

THE CONDITION OF JEWS IN THE TIME OF HOLOCAUST AND ITS AFTERMATH AS REFLECTED IN PUBLISHED MEMOIRS

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Abstract: *The present study presents a few from the most well known Jewish memoirs written by Jewish intellectuals, active in the life of Jewish Community from Romania during the Hooocaust years and in its aftermath, after the setting of communism in Romania. The books come with a personal note, an inner vision about the condision of Jews in fascist and early years of communism, about the ideal of “liberty” in a world of storm, of military confrontation, racism and anti- Semitism. From these memoirs, it emerges the particular spirit of Jewish Community with his fight for survival, between adaptation to the politics of spheres of influence and emigration.*

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