From the review by Dr. Ursula Schröter in "Bulletin Info" 37, p. 57 of the Centre for Transdisciplinary Gender Studies, at Humboldt University, Berlin:

"I have never read an autobiography which analyses so thoroughly and frankly the private life of the author. Not only family relations and love affairs, the joys and troubles with the children, with friends and enemies, are scrutinized from their origins to the present period; the different experiences with pets and other animals living in the vicinity are also of importance to Hanna Behrend. Historians interested in GDR everyday life, e.g. in the work of parents' committees in schools, or in the specific GDR sense of humour (political jokes, or songs with a changed text) will find a great deal of information."