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Dylan Bonnar says

Genuinely disturbing, and by no means an easy read, but an absolutely devastating account of the attempted genocide of the German people during and after WW2. Quite possibly mankind's darkest hour. I'll never look at WW2 the same way again. Thomas Goodrich is to be commended for this look at a "forbidden" part of history.

Greta says

Nazi propaganda and holocaust denial

<https://chechar.wordpress.com/category/germany-in-wwii/>

<http://www.ihr.org>

Steve Ryan says

A haunting book...

I would recommend this book to readers of military history, seeking to gain an understanding of what the final months of WWII were like for people in Germany. I have read other good works (The Last Battle, Fall of Berlin), but I was unprepared for the scope and depth of misery and cruelty suffered by the German people, at the hands of all sides of the victors. I have a feeling that this is one of those books that stays with you for a lifetime.

Grant Halliday says

Hellstorm of Emotion

My generation was trained from birth to view Hitler and the NDSAP as the ultimate evil.

I was uncomfortable at first with this sometimes sympathetic view towards the third Reich, but by the end of the book, the story became all too reasonable.

Had to take a break on a few occasions due to the macabre descriptions and testimony.

The old adage is true. History is shaped by the victors.

Kyle says

A difficult and often gruesome read. It offers a glimpse into the perspective of the losers of WW2, in this case the Germans. More often than not, this book details the horrors that were enacted not upon the Nazis, but upon innocent civilians. It just goes to show, there are never "good guys" in war, only victims and false prophets.

Dylan Grant says

It is a sad fact of human life that you can only start to read about so many nightmarishly gruesome deeds before they all start to sound the same. That is how I felt reading this book. After the first two chapters had me in a deep state of despair over the evils that innocent German civilians, and especially women and children, had to face at the hands of Allied conquerors, I had to struggle to read the rest of the book because it all just seemed like more of the same.

The Allied Nations should send Germany billions of dollars a year as reparations for the atrocities they committed against them. Never mind - they would just waste it all on refugees instead of helping their own people.

Ts says

Sad facts to learn. We've been fed a bunch of lies and Goodrich tells us the truth. I highly recommend this book to all who want to know what really happened. Give the book to your kids, your friends and coworkers. We've all been fed lies about WWII.

Bill says

The tragedies caused by our nation's GI's, the British and the Russians are deplorable. This insight into how WWII ended and the slaughter of German civilians and POWS is dispicable. Eisenhower, Churchill and Roosevelt have such a deep dark secret that needs to be exposed. Many of our GI's need to be condemned for their brutal actions, because what they did was not heroic; what many of them were were cowardly who bought the American propaganda during the 40s.

Lisa Quenon says

It is terrifying to me, the nature of propaganda...how it feeds on the emotions of the reader/listener/viewer. This book, and its author, are no different from any other propaganda I've encountered. Many of his

readership have not made the journey to Germany. Many of his readership have not been inside of concentration camps; read about WWII atrocities in the original language by the original authors (i.e. in German or Polish by the leaders and leading writers at the time).

So many readers simply feel the emotional tug of the words on paper without questioning them because the story is so well prepared and so well offered.

Make no mistake, this book is a work of fiction, absolute fiction. I have been overseas. I have read the treatises in the original language. I have visited concentration camps. I have spoken with survivors. That other 'story,' the one this author refers to as a work of Hollywood, it is no Hollywood story, it is the truth.

Candace Foulke says

This book was disturbing on many levels but is so achingly descriptive in trying to describe the horror of that war. I have read many books about this subject and the war itself and so far this one has been one of the most brutal descriptions I have read. Even so, I believe that it could not compare to the actuality these people lived through.

I must add, along with everything else published and in witnessing conversations with some who survived the camps and atrocities - I do believe that this was payback for the unspeakable crimes that were begun by the German people themselves. The tables turned and they got a taste of what they had served and then were shocked at the treatment they received. I only hope and pray that future generations will see the damage and pain caused by war and attempt to settle any differences they may have in a more humane fashion. This war should never have happened - but sadly it did. There are still walking wounded living today.

