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In 1983 his book "*Hungarica*" (a chronicle of events and personalities of the Hungarian past) was published in Hungarian and English. His shorter books examine various momentous events of Hungarian history.

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