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"Nor can I claim to speak for pure science, some salt of which remains from early association, and from a lifelong attempt to correlate with art a science which makes medicine. . . ."

—*Sir William Osler*

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## Preface to second edition

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The first edition of the *Atlas of General Surgery*, published in 1955, was in response to stimulating teaching discussions with medical students and with surgical interns and residents. This revision has been executed in the same spirit of teaching and learning. Every illustration has been redrawn and the entire text has been completely revised, introducing refinements where indicated. Many new procedures have been added, including new sections on vascular surgery, hand surgery, and pelvic surgery.

Surgical techniques are evolutionary in origin. They represent an amalgam of old and new knowledge, concepts and techniques which are freely shared and passed on by each generation of surgeons. No claim is made for originating any of the operations described in this book. They represent those methods which in our experience have been found to be the safest and most successful.

*Joseph R. Wilder*

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