

diagnosis. Dr. David Barr, then professor of medicine of Cornell University Medical College, stated in this article that reactions to drugs 'could be regarded as one of the commonest conditions encountered.' Drs. Friend and Hoskins of Harvard have pointed out that 40 new diseases or syndromes have resulted from drugs used in therapy and that diseases of medical progress are on the rise. But even these statements do not give the full picture of the difficulties arising from the use of drugs, the poor medical practice resulting from lack of precise and truthful information about drugs. Compilations of toxic reactions do not take into account the number of patients who are undertreated because their physicians are fearful of new drugs they do not understand, patients who, therefore regardless of the merit of the drug they receive, receive token doses only and consequently get substantially less than the best treatment, hence patients who may suffer, whose illnesses may linger, or who may even die because they received inadequate treatment with an adequate drug. There are no data at all on this aspect of the calamity.

The writer will be glad to make the entire volume available to the Committee if that is desired.

Yours very truly,
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