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The book is the result of a team work of 16 specialists, edited by Prof. Vinogradskaya. It is divided into 4 parts comprising 16 chapters. The first part (7 chapters) is devoted to Diptera and deals with malaric mosquitoes, non-malaric mosquitoes, black flies, midges, sand flies, horse flies and flies. The second part (2 chapters) is concerned with other groups of parasitic insects—lice and fleas. The third part (4 chapters) covers hard ticks, soft ticks, gamasoid mites and chigger mites. The concluding part (3 chapters) deals with the control of vectors, the apparatuses used and the organization of disinsection measures.

The chapters devoted to particular group of arthropods contain data on morphology, biology, geographic distribution of important species, medical importance, control methods and protection against attacks. Despite a rela-

tively small scope of the book the authors were able to compile basic data on arthropods as well as on their control as evidenced in practice. Unfortunately, the book abounds in misspellings of Latin names. Trombeae is not a superfamily (p. 8), trombidiosis is not a suitable name for a disease caused by mites of the family Trombiculidae (p. 187). Fig. 16B and 18 did not come out well in reproduction. These, however, are inaccuracies which do not affect the main contents of the book.

The manual is intended for a wide range of workers of various medical fields who are not specialists in medical entomology, for teachers and for all those who wish to gain knowledge on these problems. A suitable selection and arrangement of facts serves this purpose well.

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