

Views on health education are curiously mixed. While full and accurate accounts of the significance of illness to the patient appear one after another it is still thought necessary to deny to a young woman with multiple sclerosis knowledge of the name of her illness—"because she might read up something about it . . . and cause herself unnecessary alarm." The doctor evidently wishes to preserve some of the mystery of medicine, and he has a habit of "babying" and talking down to adult patients in conversation which may make some readers feel positively uncomfortable.

All will wish that circumstances could provide Dr. John with a secretary-receptionist to operate an appointments system and help with his office work, and he would be the first to appreciate the value of a separate examination room next to his consulting-room. In a book written to introduce general practice an account of the practice accommodation, and the use to which it is put, is a curious omission.

The book shows, above all else, the breadth and range of general practice and the way in which the family doctor has to switch his mind from one problem to another as completely unselected clinical material passes through his hands. The ability of the doctor to encompass such diverse subjects as orthopaedics, psychiatry, and obstetrics in consecutive consultations is well shown, and the student will see how this is combined with the essentially personal approach of the family doctor.

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BOOKS RECEIVED

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

Microbes in Action. A Laboratory Manual of Microbiology. By Harry W. Seeley, Jr., and Paul J. Vandemark. (Pp. 449+x; illustrated. 22s.) San Francisco and London: W. H. Freeman and Co. 1962.

Schizophrenia. By F. J. Fish, M.R.C.P., D.P.M. (Pp. 190+x. 32s. 6d.) Bristol: John Wright and Sons, Ltd. 1962.

Health, Radiation and Healing. By Michael Ash, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Pp. 162; illustrated. 18s.) London: Darton, Longman, and Todd. 1962.

Transactions of the Association of Life Insurance Medical Directors of America Seventieth Annual Meeting. Edited by Whitman M. Reynolds, M.D. Volume XLV. (Pp. 261+ix; illustrated.) New York City: Press of Recording and Statistical Corporation. 1962.

Calling the Laboratory. Edited by William A. R. Thomson, M.D. (Pp. 112+xi. 12s. 6d.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone Ltd. 1962.

L'Anémie et les Troubles du Métabolisme du Fer dans la Polyarthrite Chronique Rhumatisante. By Docteur Jean-Noël Bertrand. (Pp. 106.) Lyons: Imprimerie Bosc Frères. 1962.

Administration in Psychiatry. By Walter E. Barton, M.D. (Pp. 773+xvi. \$24.50.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. 1962.

Endogenous Inflammations of the Uveal Tract. By Alan C. Woods, M.D. Illustrations by Annette Smith Burgess. (Pp. 531+xviii; illustrated. £7 12s.) Baltimore, Maryland: The Williams and Wilkins Company. London: Baillière, Tindall and Cox. 1961.

Introduction to Immunochemical Specificity. By William C. Boyd. (Pp. 158+viii; illustrated. 60s.) New York and London: Interscience Publishers, a division of John Wiley and Sons. 1962.

La Cellulite et son Traitement. By Yves Kermorgant. (Pp. 71; illustrated. NF. 15.) Paris: Librairie Arnette. 1962.

Science and Health. Special Edition of *Science and Mankind*. Edited by Ludwik Rajchman. (Pp. 422; illustrated. 30s.) London: World Federation of Scientific Workers. 1961.

Costing and Efficiency in Hospitals. A Critical Survey of Costing as an Aid to the Management of Hospitals. By Charles Montacute, LL.B., D.P.A.(Lond.), F.I.M.T.A., F.H.A. (Pp. 289 +xv. 25s.) London, New York, and Toronto: Oxford University Press for the Nuffield Provincial Hospitals Trust. 1962.

Scientific Communications. Volume XL. January, 1961-January, 1962. (Pp. 577.) Amsterdam: Research Department, N. V. Koninklijke Pharmaceutische Fabrieken v/h Brocades-Steheman and Pharmacia. 1962.

Transactions of the American Ophthalmological Society. 97th Annual Meeting, 1961. (Pp. 535+xviii; illustrated. £5.) Toronto: University of Toronto Press. 1962.

