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spectacles and contact lenses, disorders of the eye, surgery of the eye, and ophthalmic tests and devices. The chapters on specific topics, such as anatomy, refraction, and glaucoma, are well written, with a lively introduction which is followed by an alphabetical glossary of ophthalmic terms. Having defined each term, the authors then explain the derivation of the more commonly used ophthalmic expressions.

There are many illustrative line drawings, which are simple and clear. However, the black-and-white clinical photographs are often poorly reproduced.

There is no doubt that this is a most useful book for nurses, secretaries, and other non-medical staff, who may use it to check on the correct (American) spelling of ophthalmic terms, and who wish to learn more about the basic concepts of ophthalmology. ZDENEK J GREGOR


This book contains a miscellany of articles with a neuro-ophthalmological theme. The reader will find case reports and original articles (some of which have been previously published in the Journal of Clinical Neuro-opthalomology). There are accounts of radiological and other special techniques and review articles.

Dr Lawton Smith has an idiosyncratic and evangelical editorial style which I found entertaining. He is clearly not averse to criticising his contributors, and although I did not often find myself agreeing with his comments he provides food for thought.

Anyone with an interest in neuro-ophthalmology will find something of interest in this collection. Personally I found the review article on disorders of visual fixation by J A Sharpe and W A Fletcher and a chapter on Wernicke’s encephalopathy by J B Selhorst most interesting. It is more a book for an afternoon’s browsing than one likely to be referred to frequently. But this is compatible with the nature of the book, for it is designed to be an update and an interesting read.

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News

Biomaterials

The first Interdisciplinary Symposium on Biomaterials in ophthalmology will be held on 1-4 September 1989 at Bologna, Italy. Details from either the Scientific Secretariat, Dr Piera Versura, Institute of Ophthalmology, Via Massarenti 9, 40138 Bologna, Italy; or the organising Secretariat, Studio E R Congressi, Via Riva Reno 47, 40122 Bologna, Italy.

Chinese medicine

The Second World Symposium of Ophthalmology and Traditional Chinese Medicine will be held in March 1990 at Peking (Beijing). Details from ESOTCM Secretary, Service Ophthalologie, 613 Rue de la Libération, 65013 Tarbes Cedex, France.

Ophthalmology in Singapore

Master of Medicine (Ophthalmology)/FRCS (Edinburgh)

The School of Postgraduate Medical Studies of the National University of Singapore will be conducting a two-week full-time course in advanced ophthalmology for qualified medical practitioners who wish to prepare for the FRCS examination in one of the Royal Colleges. The course contents include modules on glaucoma, paediatric ophthalmology, oculoplastics, vitreoretinal disease, corneal and lens disease, and neuroophthalmology. There will also be examination style short cases and examination simulation vivas and question papers. The dates of the course and examination are as follows: Two week advanced course in ophthalmology, 13-24 November 1989; Conjoint M Med (Ophthalmology)/FRCS (Edinburgh) examination, 11-15 December 1989 (to be held in Singapore). Further information from the Secretary, School of Postgraduate Medical Studies, National University of Singapore, Lower Kent Ridge Road, Singapore 0511.