

RAEFF, MARC. *Russian Intellectual History. An Anthology.* With an Introduction by Isaiah Berlin. Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc., New York, Chicago, Burlingame 1966. x, 404 pp. \$ 4.50.

The twenty-four readings that make up the present anthology convey a good impression of what were, according to the editor, the principal preoccupations of the Russian intelligentsia: their self-image and Russia's cultural relationship with the Western world. The fact that Radishchev, Herzen, Chernyshevsky, Vl. Solov'ev, Plekhanov, Lenin and Trotsky are *not* represented is indicative of the volume's (self-appointed) limits. With two exceptions the texts are unabridged: most of them are published for the first time in English.

SWIANIEWICZ, S. *Forced Labour and Economic Development. An Enquiry into the Experience of Soviet Industrialization.* Oxford University Press, London, New York, Toronto 1965. xi, 321 pp. 45/-.

The phenomenon of forced labour on a massive scale is studied here from the economic side. With great knowledge – in part gathered during the author's imprisonment in the Soviet Union – the operation of the slave labour system and its function in the planning policy are expounded. At the same time very interesting comments are given on Soviet economy in general and on the failure in agriculture as opposed to the enormous expansion in industry in particular. The book ends with a discussion of the problems of the underdeveloped countries, over which hangs "a danger of the rebirth of slavery" along Stalinist Russia's lines – a danger to be avoided through a clear-cut attitude and greater sacrifices by the West.

THIESEN, AFFONSO URBANO. *Lenins politische Ethik nach den Prinzipien seiner politischen Doktrin. Eine Quellenstudie.* Verlag Anton Pustet, München, Salzburg 1965. 350 pp. DM. 27.00.

This work collects Lenin's general views on philosophy and politics and all his pronouncements which can be qualified as belonging to the field of political ethics. Dr. Thiesen presents the relevant texts, systematically grouped, with a connecting text and concluding interpretations. In order to arrive at a broader frame of reference, many writings of Marx and Engels are also quoted and various studies on Lenin have been consulted. At the end of the volume the reader finds a useful "concordance of quotations" cited after the fourth edition of Lenin's works and its East German translation.

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