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AUSTRALIA

The 17th National Physiotherapy Conference will be held in Melbourne at the Lincoln Institute of Health Sciences, Carlton, from 21 - 25 May 1980. Registration must be completed by January 1980 with the Australian Physiotherapy Association, 434 St Kilda Road, Melbourne 3004.

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This course will be conducted by Professor Sandra van der Merwe, Graduate School of Business Administration, University of Witwatersrand.

Participants will be divided into groups for workshops, the course being of value to physiotherapists whether working in private practice, hospital or university.

Date: 10 - 12 April 1980.

Venue: Milpark Holiday Inn, Johannesburg.

Fee: R50.

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Maximum: 40 participants. Enquiries and Application Forms: Miss E. Smith,

31 Monte Carlo Flats, Ampthill Avenue, BENONI,

1500.

Application forms and R20 deposit must be in before 20 February 1980.

BOOK REVIEWS

Self-Help in Health

Free from Department of Health, Secretary for Health (S3Division Liaison and Information), Private Bag

X88, Pretoria 0001.

Useful information and advice on the Environment and Health, Hygiene, Mother and Child, Nutrition, Infectious and Communicable Diseases, Non-infectious Disease of the Body, Habits that endanger Health, Mental Health, Health Problems of the Aged, Common Emergencies and First Aid and Available Health Services in this time is geared mainly for the Black people of this country. The last section will be most useful when

referring country patients to available services.

Also received from Department of Health and available free: The Use of Alcohol by Young People, Moderation or dependence/Alkohol en die Jeug, Matigheid of misbruik en afhanklikheid. Lead Poisoning in

Children/Loodvergiftiging onder kinders.

Physical Agents for Physical Therapists. Griffin, J. E. and Karselis, T. C. Charles C. Thomas. Springfield, Illinois. 1978. \$21,50.

For many years physiotherapists have needed a comprehensive textbook for electrotherapy. This book brings together the advances in physiology and electronics and applies them to the clinical application of physical agents. The first chapter deals with the causes, classification and gate control theory of pain. This is followed by the physiological effects of heat and cold. Subsequent chapters present the physics, physiological effects and the application of: nerve and muscle stimulating currents; the diathermies; infrared and ultraviolet irradiation and ultrasound. Whirlpools and hot and cold packs are covered in the infrared energies section. The last two chapters discuss the principles of instrumentation and the safety precautions for wiring systems.

This book provides a scientific rationale for the choice of electrotherapy modalities and is well referenced. The sections on treatment techniques are practical and useful. Throughout, the text is clear and easy to read;

diagrams and tables provide clarity and interest.

Many students and qualified physiotherapists find that electrotherapy is a difficult subject. This book explains the Why, What, When and How of the application of physical agents, in a clear, logical and interesting way.

J. A. Gordon

Gesprekvoering met die pasiente in die verskillende Suid-Afrikaanse tale. Departement van Gesondheid.

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A very useful booklet with relevant questions for patient interviews on aspects of present indisposition and past medical history, in Afrikaans/English, Zulu, South-Sotho, Tswana, Xhosa, Venda, North-Sotho and

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