Manual of Osteopathic Practice. By Alan STODDARD, M.B., B.S., D.O., D.Phys.Med. Consultant in Physical Medicine, Brook Hospital, London. 23.5 cm. × 15.5 cm. Pp. xxi + 300, with 56 figures (plus a frontispiece) and 2 tables. Index. 1969. London: Hutchinson Medical Publications. Price 70s.

Dr Stoddard has written an interesting introduction to the origin and theory of osteopathy. It gives a description of Dr Still's obsessional views of its intensive application to disease and the author's interpretation of its value and indication. An attempt is made to classify and describe many special syndromes and their treatment by manual therapy. A valuable aspect of this monograph is its description of the manual skill and the psychological approach of the manipulator.—P. H. NEWMAN.

BOOKS OF ORTHOPAEDIC INTEREST

Symposium on the Spine. American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. Committee on publications: Chairman, Fred C. REYNOLDS, M.D., with sixteen other contributors. 25.5 cm. × 18 cm. Pp. xii + 289, with 558 illustrations and some tables. Index. 1969. Saint Louis: The C. V. Mosby Company. Distributed in Great Britain by Henry Kimpton, London. Price £8 15s.

This monograph compiled from lectures presented by the Faculty of Continuing Education under the heading "Current Concepts on Management of Disease and Injury Involving the Spine" covers the subject of mechanical derangement of the spine, including "Biomechanics of the Spine", "Injuries to the Neck", "The Origin and Treatment of Low Back Pain", "Spondylolisthesis", "Scoliosis in Many Aspects" and, finally, "Osteotomy of the Fused Spine".

It includes contributions by many known for their work on the spine and is published in a most acceptable form.

Amputation and Prostheses. A Survey in North-West Europe and North America. By G. E. FULFORD, M.B., F.R.C.S., Institute of Orthopaedics, Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital; and M. J. HALL, Ph.D., Department of Mechanical Engineering, University College, London. Report on the first British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association Travelling Scholarship. Preface by C. Frankland MOORE, C.Eng., F.I.Mech.E., and H. Jackson BURROWS, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.S. 26 cm. × 19 cm. Pp. viii + 107, with 26 figures and 1 table. Index. 1968. Bristol: John Wright & Sons Ltd. Price 42s.

Die Therapie der Koxarthrose. (The Treatment of Arthrosis of the Hip.) Edited by August RÜTT, with thirty-five other contributors. Pp. viii + 310, with 298 illustrations in 139 figures and some tables. Index. 1969. Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. Price DM 78.

This work consists of a series of papers from well known authors who have interested themselves in particular aspects of hip surgery. The articles by Aufranc, Blount, Larson, McKee and Nissen are in English; the remainder are in German, including those by the Judet brothers, Merle d'Aubigné and Maurice Müller.

Anatomical Preparations. By Milton HILDEBRAND. Pp. viii + 100, with 40 figures. 1968. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press. London: IBEG Ltd. Price cloth 72s.; paperback 38s.

This is of interest to those wishing to prepare specimens of the dried skeleton for exhibition.

Aspects of Rehabilitation. Papers by past and present members of the Committee for Research on Apparatus for the Disabled, collected and published in honour of the 80th birthday of Sir Harry Platt, *Br.*, LL.D., M.S., M.D., F.R.C.S., F.A.C.S. With ten contributors. 30 cm. × 21 cm. Pp. 63, with 34 figures and some tables. National Fund for Research into Crippling Diseases, Vincent House, Vincent Square, London, S.W.1. Price 21s.

Current Practice in Orthopaedic Surgery 1969. Edited by John P. ADAMS, B.S., M.D., F.A.C.S., with thirteen other contributors. Volume 4. Pp. xvi + 286, with many figures and tables. Index. 1969. Saint Louis: The C. V. Mosby Company. London: Henry Kimpton. Price £10 2s.

As American orthopaedic surgery grows larger there is inevitably more orthopaedic history and more orthopaedic surgeons to become interested in it. Not surprisingly, therefore, the first third of this volume is devoted to the orthopaedic influence of Henry Gassett Davis, Lewis Albert Sayre and DeForest Willard. A further third is devoted to general orthopaedic surgery and the remaining third to closely related subjects such as the management of shock and regional anaesthesia in the upper limb.