

pride in its content" reflects Professor Lensen's state of mind clouded by anti-Ukrainian hysteria. Why not paraphrase his "revelation": who but a chauvinist from Florida State University is capable of emotional hatred?

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TO THE EDITOR:

In his review of John V. Sweet's memoirs, *Ukrainian-Japanese Relations, 1903-1945*, Professor A. Lensen reveals rather limited knowledge concerning non-English publications in the United States. He writes: "I wonder, furthermore, whether the publication of this book in New York in Ukrainian is worth the price—its restriction to a very limited readership. On the other hand, who but a Ukrainian nationalist would take pride in its content?" (p. 141). It seems that Mr. Lensen is rather ignorant with respect to the Ukrainian community and its publications in the United States. Probably he will be surprised to learn that in the United States, Ukrainian-Americans are publishing seventy-three newspapers and periodicals (see L. Wynar, *Encyclopedic Directory of Ethnic Newspapers and Periodicals in the U.S.*, 1972) and many books in Ukrainian—thus the reviewer should not worry about a "very limited readership." Furthermore, Ukrainian is used by over 45 million persons, thus making it the second largest Slavic language in the world. It is about time that our American experts in East European history should be able to read and understand relevant publications in this language. It is difficult to comment on the reviewer's note concerning "Ukrainian nationalist," since he failed to define this term. However, it is rather clear from Mr. Sweet's book that he supported Ukrainian democratic, and not nationalistic, organizations in Manchuria. One would think that any historian interested in this topic would find it of value, irrespective of his national origin; or does Professor Lensen feel that interest in historical topics is to be determined by a historian's origins?

It should also be added that Sweet's publication contains illustrations and summaries in the Japanese and English languages.

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Professor Lensen does not wish to reply.