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The personified bitterness of IRA hatred

The following letter was printed in today's 'Belfast Newsletter' in response to a recent statement by one of Sinn Fein's most splenetic and bitter members. She was guilty of a vitriolic 'twitter' attack upon victims of terrorism and the scheme to offer them some form of compensation. She later apologised and removed the comments by order of 'Michelle O'Neill, her Sinn Fein 'boss'!

Here is a link to **a report of her comments**.

Anderson was convicted of being an IRA terrorist conspiring to cause explosions in 1985 and sentenced to life in prison. She was released 13 years later as a condition of the Good Friday Agreement and subsequently became involved in politics for Sinn Féin.

She is seen as one of the most deeply cantankerous and crabbit Irish Republicans.

Martina Anderson, the IRA certainly didn't discriminate

My introduction to what Martina Anderson describes as "Britain's dirty war in Ireland" came six days after my fifth birthday.

By Samuel Morrison, Thursday, 27th August 2020, 8:00 am



Sinn Fein MLA Martina Anderson

On that day, daddy brought my sister and I up to Enniskillen to see the scene after the Enniskillen Poppy Day bombing. He said he didn't want us to ever forget it.

I didn't understand a lot of what was taking place around that time but I still regard it as a formative experience. I have never forgotten.

No one murdered or injured in Enniskillen was fighting "a dirty war".

They were remembering those who died for freedom. For that crime some decided that they deserved to die or suffer life-changing injuries.

No one murdered or injured in Enniskillen was "involved in collusion".

Those who bombed Enniskillen that day built their bomb in the safety of the Irish Republic, a state which facilitated the IRA campaign for 30 years, harbouring terrorists and providing them with safe haven to which to flee even when wanted for murder.

It wasn't British troops or Paras who murdered and maimed the people of Enniskillen that day. Nor were those injured and maimed British troops or Paras.

No one was discriminated against in Enniskillen.

Pensioners, health care professionals, shop owners, husbands, fathers, sons, wives, mothers and daughters were all deemed targets.

Everyone in attendance at a memorial event was deemed a criminal for remembering. No one was excluded from the blast of the bomb or the falling rubble.

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Here is **a link to a full account of the bombing** referred to in this letter, commonly called "The Poppy Day Massacre".

Here is **a link is a recording of a report** given at the evening service in Kilskeery Free Presbyterian Church on the Sabbath after the Enniskillen bombing, Lord's Day 15th November 1987, by the father mentioned in the letter published in the Belfast Newsletter, a copy of which we just sent out to you.

I am sure that you will find it a blessing!

The sermon that I preached that evening entitled, 'My prayer for the Enniskillen bombers' is included in the recording.