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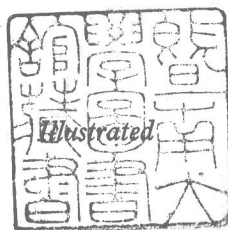
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PREFACE

This volume is prepared from the talks or abstracts of the talks that were presented at the Seventh International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases. In some cases certain papers were not included because of limited space, and in these cases the omitted material concerned is adequately covered by another paper. In other cases, however, papers had to be omitted from this volume because a copy of the talk was not made available to the Editorial Committee.

A great many fields of interest are served in these pages, and many points of view appear. Subject matter ranges from the histology and biochemistry of connective tissue to hormone therapy and physical methods of rehabilitation, and includes many discussions in such diverse areas as those of orthopedic surgery, psychogenic rheumatism, experimentally induced lesions and serologic studies.

The book is arranged in twenty chapters. The first chapter presents general information about rheumatic diseases. The second chapter deals with rheumatic fever. Chapters 3 through 6 present papers on rheumatoid arthritis and closely related syndromes. Chapters 7 and 8 present papers on fibrositis, psychogenic rheumatism and osteoarthritis, which need to be distinguished from rheumatoid arthritis. Chapters 9, 10, and 11 include information on the various approaches to treatment. Other less common types of rheumatic diseases are presented in chapters 12, 13, and 14. Laboratory and investigative studies are presented in chapters 15 through 20.

As a unified record of current thinking and practice by leaders in both clinical and research work, these papers will be of day-to-day value to the practicing physician and to the man in the laboratory. They will also serve in the future as a milepost of progress along a difficult road.

The material presented by the authorities from all over the world should be of interest to clinicians and investigators alike.

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