

On the Interaction of Mongol and Chinese Cultures and the Mongol Society from the Perspective of Legal Sources—Comments on Recent Studies of the Ideological Promotion of Women Chastity

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According to the studies of Birge Bettine, Jennifer Holgrem, and Zheng Qui-Ying, this paper takes the exaltation of women's chastity as an example to explain some limitations which may occur when the researches of Society in Yuan China are based on the legal texts. Besides clarifying the myth of the conquered Dynasty in order to avoid over-emphasizing the influence of Chinese officers and Mongol's Levirate, this paper suggests that the scholars could add the relevant texts to comprehend the society of Yuan China under the characteristic which the legal texts have explained.

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