NEW EDITIONS

Methods of Treatment. By Logan Glendening, M.D., and Edward H. Hashinger, M.D. Eighth Edition. Pp. 1033, with 138 illustrations. London: Henry Kimpton. 1943. Price 50s. net.

This book is a useful guide for students and practitioners in routine methods of treatment. The first part includes a discussion of the action of drugs, together with descriptions of minor clinical procedures.

The second part deals with system diseases and the appropriate therapy is tabulated in each chapter.

The section on the sulphonamide drugs has been brought up to date and useful material has been added on the surgical treatment of hypertension, on vitamin K therapy, and on fat metabolism in diabetes. The treatment of Addison's disease, and the section on Amebiasis have been rewritten and are clear and concise. Many aspects of treatment have been covered so that of necessity some parts are not so detailed as might be wished, but the methods described provide an excellent basis of rational treatment.

Clinical Roentgenology of the Cardiovascular System. By Hugo Roessler. Second Edition. Pp. xvi+480, with 337 illustrations. London: Bailliére, Tindall & Cox. 1943. Price 41s. net.

The first edition of this valuable book was issued in 1937, and the necessity for a second edition is itself a tribute to its value and popularity. The book is larger by over 100 pages, the number of illustrations has been nearly doubled.
and there are about 800 more references. Dr Roesler’s book is characterised by thoroughness and readability. Not only are there valuable chapters on the radiographic diagnosis of diseases of the heart, but consideration is also given to the effects of respiratory disease on the heart. There are authoritative chapters on radiological technique, on cardiac measurement and on the radiological study of the heart and peripheral vessels by the introduction of radio-opaque substances. The illustrations are of a very high order, most being accompanied by comprehensive clinical notes, and in many cases there are post-mortem and electrocardiographic details. The large bibliography is arranged by chapters, and the index is very full. The publishers are to be heartily congratulated on the format. This book can be confidently recommended to all interested in cardiovascular disease.

*The Diabetic Life.* By R. D. Lawrence, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P. Thirteenth Edition. Pp. xxiii + 228, with 14 illustrations. London: J. & A. Churchill Ltd. 1944. Price 10s. 6d. net.

This well-known and popular book has reached a thirteenth edition. Dr Lawrence has taken advantage of the reprinting to rewrite the whole text, pruning much dead-wood and ingrafting fresh material, so bringing it in line with recent thought and practice. His object is to provide a practical guide to treatment of diabetes, at the same time keeping theoretical considerations to a minimum.

The present edition follows the general lines of its predecessors. It offers a complete account of the disease and its treatment and is suitable both for the practitioner and the patient.

This edition will fully continue the usefulness of the previous ones.