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LITERARY LIFE OF KUTAISI ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPERS "IMERETI" AND KOLKHIDA" IN THE 10S OF THE 20TH CENTURY

In the 10s of the 20th century literary life flourished in Kutaisi. Famous Georgian writers and public men who wrote at this period made important contributions to the history of the town and to Georgia's social life in general. They played great role for the development of the national culture and for the progress of the country.

Kutaisi presented then one of the leading centers of culture and education. The pages of the newspapers and journals of the time are replete with the names of famous people who lived and took care of the wellbeing of the country and with the facts featuring of their deeds and exploits.

Since 1910 we see the increase of the quantity of daily newspapers. These newspapers were: "Kolkhida", "Mnatobi", "Imereti," "Tskhovreba", "Dila," "Shinauri Sakmeebi".

It is impossible to discuss all the literary materials published in "Mnatobi" and "Kolkhida" in this paper, although on the basis of the studied materials it becomes evident that the 10s of the 20th century Kutaisi traditionally represented a city seeking for the literary, cultural, and theatrical newness. Events of literary parties, theatre performances, benefices and meetings with people of arts, etc. were very frequent here.