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## ENCYCLOPEDIA OF UKRAINE

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«Encyclopedia of Ukraine» is one of the most important and significant works of the twentieth century. This work has a goal-to acquaint us with the history of ancient and modern Ukraine, which during its long journey of formation, experienced a large number of changes. The encyclopedia was created under the auspices of the Scientific Society named after Shevchenko in Europe and contains of two parts: 3 volumes of general part and 10 volumes of dictionary part.

There were a lot of attempts to present some information about Ukraine, but they were unsuccessfully. In Lviv was published three volumes of "The Ukrainian General Encyclopedia" edited by I. Rakovsky, then in the 1932-1934 through Stalin's repressions, was failed the edition of "Ukrainian Soviet encyclopedia" edited by M. Skrypnyk. The same thing expected to publication of "Encyclopedia of Ukrainian studies" in Krakow in 1941.

But after some period of time, by Scientific society named after Shevchenko was developed and prepared for publication "Encyclopedia of Ukraine", a version, which was done by V. Kubiyovych, A. Zhukovsky, Yu. Shevelev, V. Marcus, A. Ogloblin, N. Globenko, S. Jani and others. The General part of this encyclopedia consists of different sections; each of them characterizes a certain state of Ukraine's development at a particular time. These 20 sections reveal cultural, territorial and social aspects of people's lives. It includes: ethnography, language, archeology and culture, the church life, law, national economy and military industry, science, education and public health and physical culture. The Vocabulary part consists of sections-11 volumes; each one contains various articles on certain topics. Also in Ukraine, this encyclopedia has been reprinted several times. The first edition was in Lviv, which was carried out by means of Lviv enterprises and private persons. And second was at Kiev and begun a little later from Lviv.

There are the edition of "Encyclopedia of Ukraine" in English, which consists of 5 volumes, and the internet edition, which was presented by Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies.

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