

occurs." This has been emphasized in the introduction, and the space might well be given to a discussion on diastasis or to the varieties of fracture of the medial malleolus, which are lacking. The chapter limits itself to the general care of ankle fractures, and remains dull and uninteresting, if practical.

The volume is a sound guide to trauma and its treatment, of particular interest to the students of the Massachusetts General Hospital, who will be familiar with the minor peculiarities of the several authors. It contains clearly and succinctly the fundamental facts of the care of injury; and without a grasp of these it is far better to pass by on the other side of the road than attend the accident, if one is certain that a traumatologist is following behind one; and nowadays one probably is.

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### SKULL FRACTURES

*Injuries of the Bones of the Head. An Atlas of Clinical and X-ray Diagnosis.* By J. Vondra, M.D., and R. Blaha, M.D. (Pp. 304; illustrated. 40s.) Prague: Artia. London: Constable and Co., Ltd. 1958.

This book claims to be an atlas of clinical and radiological diagnosis, and it includes all the bones of the skull; one author is an oral and maxillo-facial surgeon and other a radiologist. If the book had been restricted to those fractures which come within the scope of maxillo-facial surgery it would have been smaller and helpful to those to whom it is directed—"busy doctors in health centres and out-patients' departments." As it is, the book is swollen with descriptions of fractures through various parts of the skull vault and base, academically of some interest but certainly of no significance for the "busy doctor," and with practically no observations on the diagnosis of brain damage. The atlas consists of 170 illustrations—the majority are of radiographs; some are of the skull, depicting the commoner types of fracture of the maxilla and mandible—quite useful. It is unfortunate that so many of the radiographs fail to reveal the fracture described in the legend because reproduction is so bad.

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### PATHOLOGY OF THE MOUTH

*A Textbook of Oral Pathology.* By William G. Shafer, B.S., D.D.S., M.S., Maynard K. Hine, D.D.S., M.S., and Barnett M. Levy, A.B., D.D.S., M.S. (Pp. 714+viii; illustrated. £5 5s.) London and Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders Company. 1958.

This is a pleasant and well-illustrated book. It is somewhat unusually arranged in five sections, the first being "Disturbances of Development and Growth," the second "Diseases of Microbial Origin," the third "Injuries and Repair," the fourth "Disturbances of Metabolism," and the fifth "Diseases of Specific Systems," having relation to oral conditions. It also has a somewhat wider background than in most books of this type, and the short discussion on the normal physiology before reference to pathological conditions renders the book far more useful and intelligible to the student. Very adequate references are given for further reading, and in an appendix useful tables can be found for normal values of varying types of laboratory investigations. Altogether a good, sensible, and readable book.

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*Konservative und Chirurgische Behandlung angeborener und erworbener Herzfehler. Drei Vorträge.* By Professor E. Debra, M.D., Professor O. Bayer, M.D., and H. H. Wolter, M.D. (Pp. 64+vii; illustrated. DM. 6.40.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1959.

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*Results of Treatment of Cancer in Saskatchewan 1945-52 (inclusive).* By T. A. Watson, M.B., Ch.B., D.M.R. (Pp. 76. Gratis.) Regina, Saskatchewan: Province of Saskatchewan, Department of Public Health. 1958.

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*The Principles of Electrophoresis.* By René Audubert and Serge de Mende. Translated by A. J. Pomerans. (Pp. 142+viii; illustrated. 25s.) London: Hutchinson Scientific and Technical. 1959.

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