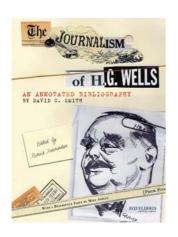


THE JOURNALISM OF H. G. WELLS

An Annotated Bibliography

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Celebrated as a novelist and science-fiction author, H. G. Wells (1866-1946) was also one of the most prolific and influential journalists of the twentieth century. He interviewed Lenin, Stalin, and F. D. Roosevelt. He pursued controversies with Churchill, Bernard Shaw and others, and campaigned tirelessly for scientific education, human rights and world peace. Starting out as a humorous journalist and short-story writer in the 1890s, he chronicled world events from the invention of flying to the closing stages of the Second World War. A master of journalistic formats from the popular newspaper to the scientific periodical, his prophetic insights inspired whole generations of readers.

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