

expert care rather than the indifferent attempt that casualty officers have been allowed to make, followed in a few cases by late salvage reconstructive surgery from the few hand surgeons available. Now the situation is quite different; there are a large number of hand surgeons, the speciality has become well recognised and of increasing interest. This book deserves the wide sale it will receive.—
J. I. P. JAMES.

Revista Brasileira de Ortopedia. The official publication of the Brazilian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology. Volume I, No. 1, October 1966. Directors: Dr José Henrique Matta MACHADO, Dr José Márcio Gonçalves de SOUZA, Dr Luiz Garcia PEDROSA and Dr Márcio Ibrahim de CARVALHO. Belo Horizonte—Minas Gerais, Brasil. Subscription price U.S. \$10.

The Journal extends a late, but nevertheless sincere, welcome to the *Braslian Review of Orthopaedics* Volume I, No. 1, having appeared in 1966. In a large and developing country, fields of communications are important and this journal will provide not only the internal communications necessary but provide the external contact which we hope will stimulate them to greater efforts. It is good to know that some part of the stimulation was derived from a visit of ten Brazilian surgeons to this country after the Congress of S.I.C.O.T. in Paris in 1966.

The Journal maintains a standard form and set-up; it is well printed and illustrated. The first article is by Louis A. Goldstein of Rochester on the treatment of idiopathic scoliosis. Subsequent papers have short but satisfactory English summaries of the Portuguese text.—J. G. BONNIN.

BOOKS OF ORTHOPAEDIC INTEREST

Nelson and His Surgeons. (Nelson Chirurgique.) Being an Account of the Illnesses and Wounds Sustained by Lord Nelson and of His Relationship with the Surgeons of the Day. Compiled and edited by P. D. Gordon PUGH, O.B.E., F.R.C.S., Surgeon Commander, Royal Navy; Consultant in Orthopaedic Surgery, R.N. Hospital, Haslar. Foreword by H. Jackson BURROWS, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.S., President, British Orthopaedic Association (1966–67); Consultant in Orthopaedic Surgery to the Royal Navy. 25.5 cm. × 19 cm. Pp. vi+68, with 47 plates, 4 in colour. Index. 1968. Edinburgh and London: E. & S. Livingstone Ltd. Price: Cloth edition 30s., paperback edition 15s.

This monograph is based on an exhibition held at the Royal Naval Hospital, Haslar, on April 15, 1967, in connection with the clinical session of the spring meeting of the British Orthopaedic Association. Those who enjoyed the exhibition at the Haslar meeting might like to have a permanent record of it and incidentally will be doing good for the *Save the Victory Fund*.

Arbeit und Gesundheit. Neue Folge Heft 81. Angiographische Untersuchungen der Stumpfdurchblutung bei Beinamputierten unter besonderer Berücksichtigung osteo- und myoplastischer Stumpfkorrekturen. (Work and Health. New series number 81. An angiographic research on the stump circulation in amputations of the leg with particular attention to osteoplastic and myoplastic amputations.) By Joachim LANGHAGEL. Pp. viii+103, with 89 figures and 2 tables. 1968. Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. Price DM 33,80.

A nicely illustrated angiographic study which seems to show little difference between the osteoplastic and myoplastic stump as far as circulation is concerned.

Die Operative Behandlung der Progressiv Chronischen Polyarthritits. (The Operative Treatment of Progressive Polyarthritits.) By Norbert GSCHWEND. Pp. xi+219, with 379 illustrations in 207 figures (65 in colour). Index. 1968. Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. Price DM 98.

This book from Switzerland is beautifully illustrated, both radiologically and in colour, and covers a wide series of operations employed to improve joint and tendon function, mainly in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis.

Fundamental Techniques of Plastic Surgery and Their Surgical Applications. By Ian A. MCGREGOR, M.B., F.R.C.S.(Eng.), F.R.C.S.(Glasg.). Foreword by Sir Charles ILLINGWORTH, C.B.E., M.D., Ch.M., F.R.C.S.(Glasg.), F.R.C.S.(Ed.), Hon. F.A.C.S., Hon. F.R.C.S.(Eng.). Fourth edition. Pp. xi+298, with many figures. Index. 1968. Edinburgh and London: E. & S. Livingstone Ltd. Price 35s.

This small volume has been deliberately cut short so that it will appeal to orthopaedic and other surgeons who have a direct interest in plastic surgery but do not practise it as a speciality. The fourth edition is even shorter than the third but just as useful. The third edition was fully reviewed in 1965 (Volume 47-B, p. 817).