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Review

The Absolute Gravedigger represents the moment when the paranoiac-critical method first broke through to Czech poetry. And Nezval got so carried away by his initial excitement that he didn't hesitate to draw the curtain over his entire oeuvre up till then, declaring that the first movement of his work had ended. Yet The Absolute Gravedigger turned out to be both the beginning and the ending of the promised second movement. – Jaromír Typlt

In this, The Absolute Gravedigger is a valuable example of the avant-garde's response to the tumult of the 1930s ? but that is far from its only merit. – L.A Review of Books

The Absolute Gravedigger is an appealing little volume, with many striking pieces, with some context and useful background provided in the Afterword, where the translators also discuss some of their translation choices and approaches (as, unsurprisingly, some of this is hard to translated directly). It is also an impressively varied collection: while certainly of Nezval's surrealist-period, this manifests itself in a variety of ways and approaches – welcome shifts of poetic strangeness from section to section. – Complete Review

About the Author

Vít?zslav Nezval (1900-1958), an original member of the avant-garde artists group Dev?tsil and a leading figure in the Poetist movement, was perhaps the most prolific Czech writer of the interwar period. His output consists of a number of poetry collections, experimental plays and novels, memoirs, essays, and translations. His best work is from the interwar period. He frequently visited Paris, engaging with the French surrealists. Forging a friendship with André Breton and Paul Eluard, he was instrumental in founding The Surrealist Group of Czechoslovakia in 1934.

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