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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Von Tern und OpfernVon Thomas EwaldDieses Buch beschreibt die Reichskristallnacht an berlieferten Beispielen sehr anschaulich.Von den ersten Aktionen in Kassel am 7. November 1938 bis zum Nachspiel wird dem Leser vieles verdeutlicht. Oft brauchten die Ausschreitungen nicht befohlen zu werden, Freiwillige fanden sich immer. Steinweis zeigt, wie tief der Antisemitismus in der deutschen Bevlkerung verankert war, und dass es nur uerer Anlsse bedurfte,

um ihn in brutale Gewalt umschlagen zu lassen. Die Fille an Bchern ber den Nationalsozialismus ist nur schwer zu erblicken. Das Buch von Steinweis ist eines von denen, die herausragen. Man sollte es lesen.

Kurzbeschreibung Kristallnacht revealed to the world the intent and extent of Nazi Judeophobia. However, it was seen essentially as the work of the Nazi leadership. Now, Alan Steinweis counters that view in his vision of Kristallnacht as a veritable pogrom - a popular cathartic convulsion of anti-Semitic violence that was manipulated from above but executed from below by large numbers of ordinary Germans rioting in the streets, heckling and taunting Jews, cheering Stormtroopers' hostility, and looting Jewish property on a massive scale. 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