

## Contributors

Each paper in this volume presents new ideas and fresh facts. Planners, about whom we hear less today than we did twenty years ago, will find much of value in this book, for it demonstrates more clearly than most that 'What's past is prologue'.

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The latest volume to be issued on the medical history of the United States army in World War II is that on 'Special Fields in Preventive Medicine'. The special fields are those subjects which did not fit readily into other volumes and, as one might expect, cover a very wide range—e.g. training, health education, medical intelligence, enemy prisoners of war, etc.—but all are relevant to preventive medicine.

Each special field is dealt with by its own experts, but all are written with honesty, clarity and authority, so that they are a pleasure to read. The volume is full of commonsense, and the mistakes as well as the successes are included so that the lessons learned remain with the reader; it is a book we can all profit from, even though the appeal of the various special fields will differ in accordance with our different interests and experiences.

This volume is worthy of its predecessors in the series, for not only is its production of the same high standard, but the contents, despite the many different contributors, are of a uniform excellence, for which the editorial staff deserve every credit.

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