

**Probleme der molekularen und allgemeinen Biologie der Zelle. 3. Gesamttagung der Deutschen Gesellschaft für experimentelle Medizin.** Edited by K. Lohmann. (Pp. 320; illustrated + plates. 68s.) Berlin: VEB Verlag Volk und Gesundheit. 1967.

This volume records a symposium on molecular and cellular biology held in Leipzig in May 1966. It appears to be designed to show that East German experimental medicine is keeping up with its West German counterpart. For example, there is a sound review of microspectrophotometry by Krug, but this is years behind the work of Sandritter in West Germany who has been an outstanding pioneer in this field. Some of the contributions tend to be philisophic reviews of literature and ideas, but others conform to the more usual pattern of symposia.

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### New Editions

**The Causes of Evolution.** By J. B. S. Haldane. (Pp. vi + 235; illustrated. \$1.95; 19s.) New York: Cor-

nell University Press (Cornell Paperbacks); London: Oxford University Press. 1968.

This classic text is now part of present-day population genetics, and it is good to have a reprint readily available. The lucid and versatile presentation of a complex subject is as exciting today as it was when first published in 1932.

**Genetics for Medical Students.** By E. B. Ford. 6th edition. (Pp. xii + 211; 10 figures + 7 tables. 21s.) London: Methuen. New York: Barnes and Noble. 1967.

Ford's *Genetics for Medical Students* has survived 25 turbulent years in genetics, and though it has run to six editions it shows little sign of middle-age spread. It is still the same slim volume setting out clearly fundamental principles and unquestionable applications. The present edition carries a new section on the analysis of the general principles of hereditary. There is also a generous acknowledgement to the influence of C. A. Clarke's *Genetics for the Clinician*.