

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN  
Department of Physiotherapy.

In November, 1959, Miss R. C. Hopley, Miss G. M. Murcott and Miss R. I. Simson, passed Part I of the Diploma Course in Physiotherapy.

In 1960, for the first time there will be in training I, II and III Year Students, and nine III Year students will be entering Part II in June. Sixteen are continuing in the II Year, and for the I Year more applications than ever before were received, giving the Selection Committee a very wide choice.

Mr. V. Lerm of Stellenbosch has donated a Shield on which the name of the best II Year student will be inscribed. The student chosen for this award for 1959 will be announced in the next issue.

Miss E. M. Meredith joined the staff in December, 1959, and needless to say she has been a tremendous help and her work has been appreciated both by the staff and students. We all wish she could stay on with us, but understand her desire to return to England. We extend to her our very best wishes for a pleasant voyage, and hope she may find time to visit us again before very long.

A new post has been created on the establishment of the Groote Schuur Hospital for a physiotherapist to take charge of the Student's Clinic. At the end of January, Miss W. A. Dugmore, M.C.S.P. was appointed to this post, and her services are much appreciated, as up to now the Tutor staff have had to share the running of the Clinic between them.

Teachers are still urgently required on the Staff, and we would like to remind readers that the University of Cape Town now offers Physiotherapists a Course to train as Teachers.

We look forward to a full and busy year.

## BOOK REVIEW

### Physics and Electronics in Physical Medicine.

By A. Nightingale.

Published by: G. Bell & Sons Ltd., York House, Portugal St., London, W.C.2.

Price 30/- Net.

This Book deals mostly with the underlying physical principles of the physiotherapeutic methods used today.

It is well prepared, each chapter is headed by a list of the contents and the end of the first nine chapters has a summary.

Throughout there are diagrams, charts and graphs, excellent in their simplicity, and frequent practical everyday parallels are used to explain physical phenomena.

There is no doubt that this book will be welcomed by all Teachers of Physiotherapy for the Physics in Part I aptly called Fundamentals. These chapters deal with principles applicable in mechanics of all fields of motion. For the student of physiotherapy it is a first class text book, and for the practising physiotherapist it is a useful reference for those who really think and apply their principles to their therapy.

It is an advanced technical book but comprehensive and straight forward, it is divided into three sections, Parts I and II dealing with the fundamental physics and their applications and Part III has chapters devoted to more complicated topics such as ultrasonics, transistors and electromyography.

This book is invaluable and a much needed addition to the medical libraries.

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