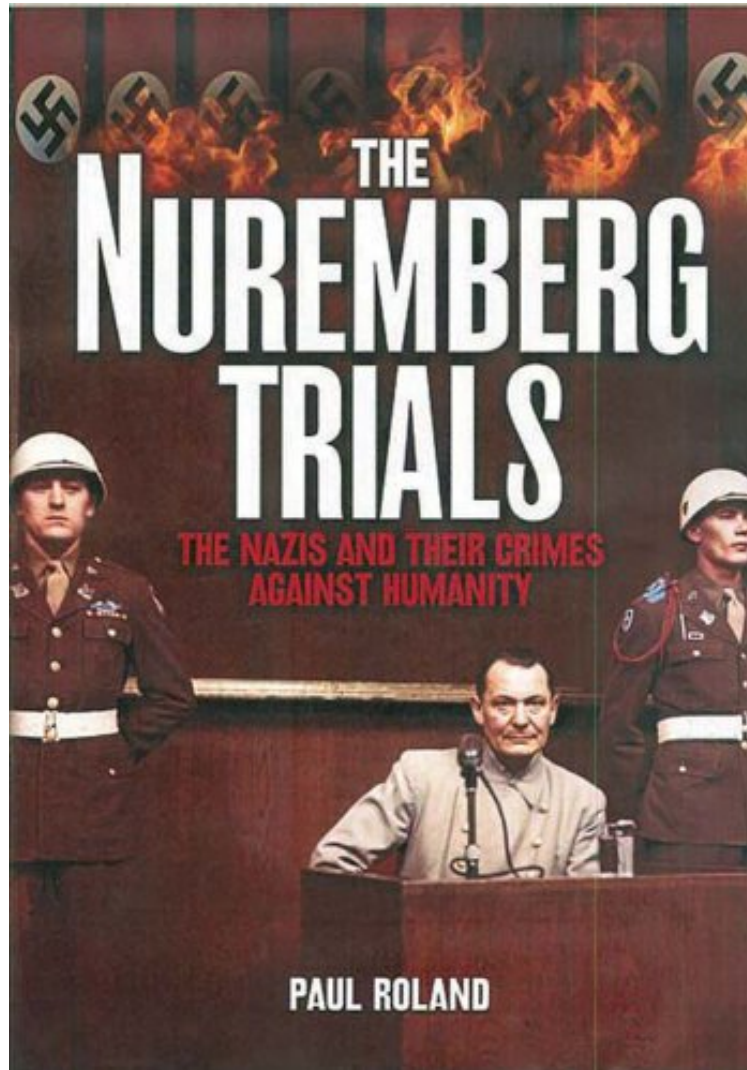


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. More of an overview.By Ken RozaThe scope of this book is vast. It covers the process of how the trails were developed until they are finished and sentences handed out. Some sections were more detailed than others and for this reason alone I have rated only 3 stars. The writing was good. The subject matter interesting; however, there were some sections that read more like the opening rather than a complete section.

In particular was the section on the psychological profile of each prisoners. This was my main interest and thus my disappointment. On the upside this book does a great job explaining how the trials developed and were carried out. I am glad I read the book, but it is not exactly what I was hoping to learn. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. My Mistake. By Elizabeth Wilson Somehow, I don't think I ordered the "right" book ... the book I was looking for ... this one is more an overview of events. 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Flawed, not as informative as better books on the subject. By Lora Dames Though this book is very readable and probably a fine introduction to the subject, I have to admit I have my concerns about the way the information is presented. The Nazi on trial are portrayed as caricatures. I want to clarify that I feel no sympathy for any of the way criminals or think they should be necessarily portrayed in an "impartial" manner, but I think it's detrimental to portray them as obviously evil bullies with blatant delusions and full of cowardice. The way they are described here, it should've been obvious to everyone from day one that these people were unstable psychopaths, which would make anyone wonder how they rose to power in the first place. Also, one of the most insidious was the "banality of evil", and the war criminals here would be over the top for a cheap melodrama. Another strange aspect of the book is that many of the criminals are described as "effeminate". I'd go as far as claim that there are allusion to some of these criminals sexuality was . . . less than heterosexual. One of them is described as someone who wouldn't be "safe around little boys". The language feels outdated at best and insulting at worst. We shouldn't forget that gay people were victims of the Holocaust. To me, it feels insulting to suggest that the Nazi war criminals were necessarily gay pedophiles. Ultimately, I can't recommend this book as a good source. I recognize that the writing is approachable, but the way the information is presented leaves me cold.

The Nuremberg War Crimes Trials began on 20 November 1945 and ended on 13 April 1949. At the first trial, twenty-four leading Nazis were indicted. This book will include extracts from the trial transcripts and testimony including dramatic cross-examinations as the accused come face to face with their accusers as well as contemporary news reports and extracts from interviews with the accused conducted by American psychologist Leon Goldensohn while they were awaiting trial. Anyone wishing to understand the nature of evil can do no better than look within the pages of this book. The Nazis were a vile collection of criminals, thugs, misfits, sadists, and petty bureaucrats bound together only by their philosophy of hate and their love of plunder. The stronger their stranglehold on power, the more monstrous their crimes. But when Hitler's thousand-year Reich collapsed after twelve years of increasing repression, how were those responsible to be punished? Hitler, Himmler and Goebbels took their own lives to evade justice, but that still left the unrepentant Hermann Goering, Albert Speer, Hitler's one-time Deputy Fuhrer Rudolph Hess and many other prominent Nazis to be brought before the Allied courts. This is the story of the Nuremberg Trial the most important criminal hearings ever held, which established the principle that individuals will always be held responsible for their actions under international law, and which brought closure to World War II, allowing the reconstruction of Europe to begin.

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