

Book Reviews

the second the work of four anatomists is discussed in turn: M. Hurtado de Mendoza (1780 or 85–1849), A. Zuriaga y Clemente (1814–1866), L. Boscasa e Ignal (1786–1857), and M. Lopez Mateos (1802–1863). None of these is known outside Spain, but they nevertheless contributed importantly to the advancement of Spanish anatomy by teaching and research. This scholarly study makes better known the status of anatomy in the first half of the nineteenth century in Spain, a topic about which there was previously little information available. To be able to compare and contrast with the other European countries will add usefully to our overall knowledge of the history of anatomy.

ALAN D. BEYERCHEN, *Scientists under Hitler. Politics and the physics community in the Third Reich*, New Haven and London, Yale University Press, 1977, 8vo, pp. xii, 287, £13.35.

The effects of the treatment of German physicists under the Nazi regime has never before been studied at this depth, and to do so the author has had to combine a knowledge of political history with that of the history of science. He has drawn on a large amount of research materials from a variety of sources, and shows that not only did German science suffer from the loss of at least twenty-five per cent of her leading physicists, but those that remained suffered harassment from members of their own community as well as from the Nazis. The story is a distressing one, as a gross example of the influence of political idealism on a science. The same effects on the medical profession would be an equally important topic for the scholarly approach of this excellent book.

DAVID M. LAMPTON, *The politics of medicine in China. The policy process, 1949–1977*, Hamden, Conn., Archon Books; Folkestone, Kent, Dawson, 1977, 8vo, pp. xxiii, 301, £12.00.

The purpose of this book is “. . . an attempt to acknowledge the obvious centrality of leaders to policy outcomes and, at the same time, to specify the constraints placed upon those individuals by the structures in which they operate and by the society stretching in an endless expanse beyond the government’s door . . .” (p. xxiii). The American author presents a deep and well-documented survey of his topic, making liberal use of sociological jargon. As well as providing useful data for immediate use, this book will be of particular value when comparative historical studies of modern health services are undertaken.

A. N. L. MUNBY and LENORE CORAL (editors), *British book sale catalogues 1676–1800. A union list*, London, Mansell, 1977, 4to, pp. xxv, 146, £12.50.

The *List of catalogues of English book sales, 1676–1900, (now in the British Museum)* was published in 1915 and has long been out of print. The present volume is based upon this; with additions which increase it by a third. There are 2,600 chronologically arranged entries, each containing standard information, and indexes of consignors, auctioneers, and booksellers. This will be a remarkably useful book, and another monument to the outstanding bibliographical work of Dr. Munby (1913–1974).