This monograph presents the views of Dr. Beecher and is designed for the surgeon, internist, student and anesthetist who would desire to have his views of the problem. It accomplishes this purpose and well, and can therefore be recommended. It thus gives one the views of an outstanding group but gives very little, if any, of the views of other outstanding groups, this being justifiable in so short a text.

Max S. Sadove.


This volume, by an authority in Northern Ireland, examines the causes of tuberculosis in great detail. The influence of race, heredity, food, and other environmental factors are carefully analyzed. Numerous charts and graphs are presented to compare the findings in various parts of the world. The work of many writers in this field is quoted and critically examined. The conclusions are clear and logical.

Chapters on epidemiology, the bovine bacillus, and the principles of prevention are well written and informative.

The chapter on mass miniature radiography gives the broad outlines concerning the usefulness of this method, and many helpful suggestions regarding its application.

The chapter on immunization against tuberculosis gives a favorable, but not over-enthusiastic point of view concerning the usefulness of B.C.G.

There is also a brief chapter on the prevention of disease in the infected person, and a chapter on the treatment and rehabilitation of the tuberculous patient.

The medical writing in this volume is clear and easily followed. The conclusions drawn from the wealth of material presented are sound and practical. This book has much that will interest the lay worker in tuberculosis as well as the physicians and nurses in this field.

M. R. Lichtenstein.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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A Postgraduate Course on Diseases of the Chest for General Practitioners sponsored by Marquette University School of Medicine, the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice, and the Wisconsin Chapter and the Council on Postgraduate Medical Education of the American College of Chest Physicians, will be held at Marquette University School of Medicine, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 4, 11, 18 and 25, 1953, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The fee will be $25.00. This is an accredited course approved towards postgraduate education requirements of the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice.