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Letters of protest were issued by Polish organizations and signed by prominent Polish personalities. Today, there isn't a single Jew left.

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The other awful aspect of my family story was that two relatives died because of an act of betrayal committed by a fellow Jew--a man who, in the hope of ensuring his own survival, led the Germans to a hiding place. On the eve of World War I, about 94 percent of Russian Jewry some 5 million individuals was still living in the Pale. The Holocaust in Poland, and all of Polish-Jewish history, continues to be the embattled terrain of three different and sometimes bitterly competing sets of collective memory: Jewish memory, Polish memory, and the memory of the West.

Eva Hoffman

While the cities—especially Warsaw—became centers of political and cultural life, the shtetls did not disappear.

Shtetl Research Papers

Perhaps that's more appropriate for a book intended for the general public rather than a specialized academic audience. She gives a detailed account of the history of Poland that is not widely available in this country. There were many Poles who harbored Jews and many too afraid of being murdered to do so.

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Satires like The Brief Travels of Benjamin the Third 1878 by S. In contrast with the Poles, Jewish communities basically accepted the legitimacy of the Russian government, even though they may have bridled against some of its policies. Despite surface similarities, this is not a social history, since we get no sense of the fabric of life.

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While the young Jewish communities in Poland suffered their share of religious and folk prejudice, they were also to a large extent protected by laws and special privileges. New peasant movements questioned the Jewish role in the rural economy and started cooperatives that undercut the shtetl.

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Moreover, instead of being modified by time and change, the bleak images of Poland were calcified by the Cold War. The book digs deeply into the sources of Polish perceptions of Jews and vice versa. The shtetl had become a way station to America.

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Eva Hoffman has written a very balanced and nuanced presentation of life for both Jews and ethnic Poles in the years between the wars and during the holocaust.

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