

THE LIFE AND WORK OF
S.M. Dubnov

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JEWISH HISTORY

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CHRONOLOGY

- 1860 Simon Dubnov born 18 September, in Mstislavl, Belorussia.
- 1880 Dubnov moves to St. Petersburg.
- 1881 Dubnov's first historical writing published in *Russkii Evrei*.
- 1883 Dubnov marries Ida Freidlin.
- 1885 Sophie Dubnov born.
- 1890 The Dubnovs move to Odessa.
- 1891 Dubnov issues a call to gather documents and to help organize Jewish historiography of Eastern Europe.
- 1892 At Dubnov's initiative the Jewish Historical-Ethnographic Association is established by the Association for the Dissemination of Enlightenment.
- 1894 Dubnov's first work on Hasidism is published in *Kaveret*.
- 1897 The first of Dubnov's *Pis'ma o starom i novom evreistve* (Letters on Old and New Jewry) is published in *Voskhod*.
- 1898 Dubnov's first textbook of Jewish history, *Uchebnik evreiskoi istorii*, appears.
- 1901 The first part of *Vseobshchaia istoriia evreev* (World History of the Jews) is published in Odessa.
- 1905 The Dubnovs move to Vilna. Dubnov articulates the principles of national-cultural autonomy at two Jewish conferences.
- 1906 The Dubnovs move to St. Petersburg. Dubnov organizes the *Folkspartey*.
- 1909 Dubnov's annotated edition of *Oblastnoi Pinkes* (Community Record Book of the Jews of Lite) is published in St. Petersburg.
- 1914 *Noveishaia istoriia evreiskogo naroda*, Dubnov's history of modern Jewry, is published in St. Petersburg.
- 1918 The fortieth anniversary of Dubnov's career is celebrated in St. Petersburg.
- 1922 The Dubnovs leave the USSR and move to Kovno, Lithuania, where the plan for Dubnov to hold a chair in Jewish history is not fulfilled. The Dubnovs then move to Berlin.
- 1925 The first complete edition of *Vsemirnaia istoriia evreiskogo naroda* (World History of the Jewish People) is published in Berlin.
- 1927 Dubnov participates in the Zurich conference for the defense of Jewish minority rights.

- 1930 Celebration of Dubnov's seventieth birthday, at which the *Festschrift zu S. Dubnows siebzigstem Geburtstag* appears. The Dubnov Fund for the publication of a general encyclopedia in Yiddish is established.
- 1930–1931 *Toldot Ha-Hasidut* (History of Hasidism) is published in Tel Aviv.
- 1932 *Yidische geshikhte dertseylt far kinder*, a Jewish history text for children, is issued in Berlin.
- 1933 The Dubnovs move to Riga.
- 1934 The first volume of *Kniga zhizni*, Dubnov's autobiography, is published in Riga.
- 1935 Celebrations of Dubnov's seventy-fifth birthday. The second volume of YIVO's *Historishe shriftn* is published in his honor.
- 1940 The third volume of Dubnov's memoirs is published in Riga.
- 1941 Dubnov is murdered on 8 December in the Riga ghetto.