Private Life and Privacy in Nazi Germany

Was it possible to have a private life under the Nazi dictatorship? It has often been assumed that private life and the notion of privacy had no place under Nazi rule. Meanwhile, in recent years historians of Nazism have been emphasising the degree to which Germans enthusiastically embraced notions of community. This volume sheds fresh light on these issues by focusing on the different ways in which non-Jewish Germans sought to uphold their privacy. It highlights the degree to which the regime permitted or even fostered such aspirations, and it offers some surprising conclusions about how private roles and private self-expression could be served by, and in turn serve, an alignment with the community. Furthermore, contributions on occupied Poland offer insights into the efforts by 'ethnic Germans' to defend their aspirations to privacy and by Jews to salvage the remnants of private life in the ghetto.

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Abbreviations

a.d.S. an der Saale
AHRC Arts and Humanities Research Council
a.M. am Main
AOK Armeeoberkommando
APK Archiwum Państwowe w Katowicach
APL Archiwum Państwowe w Łodzi
APP Archiwum Państwowe w Poznaniu
APW Archiwum Państwowe we Włocławku
ARG Archiwum Ringelbluma
Az. Aktenzeichen
BArch Bundesarchiv
BArch-MA Bundesarchiv, Abteilung Militärarchiv Freiburg/Breisgau
BDM Bund Deutscher Mädel
BGB Bürgerliches Gesetzbuch
BIZ Berliner Illustrierte Zeitung
DAF Deutsche Arbeitsfront
DFW Deutsches Frauenwerk
DRZW Das Deutsche Reich und der Zweite Weltkrieg
DTA Deutsches Tagebucharchiv Emmendingen
Flak Flugabwehrkanone
FZH-Archiv Forschungsstelle für Zeitgeschichte Hamburg, Archiv
GDR German Democratic Republic
Gestapo Geheime Staatspolizei
HA Hamburger Anzeiger
H.Dv. Heeresdruckvorschrift
HHL Harvard Houghton Library
IfZ Institut für Zeitgeschichte München – Berlin
IPN Instytut Pamięci Narodowej
KdF Kraft durch Freude
KLV Kinderlandverschickung
KPA Kempowski Biographien-Archiv, Berlin
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KPD  Kommunistische Partei Deutschlands
KSSVO  Kriegssonderstrafrechtsverordnung
LAB  Landesarchiv Berlin
L.Dv.  Luftwaffendruckvorschrift
MadR  Meldungen aus dem Reich: Die geheimen Lageberichte des Sicherheitsdienstes der SS, 1938–1945
M.Dv.  Marinevorschrift
MfK-FA  Museum für Kommunikation Berlin, Feldpostarchiv
NARA  National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, DC
n.d.  no date given
NKVD  (Soviet) People’s Commissariat for Internal Affairs
n.p.  no place given
Nr.  Nummer (number)
NSDAP  Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiterpartei
NSF  Nationalsozialistische Frauenschaft
NSV  Nationalsozialistische Volkswohlfahrt
NWDR  Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk
OKH  Oberkommando des Heeres
OMGUS  Office of Military Government for Germany (the United States)
RAF  Royal Air Force
RfG  Reichsstelle für Getreide, Futtermittel und sonstige landwirtschaftliche Erzeugnisse
RGBl.  Reichsgesetzblatt
RGZ  Reichsgericht in Zivilsachen
RK  Reichskanzlei
RM  Reichsmark
RMdI  Reichsministerium des Innern
SA  Sturmbteilung
SD  Sicherheitsdienst
SFN Wien  Sammlung Frauenarchiven am Institut für Geschichte der Universität Wien
Sopade  Exile organisation of the SPD
SPD  Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands
SS  Schutzstaffel
StAM  Staatsarchiv München
StdA  Stadtarchiv
SuStB  Staats- und Stadtbibliothek
Ufa  Universum Film AG
List of Abbreviations

USAAF    United States Army Air Forces
USHMM    United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC
VB       Völkischer Beobachter
VZ       Vossische Zeitung