EDITORIAL

There are many speech therapists who are aware of the value of the Bobath techniques in the handling of the cerebral palsied child, but the article by Jacobs and Shapiro fills that vital gap between theory and practice in that they give a detailed step by step account of the application of the method. They also discard some older techniques and point out pitfalls to avoid in therapy.

In his article on the aphasic child, Myklebust goes into the details of every term which he uses thus establishing a clear frame of reference in which to discuss the problem. Through his warm and understanding approach we begin to see the brain-injured child as a troubled little human and not merely as a theoretical concept. We are indeed priveleged to be able to publish this contribution from one of the outstanding workers in this field.

Surgical procedures for the relief of deafness due to otosclerosis are appraised by D. R. Haynes. We thus obtain some appreciation of the problem from the point of view of the medical man.

In this issue therefore, we have presented a detailed discussion and new information on topics that are of interest and importance to all workers in speech therapy and related fields.