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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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.

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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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