

nature of the book is a tribute to teutonic thoroughness, very few conditions of importance escaping mention. Inevitably this means the briefest of comment in some cases, although this limitation is offset to some extent by the plentiful provision of references. In reading the sections of special personal interest I found little to fault, and my sole complaint of any substance is the perfunctory way in which diseases of the orbit are dismissed.

In summary this beautifully produced book is an excellent (if expensive) addition to the literature of ophthalmic pathology.

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Colour Vision Testing in Specific Industries and Professions. By JANET VOKE. Pp. 45. £9.50. Keeler Instruments: London. 1980.

In spite of the relentless advances of automation in the field of colour control, there are still numerous industries where a person's colour vision is of importance. For example, diamonds are still examined visually. This slim volume, written by a well known visual journalist, puts the various problems into perspective. Obviously and understandably more at home with the applied side of the matter than its fundamentals, Dr Voke takes the reader through groups of professions, industries, and trades that have colour visual problems in common. A variety of tests are described with special reference to their operational value, though when one reads that 'in the aesthetic arts defective colour vision is likely to be a considerably handicap' one asks oneself how big is 'likely' in modern art.

The work can be warmly recommended to the layman who, unlike the expert, is hardly going to get ruffled by one or two misleading statements and some quantitatively meaningless parts. The bibliography draws attention to a sample of the relevant literature.

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Notes

Retinal detachment surgery

A course on 'Retinal detachment surgery—strategy and tactics' will be held at the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital on 13–14 March 1981. Details from Dr James S. Schutz, Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital, 210 E 64th Street, New York, NY 10021, USA.

Contemporary ophthalmology

The American Society of Contemporary Ophthalmology and the International Glaucoma Congress will meet on 15–21 March 1981 in Orlando, Florida, USA, at the Sheraton Twin Towers Hotel. Details from ASCO/IGC, 6 North Michigan Avenue Suite 1110, Chicago, Illinois 60602, USA.

Scottish Ophthalmological Club

Meetings will be held at Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, on 20 March 1981, and at the Southern General Hospital, Glasgow, on 23 October 1981.

Third World Congress of Ergophthalmology

This congress will be held in Istanbul, Turkey, on 14–18 June 1981. The main themes will be: (1) Accident and occupational disease in agriculture. (2) Impairment of the visual organs by light (phototraumatism). Details from Dr Ercan Öngör, PO Box 29, Tesvikiye-Istanbul, Turkey.



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