

herself, she has the same opinion of her readers — but her trust that they will be able to be as intelligent and thoughtful as she is has not always been justified, especially in the case of Mary Bell. Her evident sympathy with the woman Bell had become (and her publishers' payment of Bell for her time) gained her much opprobrium. Her ruthless desire to stick to the facts — that, say, Auschwitz was not a “death camp” — has not always won her friends. She is particularly scathing about the identification of Hitler's evil with the death of the Jews and only the Jews. She deplores the use of the word “holocaust”, she says.

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