

epidemiological discussions dominated the scene, there were also some important papers on physiological and clinical problems. Keen discussions took place between world authorities on problems to be dealt with in the future.

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MEDICAL LIBRARIANSHIP

Medical Librarianship. Principles and Practice. By John L. Thornton, A.L.A. (Pp. 153+viii. 15s.) London: Crosby Lockwood and Son Ltd. 1963.

As librarian of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College the author of this little book has had considerable experience of the problems connected with the administration of medical libraries and on the type of information that is most likely to set a reader happily on the way to finding an answer to his questions. A library must be judged by its service to readers, who are often mystified by the way answers are "pulled out of the hat" by a good librarian. The secret, as in conjuring, lies in the machinery behind the scenes—the indexes, catalogues, and other information

aids that the librarian has created or brought together for a specific purpose.

Though it is intended primarily for students in librarianship and new recruits to the staffs of medical libraries, this book will also be of interest to the many doctors who use medical libraries, and especially to those who undertake the office of honorary librarian in a hospital or medical society. They will find a good brief account of existing medical libraries and of libraries in hospitals, as well as a discussion of the materials which come within the librarian's province, its cataloguing and classification, and the bibliographies and other aids which must be consulted both in organizing the library and in subsequent service to readers.

The chapter on reference work could be very much extended, but clearly the author did not wish to overwhelm students with the complications of a task that can tax the abilities and knowledge of the most experienced.

The book is well produced and is priced to be within the means of the student.

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

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Modell und Erkenntnis. By Dr. Gerhard Straass. (Pp. 128. DM. 14.40.) Jena: Veb Gustav Fischer Verlag. 1963.

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We Met at Bart's. The Autobiography of a Physician. By Geoffrey Bourne. (Pp. 288; illustrated. 25s.) London: Frederick Muller Ltd. 1963.

Intersexuality. Edited by Claus Overzier. (Pp. 563+xiv; illustrated. £8 8s.) London and New York: Academic Press. 1963.

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