Donald Roland says

Excellent and well told. The account of the devastation of Dresden and of many other German cities as a result of a direct attempt to genocide a nation by the Allied powers is not only revealing, but enlightens readers to what governments are truly capable of doing and hiding.

The cowardice of attacking cities of mostly women and children and then hiding it under the theme of "righteous war" is disgusting, but this gets no attention whatsoever. Instead we are force fed the false narrative of the Jewish Holocaust while it is infused in our everyday lives, through movies, television, newspapers and magazines, books, and even in law enforcement and military training.

This book is a must read, especially for those who have been brainwashed into seeing only one side of history's most dramatic time. Read it with an open mind and learn something valuable.

Jingizu says

This is a very disturbing book with horrendous descriptions of what happened to German POWs and German civilians in the aftermath of WWII. (BTW, this is not the first book or research paper I have read about this subject, just the most recent).

The only reason I give it 3 stars, is because of the veiled allusion to conspiracy theories. It detracts from the facts of Allied atrocities against the Germans. A less emotional and unbiased account would have packed a far greater punch.

As a historian myself, I know how difficult it is to try and stay unbiased and I don't believe there is a single historical account in the history of the world that is completely objective. Yet, the veiled allusions in this book irritated me for the simple reason as stated above, it detracts from the very real suffering of the Germans after WWII.

Yes, the Germans started the war to be sure, and many atrocities were committed by them. But it seems that few people truly adhere to the saying of "two wrongs don't make a right". Many plans and policies of especially Roosevelt and Eisenhower (prompted by Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau Jr., author of the Morgenthau Plan) are open for public view and undisputed. Kaufman's booklet "Germany must Perish!" is not a hoax. And so forth.

There are very real evidence of this, most tellingly also, George S Patton's letters and public disapproval of the treatment of the Germans, not to mention even Jewish reporters' horror at what they witnessed in respect of the way the common German civilians were treated. There is a lot more evidence of this than is reported in this book.

Is this a book worth reading? Yes. Although read it with caution.

I am amused and I despair, when I read the comments and reviews of the book. Either it is raving for the book without checking facts, or people are virulently against the book shouting anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial without evaluating the truth of what happened to the Germans after WWII. Describing Allied atrocities does not diminish the suffering of those in occupied territories or the Holocaust during WWII, it highlights that in truth, there were no "good guys" in this horrendous war.

Abhilash Nambiar says

No history fascinates me like WW2 history. And the more I learn about this war, the more the predominant 'good vs evil' narrative begins to deteriorate. It is a complex and a disturbing tale. The author makes you want to reach out and help those suffering. The helplessness you feel is barely a reflection of the helplessness millions of Germans must have felt as their nation was plundered as everything was treated as war booty. That they rebuild West Germany and then East in such a short time, is surely a miracle. I have no doubt that our generation will witness more miracles.

Eoghan Rua says

Solid historical work from an often unheard viewpoint, which looks at the Second World War from the perspective of the average German civilian, with a focus on the indiscriminate aerial bombings of cities from the Western Allies, murders and mass rapes by the Red Army, mass expulsions of Germans from Eastern Europe and Eisenhower's prisoner of war camps. All of these are historical facts and this book puts them all in one accessible place. A grim look at the effects of total war on civilian populaces.

Without wishing to be rude, you can tell that the people who have voted one star and made snarky comments about the book haven't read it (these reviewers invariably fit a specific Boomer stereotype... wrong side of 50, white, female, sporting horrendous Angela Merkel haircuts).

The book is not "Nazi propaganda" as it does not cover the political leadership of the NSDAP, their ideology and the choices they made and whether they were good or bad, also it does not discuss the Holocaust against the Jews, so unlike some dishonest reviews claims, this is not a "Holocaust denial" book. This book is specifically about German civilians and their experience under total war conditions; this is no more insidious than books about the English experience under the Blitz or the Russian experience during the Siege of Leningrad from the same war.

Samara says

This book was written by a Neo Nazi, or as his bio more favorably spins it: "a White Nationalist" I thought you should know.