Workbook in Pediatric Nursing. By Gladys N. Bonine, R.N., B.S.N.E., M.A., and Lois Pounds, R.N., B.S.N., M.Litt. (Pp. 99 +vii. 18s. 6d.) New York and London: Macmillan Company. 1962.

Combined Textbook of Obstetrics and Gynaecology. Edited by Sir Dugald Baird, B.Sc., M.D., LL.D.(Hon.) Glas., D.P.H., F.R.C.O.G. Seventh edition. (Pp. 975+xii; illustrated. £5 5s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone, Ltd. 1962.

Textbook of Operative Surgery. By Eric L. Farquharson, M.D., F.R.C.S.Ed., F.R.C.S.Eng. Second edition. (Pp. 949 +viii; illustrated. £6.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone, Ltd. 1962.

Injuries of the Knee Joint. By I. S. Smillie, O.B.E., Ch.M., F.R.C.S.Ed., F.R.F.P.S. Third edition. (Pp. 536+x; illustrated. 90s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone Ltd. 1962.

Typhoid Fever and Other Salmonella Infections. By R. L. Huckstep, M.A., M.D.(Cantab.), F.R.C.S.(Edin.), F.R.C.S.(Eng.). Illustrations by Peter G. Cull, M.M.A.A. (Pp. 334+xi; illustrated. 42s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone. 1962.

Oral and Dental Diseases. By Hubert H. Stones, with the collaboration of E. Desmond Farmer and Frank E. Lawton. Fourth edition. (Pp. 1,056+xx; illustrated. £6 10s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone. 1962.

Bedside Diagnosis. By Charles Seward, M.D., F.R.C.P.(Edin.). Sixth edition. (Pp. 499+xix. 30s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone, Ltd. 1962.

Anatomical Eponyms. By Jessie Dobson, B.A., M.Sc. Second edition. (Pp. 235. 30s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone, Ltd. 1962.

The Middle Years. The Change of Life. By Albert Sharman, M.D., D.Sc., Ph.D., F.R.C.O.G. (Pp. 71+xi. 6s. 6d.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone Ltd. 1962.

Histopathology. By Robertson F. Ogilvie, M.D., D.Sc., F.R.C.P.Ed., F.R.S.E. Sixth edition. (Pp. 514+xi; illustrated. 75s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone. 1962.

Cleft Palate and Speech. By Muriel E. Morley, D.Sc., F.C.S.T. Fifth edition. (Pp. 279+xviii; illustrated. 27s. 6d.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone Ltd. 1962.

Connective Tissue Massage. Theory and Therapeutic Application. By Maria Ebner. (Pp. 220+vii; illustrated. 30s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone, Ltd. 1962.

The House Physician's Handbook. By C. Allan Birch, M.D., F.R.C.P. Second edition. (Pp. 204+xi; 17s. 6d.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone Ltd. 1962.

A Bio-Bibliography of Florence Nightingale. Compiled by the late W. J. Bishop, F.L.A. Completed by Sue Goldie, B.A.Oxon. (Pp. 160; illustrated. 50s.) London: Dawsons of Pall Mall for the International Council of Nurses. 1962.

Diagnosis in Clinical Obstetrics. By G. Gordon Lennon, Ch.M., F.R.C.O.G., M.M.S.A. With a section on The Newborn by A. V. Neale, M.D., D.P.H., F.R.C.P. (Pp. 336+vii; illustrated. 45s.) Bristol: John Wright and Sons Ltd. 1962.

Pathophysiology and Therapy of Acute and Chronic Uraemia. By Loe Ping Kian, M.D. (Pp. 112; illustrated.) Djakarta, Indonesia: Kinta. 1962.

Symposium de Patología Vascular. Edited by Professor Dr. D. J. Leon Castro, with the collaboration of F. Duclos, A. Pelaez Gomez, M. Rios Mozo, P. Albert Lasierra, A. Zambrano Cortada, J. M. Bedoya, A. Bohorquez Salcedo, J. Conejo Mir, M. Zarapico Romero, and S. Garcia Diaz. May 19-June 2, 1961. (Pp. 115.) Seville: Sociedad Medica de Hospitales de Sevilla. 1962.

Contemporary Head Nursing. By Mary Helen Barabas, B.S., M.A., R.N. (Pp. 189+vii. 39s.) New York and London: The Macmillan Company. 1962.

Report for 1961. Subscription income amounted to £201,058—an increase of £16,493 over 1960, and £168,488 was paid or outstanding in claims—an increase of £12,969. The claims ratio to the subscription income was 80%—the same as in 1960. The address of the W.P.A.'s head office is Royal London Buildings, 42 Baldwin Street, Bristol 1.

Controlling Mosquitoes in Great Britain

One or more cases of malaria have occurred in more than half the counties of England since the end of the first world war, thus showing that under certain conditions English anopheles mosquitoes can become infected and transmit malaria, states the revised edition of the Ministry of Health's *Memorandum on Measures for the Control of Mosquito Nuisances in Great Britain*. The booklet gives details of anti-mosquito measures against the 33 species which have been recognized in Great Britain, less than one-third of which are serious pests. (H.M.S.O., price 2s. 6d. net.)

Nestlé and Guigoz Fellowships

Details of the Nestlé and Guigoz Fellowships (of NF. 10,000 each) for physicians who wish to do a year's work in the field of nutrition may be obtained from the International Children's Centre, Château de Longchamp, Bois de Boulogne, Paris 16, France. The closing date is March 1, 1963.

In Brief

- The United Kingdom Committee for the World Health Organization launched a national appeal on August 19 for funds to support the Malaria Eradication Campaign.
- The Pakistan Society of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics was founded recently. It hopes in due course to compile a pharmacopoeia for Pakistan.
- The film on childbirth, "To Janet, a Son?" made by Eothen Films in association with the Royal College of Midwives, has won the Chris Certificate Award in the Mental Health Category at the Tenth Annual Columbus (Ohio) Film Festival.
- Tenders are being called for by the New Zealand Stores Department for the supply of safety belts to be fitted to all Government vehicles. Approximately 6,000 cars, vans, and other vehicles will be fitted over a period of a year.

People in the News

► Mr. L. T. WILKINS, deputy director of research in the Home Office Research Unit, has been awarded a Ford Foundation Fellowship to spend a year in the United States with the President's Committee on Juvenile Delinquency in Washington. He will study and advise on youth programmes in Boston, Philadelphia, New Haven, St. Louis, Cleveland, Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Oakland, and will also act as informal consultant to federal, state, city, and Foundation officials dealing with youth problems.

COMING EVENTS

College of G.P.s' N.E. England Faculty.—Symposium, "Arthritis in General Practice," sponsored by Geigy Pharmaceutical Company, Ltd., September 30, Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle upon Tyne. Applications to Symposium Secretary, Roseworth Tower, Newcastle upon Tyne 3.

Liverpool University.—Extension course, "Genetic Factors in Disease," beginning October 2, Tuesdays 8-9.30 p.m. Details from Director of Extra-mural Studies, 9 Abercromby Square, Liverpool 7.

Centenary of Czech Medical Association, Prague.—Medical congress, Prague, November 12-17. Theme: "The Scientific and Conventional Foundation of the Czechoslovak Health Service." Foreign guests invited. Details from Czechoslovak Medical Society, J. E. Purkyne, 31 Sokolská, Prague 2, Czechoslovakia.

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

MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL ILLUSTRATION

The contents of the July issue are as follows:

- Frontispiece.
- The Risks of Life. Sylvia Treadgold.
- Photography of Infra-Red Luminescence. Part I. General Considerations. H. Lou Gibson.
- Fibre Optics. A Current Appraisal. Edward W. Bird.
- Illustrations of Insect Anatomy from the Beginning to the Time of Cuvier. R. B. Freeman.
- Illustrations as Analogues. R. McN. Alexander.
- Audi Partem Alteram.
- Equipment and Methods :

 - Broncolor Flash.
 - Gossen Lunasix.
 - Infra-Red Microscope.
 - Camera Intervalometer.
 - Automatic Microscope Camera.
 - Plastic 4×5 in. Film Holder.
 - Studio Stand.
 - Facility Photo File.
 - Cabinet Attachment for Slide Mounting Press.
 - Time-lapse Control Unit.

