

## BOOK REVIEW

**Lecciones de Leprología.** Explicadas en el IV Curso para misioneros y auxiliares técnicos sanitarios celebrado en Fontilles Agosto-Septiembre, 1964. Edición patrocinada por la Soberana Orden Militar de Malta. Talleres de rehabilitación de Fontilles 1964, Sanatorio de Fontilles, Alicante, Spain. 618 pp. 400 Ptas.

This volume is a compact compendium of papers presented at a course for paramedical workers presented under the auspices of the Soberana Orden Militar de Malta at the Fontilles Sanatorium during August-September 1964. Speakers and subjects were as follows: Tomás Aparisi Jijon, ocular leprosy; Félix Contreras Dueñas, past and present general concepts of leprosy, epidemiology, prognosis, curability, eradication, BCG vaccination and organization of antileprosy campaigns; Félix Contreras Rubio, bacteriology, general pathology, histopathology, and biopsy procedures; Plácido Chover Madramany, nasal, buccopharyngeal and laryngeal manifestations; Mauricio Gilbert, organization of antileprosy campaigns in countries with high endemicity; Javier Guillén Prats, initial manifestations; Joaquín Oliete Benimeli, surgical treatment of deformities; Juan Farabini, lepromin reactions and preparation of lepromins; José Terencia de las Aguas, dermatologic considerations, nerve manifestations, osteoarticular lesions, visceral leprosy, diagnosis and clinical types, and treatment of leprosy and of lepra reactions; Francisco Torrent Guasp, general considerations and pathology, epidemics and endemics, care of the sick, different clinical forms of leprosy, and lepra reactions. The papers represent the latest in a series of courses presented by the staff at Fontilles, under the sponsorship of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta. In a short preface Dr. Félix Contreras Dueñas gives a brief history of these courses and summarizes the remarkable cooperation achieved by staff and associates in their presentation. The papers themselves, while geared to an audience less technically trained than professional medical leprologists, contain a wealth of detail full of information for medical and paramedical workers alike. The press work was carried out by patients in the Sanatorium.—E. R. LONG.