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Die Untersuchung und Behandlung des Kinderlosen Ehepaars

(Study and treatment of the sterile couple)

By Georg Silló-Seidl, J. F. Lehmanns Verlag-München, 1967. Brochure. 15x22 cm., 124 pages, including 6 coloured and 64 black-and-white illustrations and 25 tables. Price not indicated.

This booklet is divided into two main parts, general and special.

The general part gives a definition (the unwillingly sterile couple is defined as such, when « after two years of endeavours, both partners being in the procreative age, the couple still has no offspring ») and some statistical and general considerations on Sterility (approximate frequency: 10% of the married couples).

The special part includes four main chapters, the first two devoted to the study of the husband (endocrinological studies, biopsies, X-ray seminography) and his treatment, and the second two to the study of the wife (endocrinological, gynaecological and laboratory studies, control of ovulation and of tubes, cervical factors) and her treatment.

Two more chapters are devoted to extra-genital factors and their treatment, and to artificial insemination.

Obstetrics: some current problems

Edited by S. G. Clayton. British Medical Bulletin, 24, 1, 1968. Medical Department of the British Council, London. 98 pages; tables and illustrations. 28x22 cm. £ 2 (\$ 6.50).

Introduced by Professor T.N.A. Jeffcoate (Chairman of the Committee which planned this number of the Bulletin), here is a collection of authoritative essays on the following sub-

jects of fundamental importance in Obstetrics and Welfare:

Prophylaxis of Rhesus iso-immunization (C. A. Clarke);

Folate metabolism and reproduction (Bryan M. Hibbard and Elisabeth D. Hibbard);

Water and electrolytes in pregnancy (F. E. Hytten and A. M. Thomson);

Cardiovascular dynamics in pregnancy and labour (Melville G. Kerr);

Diabetes and latent diabetes in pregnancy (A. D. Wright, H. G. Dixon and G. F. Joplin);

Coagulation failure in obstetrics (J. S. Scott);

Jaundice in pregnancy (Sheila Sherlock);

Asymptomatic bacteriuria during pregnancy (R. W. Beard and A. P. Roberts);

Renal failure of obstetric origin (Kinsey Smith, J. C. McClure Browne, R. Shackman and O. M. Wrong);

Pituitary necrosis (H. L. Sheehan and J. C. Davis);

Ultrasonics in obstetrics (Ian Donald);

Placental insufficiency (E. David Morris);

Obstetric anaesthesia and analgesia (J. E. Utting and T. Cecil Gray);

Maternal mortality in Britain (Roma N. Chamberlain).

Maladies héréditaires du métabolisme chez l'enfant

(Malattie ereditarie del metabolismo nel bambino).

Di M. Lamy, P. Royer, J. Frézal, J. Rey, Masson & Cie, Seconda Edizione, Parigi 1968. Volume rilegato. 16x24 cm. Testo di 451 pagine con 119 illustrazioni e un indice analitico degli argomenti trattati. Prezzo non indicato.

I dieci anni trascorsi dalla prima edizione di questo volume, nel 1959, sono così densi di progresso scientifico da far agevolmente comprendere come ci si trovi in realtà non di fronte ad una riedizione, sia pure adeguatamente aggiornata, ma ad un'opera quasi completamente nuova.

Il settore in cui si colloca l'opera del professor Lamy e dei suoi Collaboratori è dal 1966