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Arthur Bullard's *The Russian Pendulum* (1919) is a personal and political analysis of the Russian Revolution, from the Revolution of 1905 through the beginning of the Civil War in 1918. It reflects Bullard's own perspective, as an advocate for change in Russia with American help. Bullard's experience as an advisor to Colonel House and Woodrow Wilson as a key staffer for the Committee for Public Information in Russia strongly colors his analysis. In this provocative study, Bullard analyzes the February Revolution, Lenin's success with "land and peace" proposals, and then ends with Bullard's own proposals, entitled "What IS To Be Done?" Here he argues that those concerned with Russia should seek information on all sides of the problem and should accept that an "agrarian revolution" has occurred and that any regeneration of Russia must involve public education and commerce. If the United States is to help, it must provide education cooperation, and avoid military intervention.

Key selling points

Another view of Russia on the eve of revolution

The author is an interesting person in his own right as an American who became enamored with fascism

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