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THE JUNE 1968 ISSUE CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING PAPERS

The effects of muscle vibration in spasticity, rigidity, and cerebellar disorders KARL-ERIK HAGBARTH and GORAN EKLUND

Non-traumatic cerebrospinal fluid rhinorrhoea AYUB K. OMMAYa, GIOVANNI DI CHIRO, MAITLAND BALDWIN, and J. B. PENNYBACKER

Diabetes mellitus in Friedreich's ataxia RICHARD L. HEWER and NORMAN ROBINSON

Detection of ventricular landmarks by two dimensional ultrasonography GIUSEPPE ERBA and CESARE T. LOMBROS0

A-scan echoencephalography in measurement of the cerebral ventricles ANAND G. GARG and ALEX R. TAYLOR

Electrocardiographic abnormalities in patients presenting with strokes G. TOMKIN, R. P. K. COE, and JOHN MARSHALL

Serial fluorescein photography in acute retrobulbar neuritis EMANUEL S. ROSEN and BRYAN ASHWORTH

Observations on retinal haemorrhages in the newborn E. M. R. CRITCHLEY

Birth asphyxia and delta response to over-breathing in non-epileptic children J. FÉNYES, CH. GERGEly, and ILDIKÓ FARKAS

Contracture of phosphorylase deficient muscle R. GRUENER, B. MCARDLE, BRENDA E. RYMAN, and R. O. WELLER

Simple motor performance of patients with Parkinson's disease before and after a surgical lesion in the thalamus ETIENNE PERRET

Congenital pain asymbolia and auditory imperception B. O. OSUtonkUN, E. L. ODEKU, and L. LUZZATO

Book Reviews

Copies are still available and may be obtained from the PUBLISHING MANAGER,
BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, TAVISTOCK SQUARE, W.C.1, price 18s. 6d.
items in Goldstein's bibliography contained in the final chapter.


Even a glance at most textbooks of neurology and psychiatry reveals how sketchy is the information about stuttering, a condition which has been estimated to affect about 4% of children in this country. This volume—one of an international series of monographs in experimental psychology—reviews many of the more important experimental studies which have been carried out in recent years. The material is carefully chosen and clearly presented and should stimulate many clinicians to recognize the complex nature of this troublesome disability.


This, the seventh edition of Noyes' well-known psychiatric textbook, appears five years after its predecessor. During the interim it has been challenged by the appearance of at least two heavier rivals in the United States, but it should continue to hold its own in the middle-weight range. The structure of the book is unchanged: Dr. Lawrence Kolb has written one wholly new chapter entitled 'The Brain and Behaviour' and has added new material to several others. English-speaking students who approve of the American approach to psychiatry will remain satisfied. The others now have the pick of several alternative British texts.


This book provides a wide survey of the psychological aspects of pain, with particular reference to the more recent literature. At the same time attention is given to relevant neurological topics such as so-called 'insensitivity to pain' and phantom limb pain. According to the author, conceptual problems of pain are important for its better understanding, and it should be recognized as a concept which involves several types of description of 'pain behaviour'. These types of description include verbal reports and overt behaviour, general physiological responses, neurological studies, and affective states. While a different opinion from the author's might be taken on a number of points, this book is most welcome. It is judicious, balanced, informative, beautifully clear, and very well produced.

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BOOKS RECEIVED

Books noticed here may also be reviewed later


FLUORESZENZANGIOGRAFIPE DER RETINA By A. Wessing. (Pp. xii + 212; illustrated. DM 84.) Georg Thieme: Stuttgart. 1968.


Notices

CONFERENCE ON THE LATE EFFECTS OF HEAD INJURY

The Research Group on Head Injuries of the World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies and World Federation of Neurology and the National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Blindness of the National Institutes of Health are sponsoring a Conference on the Late Effects of Head Injury, to be held on 6-7 March 1969 at the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C., U.S.A. Inquiries to the Secretary of the Research Group, Dr. William F. Caverness, Building 31, Room 8A-03, National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Blindness, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014, U.S.A.

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ELECTROSLEEP AND ELECTROANAESTHESIA

The Second International Symposium on Electrosleep and Electroanaesthesia will be held in Graz, Austria, in September 1969. Details may be obtained from the Symposium Secretariat, Chirurgische Universitaetsklinik, 8036 Graz, Austria.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS

The Thirty-sixth Annual Meeting of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, 13-17 April 1969, and will celebrate the centennial of Harvey Cushing's birth in that city. Details may be obtained from the Secretary, Dr. B. B. Whitcomb, 85 Jefferson Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06103, U.S.A.