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Other extremely detailed chapters deal respectively with the prosecutor and the courts, which is Vyshinsky's particular field by reason of his long experience as prosecutor, and with the rights and obligations of USSR citizens. A final chapter discusses the suffrage and elections. Actually, the second half of the volume is probably the most comprehensive presentation of the structure and function of the Soviet government available in English.

As Professor Hazard reminds us in his introduction to the work, a volume produced under the general editorship of Andrei Yanuaryevich Vyshinsky "carries the weight of considerable authority." And since the splendid translation of the book under the Russian Translation project of the American Council of Learned Societies, Vyshinsky has become even more important as the new Soviet foreign minister. Perhaps a suggestion to the world's diplomats would be in order at this point. They should be aware that they are dealing with no amateur or figurehead. Under his bombast, Vyshinsky has hidden a wealth of knowledge of legal and political philosophy. Moreover, he is a chief architect of that other world, the Soviet state.

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