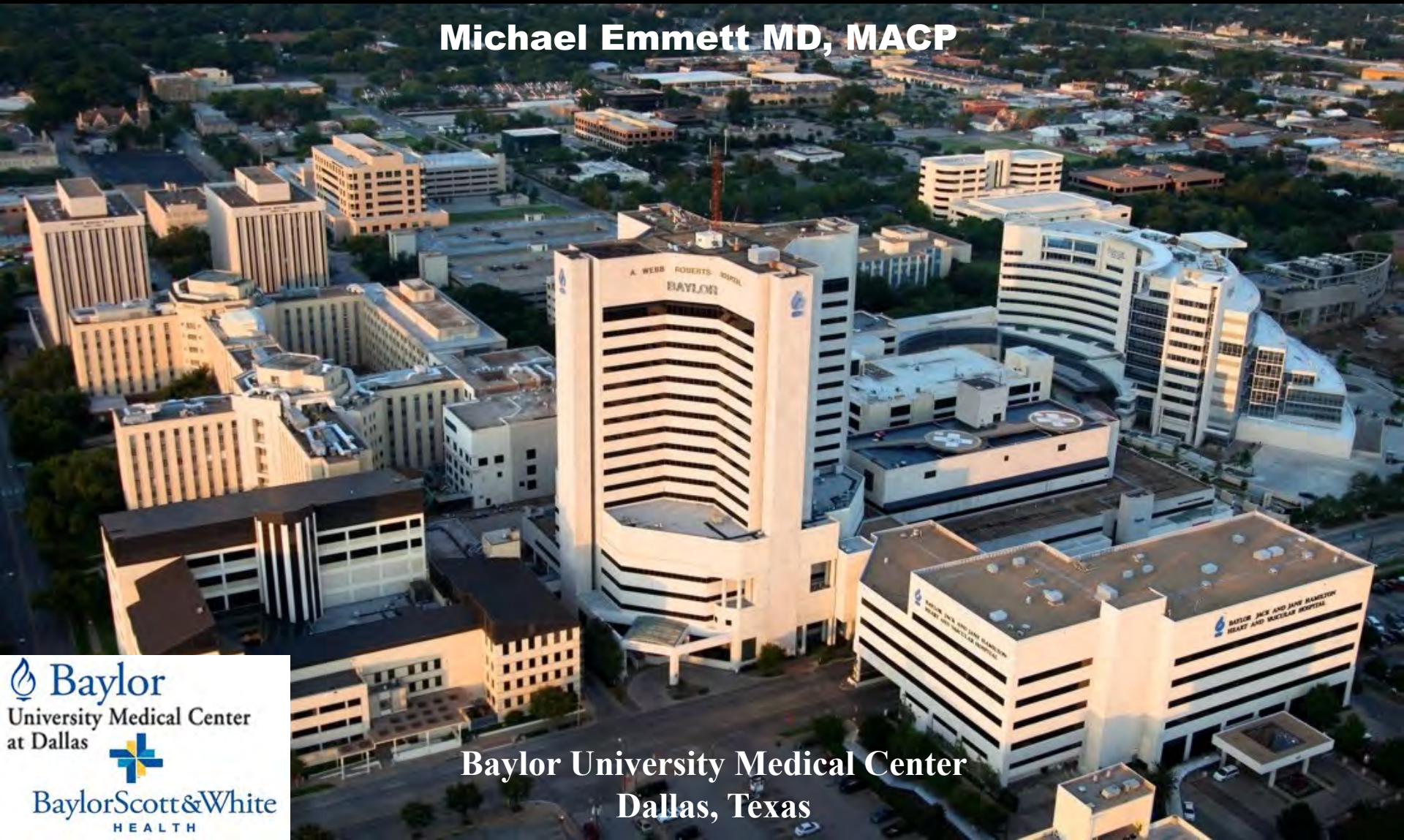


# Genocide, Nazi Medicine, Atlases, Eponyms, Human Experimentation & Postwar “Justice”

Michael Emmett MD, MACP



# *Pale of Settlement*

1897: 4,899,300 Jews

● Moscow

1795 – 1917

Russian Empire

1917 – 1921

Ukrainian State

1921 – 1939

Polish Republic

9/1/1939 *Germany invades Poland*

1939 – 1941

Soviet Union

6/22/1941 (*Operation Barbarossa*)

