukkarasu, P. Torkington,

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At a meeting of the College held on 6 February, with Mr. J. R. Cameron, president, in the chair, the following were admitted as Fellows:

Ila S. Mody, M. C. Pauwaa, R. D. Ponniah, R. W. Sillar, N. Subramaniam, C. E. Wallace, J. R. Watson.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS

At meetings of the Council of the College held on 30 and 31 January the following award and elections were made:

EARDLEY HOLLAND GOLD MEDAL FOR 1970.—Professor Ian Donald.

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP.—Mrs. Margaret Black.

The following were elected to the Membership without examination and immediately to the Fellowship:

Zubaida Aziz, E. De Valera, A. K. Naim, L. Williams.

The following were elected to the Fellowship *ad eundem* under by-law 10a:

C. Astley Clarke, F. E. Hytten, Margaret Jackson, A. Ingleman Sundberg.

The following were elected to the Fellowship:

Farid Akashesh, M. P. Awon, A. L. Bacchari, Sreemanta K. Banerjee, Renukana Banerjee, S. L. Barron, M. K. Basu Mallick, N. A. Beischer, K. K. O. Bentsi-Enchill, Catherine I. Blyth, Florence J. G. Chouler, H. J. H. Claassens, S. B. Cooper, C. J. T. Craig, P. Curzen, A. M. Dawson, P. Deck, J. D. De Wet, C. Douglas-Smith, Sunit K. Dutt, A. A. Earn, P. M. Elliott, A. D. El-Tannir, L. A. J. Evans, Margaret E. Foley, J. G. Furber, R. G. Gudex, J. W. S. Harris, D. F. Hawkins, P. E. Jeffery, A. G. Jones, J. Joseph, Pullat Kalyanikutty, R. A. Kenihan, B. L. G. Kneale, D. J. Lancaster, K. B. Layton, W. Lees, G. C. Liggins, J. D. Llywelwyn-Jones, Sarah Macaskill, R. R. MacDonald, M. C. Michelow, A. K. Mitra, B. J. Murphy, R. N. Nag, U. N. Pathak, Clare Phillips, B. G. Pickles, Betty J. Poland, D. Puslet, J. G. Robertson, S. B. Robertson, M. Robinson, Heather J. S. Ross, J. P. Roux, J. M. Samson, N. H. W. Saxby, Dia Seiffeld, D. M. Sheppard, J. S. J. Skipper, J. M. Stewart, J. St. George, T. S. R. Train, Yin-Ki Tsao, F. L. A. Vernon, J. N. Ward, D. W. Warrell.

The following were admitted to the Membership:

Usama Abdulla, Adeeba Abdulnour, E. A. Abrok-wah, Begum Nilupher Astavi, M. L. Aggarwal, Zahida Ahmad, Razia Ahmed, M. S. Akhter, P. S. Allen, G. A. C. B. Anteson, Amathul Azeez, Bal-mookut Balgobin, J. D. Barcham, B. N. Barwin, Bikash C. Basu, I. J. Batwala, H. D. Bauer, Lutfun Begum, F. R. Bellingham, \*Phoonoo P. Bezuorah, Kailash Bhalla, Elsie G. M. Boes, W. P. Bradford, A. P. Briggs, D. S. Browne, J. E. F. Bruce, R. M. Buckley, D. C. MacD. Burns, Mildred J. Butterworth, Bulbul Chakrabarti, Yew F. Chan, C. Chandrakar, A. M. Z. Chang, Manashi Chatterjee, Swee Fah Cheah, M. Chi Eng Cheng, A. D. Clark, P. B. B. Clarke, P. Condos, Vanni Cremona, S. N. Daarforo, V. E. Davis, A. K. Debidas, J. F. Doyle, R. W. Duncan, Zahida K. Durran, A. G. B. Dutson, P. J. Edelman, R. P. Edwards, Gabriel O. Emodi, Patricia A. Ewing, J. R. Frank, O. S. Ghandour, G. L. D. Gibbons, P. G. Gillett, Valerie M. Greenhalgh, Dorothy G. Greening, W. D. Griffiths, A. A. H. Gunaratne, Claude-Albert Hakim, D. Hangchi, Kathleen S. Haworth, D. F. G. Hayes, R. Hegarty, I. Heller, J. R. Hockey, F. A. Howard, R. B. Hutcheson, E. U. Ibiam, P. N. Jennings, S. B. Johnson, D. N. Joyce, R. A. A. Kasrawi, Moiro B. Kelly, A. M. Khan, I. U. Khan, S. S. Khunda, D. E. Kowen, L. Kulshreshtha, J. E. R. Lart, Chun-Kong Lee, T. W. H. Lim, C. B. Lunan, Marjory G. McKinnon, Berna J. Madill, Vettivelu Maheswaran, J. Malvern, J. K. G. Mati, D. P. L. May, \*S. Mehta, J. S. de V. Metters, Kam-Hung, T. Mok, D. M. Mooney, M. P. Neary, S. Niaz, P. J. Nugent, P. C. Nweke, P. F. M. O'Connor, A. E. Owen, P. M. O. Oyolu, S. Y. Pan, K. J. Parikh,

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## Corrections

### L-Dopa

In the article on "Treatment of Parkinsonism with Laevo-Dopa" (7 February, p. 331), the second sentence of the summary should read "Nine were markedly and 13 moderately improved, and, of these, 11 patients continued to take the drug." These figures quoted in the first sentence of the second paragraph of the section on "Moderate Improvement" should also read "13" and "11," respectively. Cyclizine 50 mg. was administered three times daily.

## G.P.s and the District Hospital

We regret that the letter on this subject from Dr. H. W. Fladé (14 February, p. 436) was printed under the wrong heading.

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