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Abstract

While Soviet authorities promoted the project of a Jewish autonomous entity in the Russian Far East (Birobidzhan) between 1928 and 1949 as an initiative to attract an industrious population to aid regional development, they also strategically envisioned it as an outpost on the volatile Manchurian border. The establishment of Manchukuo by the Japanese, armed clashes along the Manchurian-Soviet frontier, and the Pacific War's repercussions had a profound influence on the discourse among the Jewish newcomers, largely expressed through Yiddish—the official language of the autonomous region. The paper explores how these geopolitical tensions were reflected in Birobidzhan's Yiddish literature, offering new insights into the intricate dynamics between the Soviet Union, Japan, and the Jewish community during this fraught period.

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