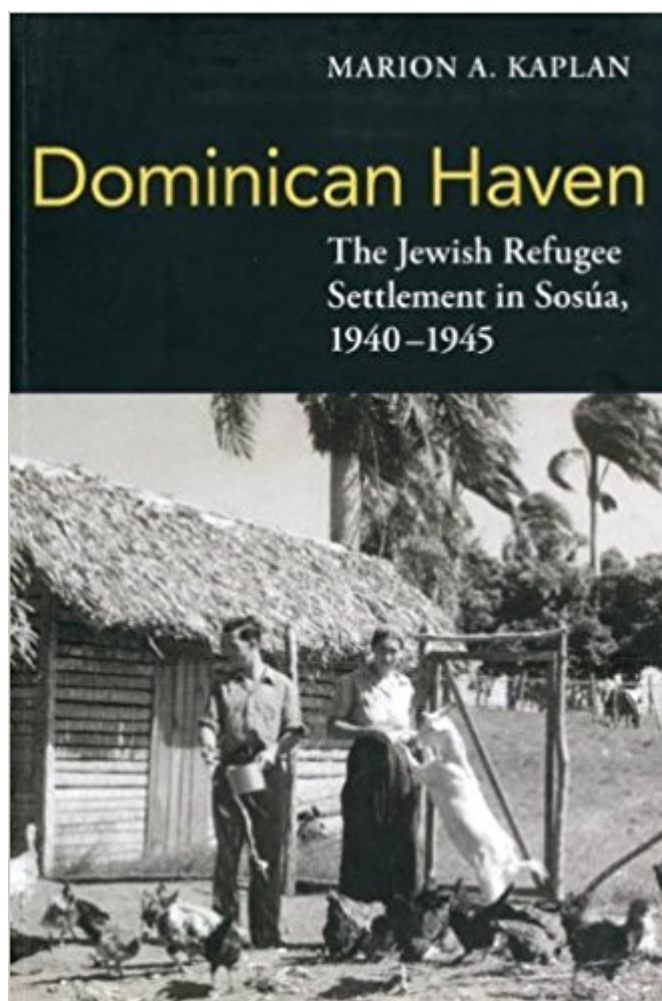


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I found the book very interesting and informative. I was disaillusioned by the actions of some of our Jewish relief organizations. As we've seen in many holocaust stories our own state department was cruel and inhuman. No answer as to why the community dissoolved after the war.

This book is an adjunct to an exhibit at the Museum of Jewish Heritage in NYC. I went to the exhibit two weeks ago, and everyone there was buying the book at the museum. I had already bought it

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