

The effects of mental and physical fatigues are dealt with.

The subject matter includes a chapter on the hazards which face the desk-bound executive from lack of exercise and seems to stretch the concept of industrial injuries rather far.

The sections on rehabilitation and resettlement stress the importance of the emotional factors involved. True rehabilitation includes the solution or at least mitigation of any concurrent socio-economic problems created by the injury.

Other sections deal with strains, sprains, contusions, abrasions, fractures, dislocations and skin sepsis.

The final sections deal with the role of the industrial physiotherapist and nurse to whom this book is most appropriate, but it could also be recommended to any non-medical reader who has to deal with the problems of industrial injuries though a section on the current organization of accident services would have been useful.

The price will tend to restrict the sale of the book.

**Outline of Fractures.** JOHN CRAWFORD ADAMS, M.D., F.R.C.S. Fourth edition. Edinburgh and London. E. & S. Livingstone Ltd. 1964. Pp. viii + 303. Price 30s.

This is an excellent book and the fact that a fourth edition is now issued is evidence of the popularity of previous editions and the admirable desire of the author to keep the book up to date with modern orthopaedic practice. It is claimed to be a book for medical students and general practitioners who are not necessarily called upon to treat fractures but who should understand the mechanisms, diagnosis and methods of treatment. It is also recommended for physiotherapists.

This task is performed admirably since the book is written concisely and dogmatically without completely neglecting alternative methods. It is lavishly illustrated with diagrams and x-ray pictures. These x-ray pictures are particularly worthy of mention since it is obvious they have been selected with much care and greatly reinforce the already lucid text. The student of today is indeed fortunate to have the work of an author who can, with a minimum of words and the painstaking collection of illustrations, make the difficult subject of fractures easy to read and understand.

It is a book that should be in every medical student's library and possessed by all who have to treat or deal with injuries. The excellent references and bibliography that has been added to this edition greatly enhances the value of this book for those who propose to study further this important subject.

**Textbook of Medical Treatment.** Various Authors. Edited by SIR DERRICK DUNLOP, B.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., SIR STANLEY DAVIDSON, B.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., LL.D., and STANLEY ALSTEAD, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P. Ninth edition. Edinburgh and London. E. & S. Livingstone Ltd. 1964. Pp. xviii + 979. Price 65s.

Since its first publication in 1939 this work has always been a favourite