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Germans and the Holocaust – ASociety of Shared Guilt?

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Very pessimistic atmosphere and increasingly fatalistic indifference, strongly influenced by statements and descriptions given by those bombed out in Frankfurt and Schweinfurt who have arrived in large numbers. Frequently heard opinion that the terror attacks particularly on Frankfurt are x-times revenge for the action against the Jews in 1938. [...]

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Those returning are saying quite openly that the att[...] are revenge for the action against the Jews. As was the case earlier, views are being aired that our whole attitude to the Jewish question, but particularly its solution, was fundamentally wrong, the consequences and repercussions of which the German people have to pay for today. If the Jews had been left in the country, then they'd be no bombs falling on Frankfurt today.

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