Again, probably due to pressure on space, the treatment of the motor handicap has not been quite so detailed as one would have liked. In particular, it would have been most useful if the actual details of the physiotherapy used for the different types of cerebral palsy had been described.

Due to the complexity of the handicap and the fact that no two children present with the same battery of symptoms, a large team of doctors, therapists, psychologists and teachers are needed. Had the author included his views on the coordination of the work of such a team in the management of the total handicap usually found in cerebral palsy, they would have been of interest.

These items apart, the book is a real contribution to our knowledge of the subject and well deserves a place on the bookshelves of all those interested.—J. H. CROSLAND.

Lições de Clínica Ortopédica. By Dagmar A. CHAVES. Volumes I and II. $10\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$ in. Pp. xxviii+996, with 708 figures, a few in colour. 1961. Rio de Janeiro.

These two volumes of Professor Chaves give account of his large experience as an orthopaedic surgeon, covering the elementary directives for clinical examination by students, and the description of most of the important conditions for which the orthopaedic surgeon cares. Having spent his medical life in Brazil, Professor Chaves pays particular attention to two of the conditions that more severely affect his compatriots at the present time, namely skeletal tuberculosis and rickets. These chapters are of special interest but other parts of the book would be also worth reading by orthopaedic surgeons from countries where social improvement and early detection have all but eradicated diseases that once had also been prevalent in them.—J. TRUETA.

Outline of Orthopaedics. By John Crawford ADAMS, M.D.(London), F.R.C.S.(England), Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, St Mary's Hospital, London, and St Vincent's Orthopaedic Hospital, Pinner; Deputy Editor, *Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery*. Fourth edition. 9×6 in. Pp. viii+448, with 324 figures and 11 tables. Index. 1961. Edinburgh and London: E. & S. Livingstone Ltd. Price 35s.

Within a year of the last, a further edition has been necessary; this is sure evidence of its popularity amongst the medical student fraternity. The author has brought the text up to date—the section on bone tumours has been expanded; the clinical description of spina bifida is fuller with a passing reference to the use of the Spitz-Holter valve; the employment of the Milwaukee brace in scoliosis is discussed; whilst the modern direct surgical attack on spinal caries is mentioned. This edition is only eight pages more than its predecessor, and this includes several additional well chosen figures; true, a few of the less important ones have been omitted.

The author's style, his wise selection of illustrations and his ability to keep the book within reasonable size and yet up to date, will obviously make this work a best seller.—David TREVOR.