

ularism and Marxist internationalism. Formally, the *Bund* – the “General Jewish Workers’ Union in Lithuania, Poland and Russia” – was founded as late as 1897 (in Vilna). It flourished to become a strong, cohesive party, which up to 1905 occupied an unrivalled position among the Jewish proletariat. Of great value is the discussion of such issues as the *Bund’s* impact on Jewish self-consciousness, its relations with other parties (Russian and Polish) and with the non-proletarian (and non-intellectual) layers of the Jewish community, etc.

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In spite of his breach with the Bolsheviks in 1904, N. V. Vol’skij could play an important part in the Supreme Council of National Economy at the time of the NEP. His memoirs on the subject, written in France during the ‘fifties, are a veritable quarry of obviously reliable inside information on this crucial period (1922-28). The author sheds new light on the *Liga nabljudatelej*, Lenin, Dzeržinskij (who comes out quite favourably), Pjatakov, Trockij, and Stalin. It is to be hoped that these memoirs will be translated.

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