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The third volume of the Polish and General Middle Ages, the publication of the Department of History of the Institute of History of the Silesian University in Katowice, not only includes articles of medievalists of this Institute, but also articles of the authors of other centers in Poland and abroad.

Jakub Morawiec (Katowice): A Few Remarks on the Circumstances of the Battle of Oresund in 1000. The article re-examines the contemporary relations associated with the battle of Oresund. In their light, the battle of three kings was rather a result of the conflict of the king of Norway, Olaf Trygvasson, and Lade Eric, not the attempt at attacking Danish state by the Norwegian army.

Marek Smoliński (Gdansk): Diplomacy of prince Mieszko the Old the Third in the times of coup d'etat in 1177-1180/1181. The author – using newest research results and re-interpreting the sources – discussed the problem associated with the struggle for power in Poland in the second half of the 12th century. He took the wide context of political relations in the neighboring states into consideration, referring to the family relations of the Piasts with neighboring dynasties.

Jacek Laberschek (Krakow): Transformations in settlements of northeastern part of the land of Krakow to mid 13th century. The area of historical Lelowski district. The author discussed the problem of settlement in the area of former Lelowski district, documenting

the range of princes', church, and knights' properties.

Błażej Śliwiński (Gdansk): Supplements to the biography of the prince of Meklemburg Przybyslav the Second, the son-in-law of the Eastern-Pomeranian prince Mscivoj the Second. The author presented the life of the prince without a duchy, at the mercy of Pomeranian princes and margraves of Brandenburg, and determined his property in the area of the Pomerania of Gdansk, near the Mausz Lake. The author also established that the witness of Czech starost in Wielkopolska and Pomerania of Gdansk Fryderyk of Szachowice of January 2, 1304 about the truce with the bishop of Kamień is identifiable with the prince of Meklemburg. The author also supposes that the death of prince Mscivoj the Second, the father-in-law of Przybyslav the Second, was the reason for removal of the prince from Bialogard by Parsęta River, although it happened after the death of Przemysł the Second.

Marek Cetwiński (Czestochowa): Sedebat in castello rusticus. Silesian written sources on plebeian fortifications and armament. The article discusses the problem of the reliability of the Silesian source messages from the 13th and 14th centuries concerning the fortifications that were the property of the plebeian population and their defensive usage. The first message is included in the Book of Henry and concerns the fortifications of the Kołacz family; the second message comes from the Book of Princes of Silesia and discusses the resistance offered by peasants of two Silesian villages against Prince Vladislav.

Jerzy Sperka (Katowice): Officials of Vladislav Opolczyk in the Duchy of Wieluń (1370-1391). Lists. The work presents the complicated hierarchy of officials in the Duchy

of Wieluń of Vladislav Opolczyk. The actual list of officials – referring in its form to the List of officials of historical Republic – is preceded by synthesized information about the history of the land of Wieluń under the rule of Piast of Opole, its system and officials.

Anna Sochack a (Lublin): Polish magnates versus the horodelian union. The article is devoted to the problem of identification of political forces supporting the intentions of Vladislav Jagiello and Vitold in the act of political transformations in Latvia, and approach of the Polish and Latvian nobilities through the adoption of the coat of arms. The author noticed that the most eminent representatives of the Polish houses not always sealed the acts of adoption of the Latvian lords, although there was a great representation of the Polish nobility present at the convention. According to the author, this fact may testify to the existence of the magnate opposition in relation to the conditions of reaching the horodelian union.

Bozena Czwojdrak (Katowice): The foundation of Dzierslav and Jan Rytwianski of the Jastrzębiec coat of arms in historical collegiate church of Sandomierz. The article casts a new light on the argument between king Casimir Jagiellonczyk and the University of Krakow of the seventies of the 15th century. She also explains the part of Dzierslav and Jan brothers, which they played in this argument.

Stanisław A. Sroka (Krakow): The Medieval Stamps of the cities of Malopolska from the archive in Bardiov. The author presented and discussed the stamps of the cities of Malopolska. These stamps were either known or unknown to the historians; if known, then from later documents.

Karol Nabiałek (Krakow): The castle of Olsztyn in the Polish Jagiellonian State (from 1391 to mid 16th century). It is a comprehensive work concerning the history of the castle of Olsztyn near Czestochowa. The author – taking the archeological, architectural, cartographic, and settlement researches into consideration – presented the function of the fortified object located in the Silesian-Malopolska borderland.

Jiři Jurok (Nový Jičín): Czech Hussites and anti-Hussites of Moravy in Poland in the 14-15th centuries. This is a prosopographic study, which attempts at presenting the history of people of Moravy, who were associated with the Hussite movement, or fighting against this movement, and who were related to Poland at a certain stage of their lives.

Idzi Panic (Katowice): Landed salary of the Czelo family of Czechowice during the reign of Piasts (From researches into ways of promotion and salary of the nobility of Cieszyn in the times of Piasts 1290-1653). The author, concentrating on the financial issues, discussed the history of the Czelo family – one of the most significant families in the history of the Duchy of Cieszyn. At the same time – and on the basis of this particular history – the author presented the mechanisms of the functioning of the power elites in this Upper-Silesian duchy.

Dana Picková (Ostrava): Moscow in the dyplomacy of the Czech and Uherian king Vladislav Jagiellonczyk in 1501–1516. The author presents the diplomatic role of Vladislac Jagiellonczyk in the attempts at peaceful regulating the relations of the Polish kings and the princes of Moscow.