BOOK REVIEWS


After a lapse of 7 years a new edition of this textbook, now a standard work in Switzerland and beyond, has appeared. The two previous editions have already been reviewed in these pages; the present edition is of the same authoritative multiple authorship and is little changed from its predecessors but has been carefully brought up to date. The main additions to the text include a short section on the electroretinogram by H. E. Henkes, new material on physical therapy and on new drugs recently introduced into ophthalmology, the occurrence of ocular symptoms in diseases of the skin, and correlation of ocular deformities with embryological differentiation. For those who read German no better summary of ophthalmology and all its clinical aspects can be found.


The second edition of this well-known book has been revised and extended, notably by a chapter on elementary transistor theory and techniques. It remains delightfully easy reading, and the wide range of topics covered includes all those likely to be met with by physiologists without specialist interests. It is not designed as a laboratory manual, and cannot be used in the design of circuits, or to analyse the mode of operation of unfamiliar apparatus. As an introduction to the subject for the unmathematically minded it is the best book in its field.


Ringland Anderson, having completely re-written this interesting monograph, has presented us with a new book, and is much to be congratulated on it. For here we find a description of every sort of vertical muscle anomaly and great detail about the theories relating to their cause.

There is considerable reference throughout the book to the work of others and the views of different authors have been freely quoted, which often—sometimes completely—leaves one in doubt as to the opinion of the author himself.

However, there are many indications in this book that the author has made a life-long study of vertical deviations and has himself carried out much clinical research, for we find a large amount of valuable practical advice, not only as regards examination and diagnosis, but also in the realm of treatment.

The production and illustrations are excellent.

BOOKS REVIEWED IN OPHTHALMIC LITERATURE
