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The ninth Congress of Gastroenterology will be held at the Nouvelle Faculté de Médecine, 45 rue des Saints-Pères, 75-Paris (6^e) from 5 to 12 July 1972. In conjunction with this meeting, also at the Nouvelle Faculté de Médecine, Paris, the second European Congress of Digestive Endoscopy will be held from 3 to 5 July 1972. Special programmes have been arranged for ladies accompanying members of the Congress. The address for information about these meetings is S.O.C.F.I., 7 rue Michel-Ange, 75-Paris 16^e.

Progress Reports from Gut

A paperback (to slip into the pocket to read on the journey home) giving a bird's-eye view on gastroenterology at the present time is being prepared for sale at the Paris meetings. It is edited by Sheila Sherlock and contains progress reports published in *Gut* over the past two years. Prices: £1 sterling, 14 Fr F, \$2.65 USA.

Notes on books

Year Book of Medicine 1971 edited by David E. Rogers *et al* (671 pages; illustrated. £6.55). Year Book Medical Publishers Inc., Chicago; distributed in the UK and Europe by Lloyd-Luke (Medical Books) Ltd, London.

The Medical Annual 1971 edited by Sir Ronald Bodley Scott and R. Milnes Walker (Pp. xxiv + 554; illustrated. £4.50). John Wright & Sons Ltd, Bristol.

Two hardy annuals have once again appeared. The 'Year book of medicine 1971' reports the American scene with the digestive system being covered by Norton J. Greenberger. This side of the Atlantic the 'Medical annual' produces its 89th issue, as usual covering medical progress. The alimentary diseases have been annotated by Sir Francis Avery Jones, Sir James Fraser, Professor J. C. Goligher, Professor Sheila Sherlock, and R. E. Horton.

Peptic Ulcer by Kaj Gotlieb Jensen (154 pages. No price given). Munksgaard, Copenhagen. 1972. This monograph is published in English with a summary in Danish. It is a study of peptic ulcer in Denmark and provides a morbidity incidence in addition to the study of the comparative roles of genetic and environmental factors. The two sets of factors are shown to have approximately equal shares in the aetiology of ulcer. The study is made possible by the Danish Twin Registry which collected a representative series comprising all twins born in Denmark within the period 1870-1910.

Lipopathies by Ronald L. Searcy (Pp. xvi + 281; illustrated. £15.00). Charles C. Thomas, Springfield, Illinois. 1971. This book covers all aspects of maldigestion, malabsorption, and brings together all the lipid storage diseases.

Pediatric Clinical Gastroenterology by Arnold Silverman, Claude, C. Roy, and Frank J. Cozzetto (Pp. x + 580; 295 figures. £17.75). C. V. Mosby Co. 1972. Distributed in Great Britain by Henry Kimpton, London. Paediatric gastroenterology is rapidly asserting itself as a subspeciality, and this book will help to

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Acute Cholecystitis by Clarence J. Schein (Pp. 324; 179 figures. \$17.50). Harper and Row Inc., New York. 1972. A personal commentary from experience of dealing with over 500 patients. The final chapter brings together special problem situations such as those associated with diabetes, pregnancy, and carcinoma of the gall-bladder.

Lactoseintolerantie en Lactasedeficientie Bij Volwassenen by H. Poen. Promoter: Dr O. J. Then Thije (Pp. 160. No price given). Bronder-Offset N.V., Rotterdam. 1972. This is a Dutch monograph with an English summary on lactose intolerance.

Surgery of the Oesophagus: The Coventry Conference edited by R. Abbey Smith and R. E. Smith. (Pp. xvii + 240; illustrated. £6.00). Butterworth Group, London. 1972. This book reports a conference held at Coventry in July 1971. This was attended by leading surgeons from the USA, France, and South Africa, who joined with their British colleagues in discussing present-day techniques and results for the resection of the oesophagus. There was a session on oesophageal diseases in infancy and childhood, and papers on the assessment and medical management of oesophageal dysfunction.

Meetings

French Society of Gastroenterology

The sixth 'Forum de Recherches' of the French Society of Gastroenterology will be held in Brussels, Belgium, on 18 and 19 November 1972.

This meeting is open to all gastroenterologists or scientists interested in

investigations related to gastroenterology. Abstracts of the papers submitted for presentation should be sent to Dr A. Bremer, Service de chirurgie générale—Hôpital Universitaire Saint Pierre, 322 rue Haute, 1000 Brussels, Belgium, before 15 June 1972.

The Ninth International Congress of Nutrition will be held in Mexico City from 3 to 9 September 1972. Full information

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