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"This book assesses the impact of German immigrant liberal ideology on the "Middle Border," the region suddenly bisected by slavery in the middle of the nineteenth century and physically separated by the confluence of the Ohio and Mississippi river valleys."

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