

'Ethel Rosenberg – The Short Life and Great Betrayal of an American Wife and Mother', by Anne Sebba.

"Anti-Soviet paranoia and fear of Communism plus widespread anti-semitism in the USA ultimately decided the fate of Ethel Rosenberg and her husband Julius. Betrayed by her brother and subjected to a travesty of a trial, they were executed as spies in 1953. This is an interesting and detailed biography of a talented aspiring woman although the group agreed that if written by an historian rather than a journalist her story would have been better understood set within the wider context of the political and social mores of 40s and 50s USA."