Abstracts.

Book Reviews.

Motion Pictures.

Reports and Proceedings.

Volume 12, No. 3. (Quarterly; £3 yearly.)

Societies and Lectures

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

Wednesday, August 29

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: SCHOOL OF CLINICAL RESEARCH AND POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL TEACHING.—3 p.m., clinical demonstration in dermatology by Dr. B. Woods: Creams, Ointments, and Pastes.

Friday, August 31

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

APPOINTMENTS

BIRMINGHAM REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.—K. Clark, M.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., Whole-time Consultant General Surgeon to Birmingham (Selly Oak) Group of Hospitals; R. T. D. Franklin, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Whole-time Consultant Child Psychiatrist to Birmingham Regional Hospital Board; R. E. Richardson, M.R.C.S., M.R.C.P., D.M.R.D., Whole-time Consultant Radiologist to Herefordshire Group of Hospitals; L. Zollman, M.D., D.P.M., Whole-time Consultant Psychiatrist to Burton-on-Trent Group of Hospitals; C. M. C. Potter, M.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., Part-time Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon (9 notional half-days weekly) to Wolverhampton Group of Hospitals; K. Baker, M.D., M.R.C.O.G., F.R.C.S.(Canada), F.A.C.S., Part-time Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist (9 notional half-days weekly) to Stoke-on-Trent Group of Hospitals; J. V. Halfpenny, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.M., Whole-time Assistant Psychiatrist (S.H.M.O.) to North Staffs (Mental A) Group of Hospitals.

NATIONAL HOSPITALS FOR NERVOUS DISEASES.—J. N. Blau, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.P., and P. C. Gautier-Smith, M.D., M.R.C.P., Consultant Physicians, jointly to the National Hospital, Queen Square, and Maida Vale Hospital; A. P. H. Randle, M.B., B.Chir., F.R.C.P.I., D.Phys.Med., Consultant Physician in charge of Department of Physical Medicine, the National Hospital, Queen Square, and Maida Vale Hospital.

BIRTHS

Craig.—On August 4, 1962, at Bristol Maternity Hospital, to Patricia (formerly O'Sullivan), M.B., B.S., and Kevin Craig, F.R.C.S., a son. Prineas.—On June 4, 1962, at Muswell Hill, London N., to Eileen (formerly Crisp) and John Prineas, M.R.C.P., M.R.C.P.Ed., a son—Peter.

DEATHS

- Allen.—On August 3, 1962, Ivan McDonald Allen, M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.A.C.P., of Wellington, New Zealand.
- Barry.—On August 5, 1962, Thomas St. John Barry, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of Ballynahinch House, Rockmills, Co. Cork, and formerly of Wallasey, Cheshire.
- Bennett.—On July 27, 1962, at Salisbury General Hospital, Southern Rhodesia, Vincent Bennett, M.B., B.Ch.
- Brodrifbb.—On August 3, 1962, at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Francis Arthur Brodrifbb, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of That Cottage, Bucklebury Common, Berkshire.
- Churchill.—On August 5, 1962, at Bexhill Hospital, Spencer Churchill, M.B., B.Chir., of 13 Boilebrooke Road, Bexhill-on-Sea.
- Richards.—On August 6, 1962, at his home at Ickenham, Middlesex, William Arthur Richards, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S., aged 67.
- Shepherd.—On August 2, 1962, at The Grange, Pulloxhill, Bedfordshire, Thomas Scott Shepherd, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S.Ed., in his 89th year.
- Thomson.—On August 9, 1962, at an Edinburgh nursing-home, Margaret Helen Torrance Thomson, M.B., widow of Dr. Henry Torrance Thomson, in her 91st year.
- Travers.—On August 8, 1962, peacefully after a long illness, Moira Travers (formerly Danaher), M.B., B.Ch.
- Weatherhead.—On August 8, 1962, at Galashiels Hospital, William Andrew Weatherhead, M.B., Ch.B.