



The Afterlife of Scholarship: A Critical Review of The Rebbe by Samuel Heilman and Menachem Friedman

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Oporto Press. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 226 pages. Dimensions: 8.9in. x 6.0in. x 0.7in. The Afterlife of Scholarship is a detailed review of The Rebbe: The Life and Afterlife of Menachem Mendel Schneerson (Princeton University Press, 2010). Chaim Rapoport, a noted scholar and rabbi, contends that The Rebbes authors, Samuel Heilman and Menachem Friedman, made serious and sloppy errors in their pseudo-biography of the late Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson. Soon after the publication of The Rebbe, Rapoport published an initial essay highlighting some of the flaws in their work. Not long afterwards, Heilman and Friedman answered with a rebuttal essay. Rapoport responded with another essay, as did Heilman and Friedman. This fascinating public dialogue unfolded over three cycles, in which the flustered authors conceded that they made a number of factual errors in their work. The present volume, The Afterlife of Scholarship: A Critical Review of The Rebbe by Samuel Heilman and Menachem Friedman, is a reworked version of Rapoport's original essays, with two new appendixes. The Afterlife of Scholarship is geared toward the layman, and with more than 30 illustrations and over 500 footnotes, it is sure to provide ample material for Schneerson's future biographers. The Afterlife...

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