1941 – 1944

Nazi Germany

1944 – 1991

Soviet Union

1991 – Current

Ukrainian Republic



Adapted from:  
The Jewish Virtual Library



## Poland 1939: Physical

0 50 100 150 km  
0 78 miles

Sea



100 200 m

Land

0 200 1000 2500 m



100 500 2000

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rivers

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peaks

marshes

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1 Free City of Gdańsk

Свято-Преображенська  
церква



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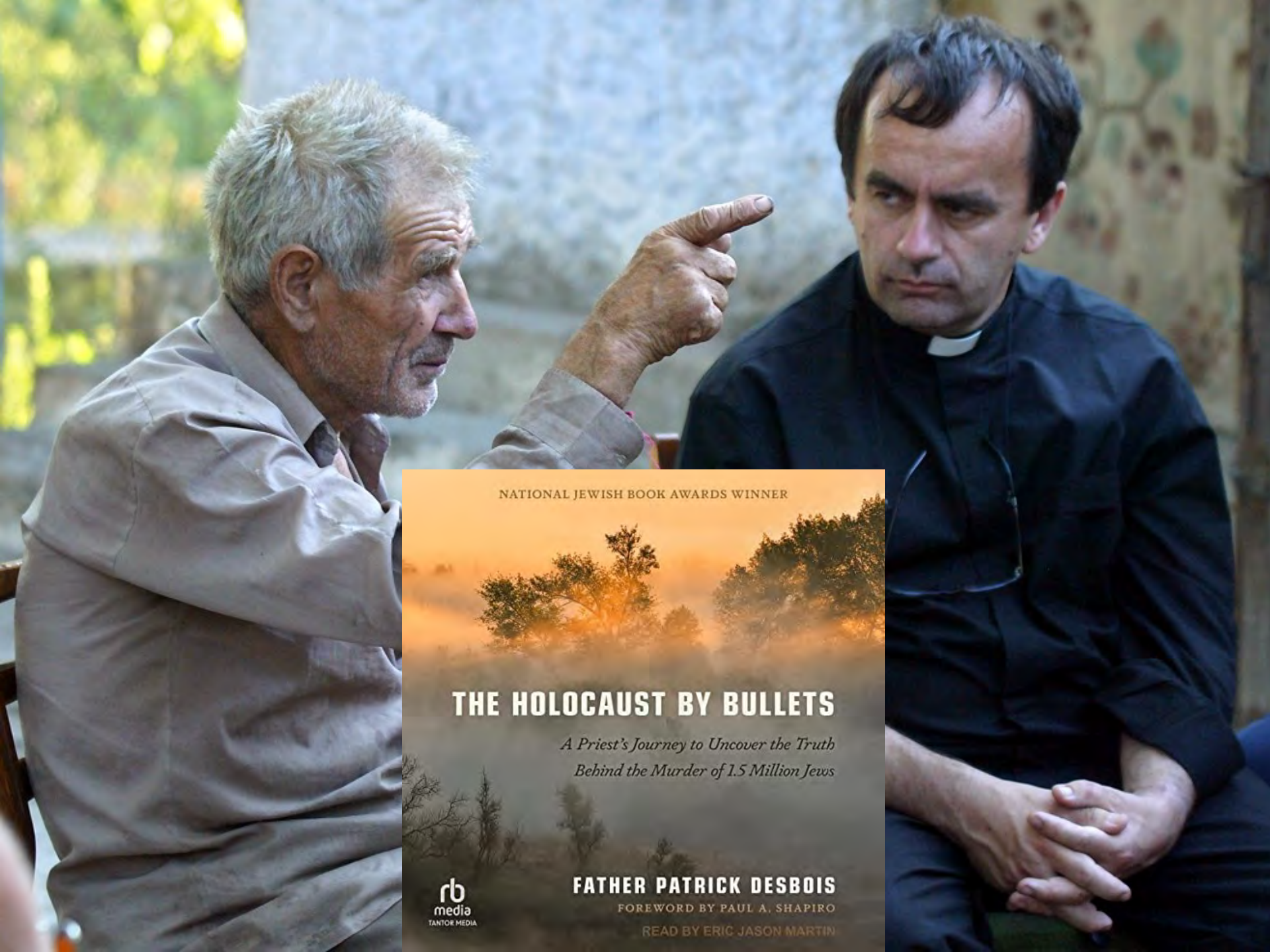
1941 - Tuchin had a population of about 6,000  
About 50% of the population was Jewish



**Holy Transfiguration  
Church -1730**



Tuchin was captured by the Nazis on July 4, 1941



NATIONAL JEWISH BOOK AWARDS WINNER

## THE HOLOCAUST BY BULLETS

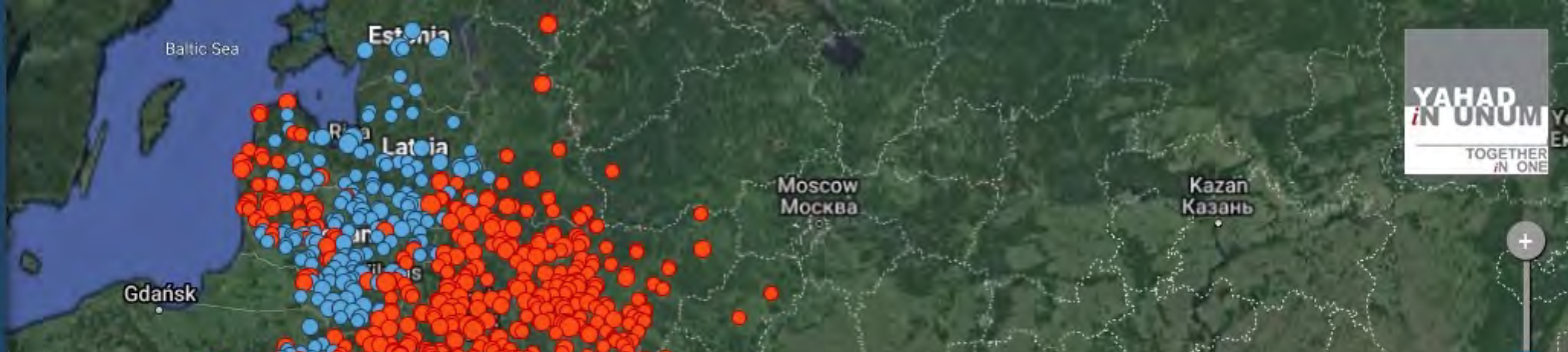
*A Priest's Journey to Uncover the Truth  
Behind the Murder of 1.5 Million Jews*

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FOREWORD BY PAUL A. SHAPIRO

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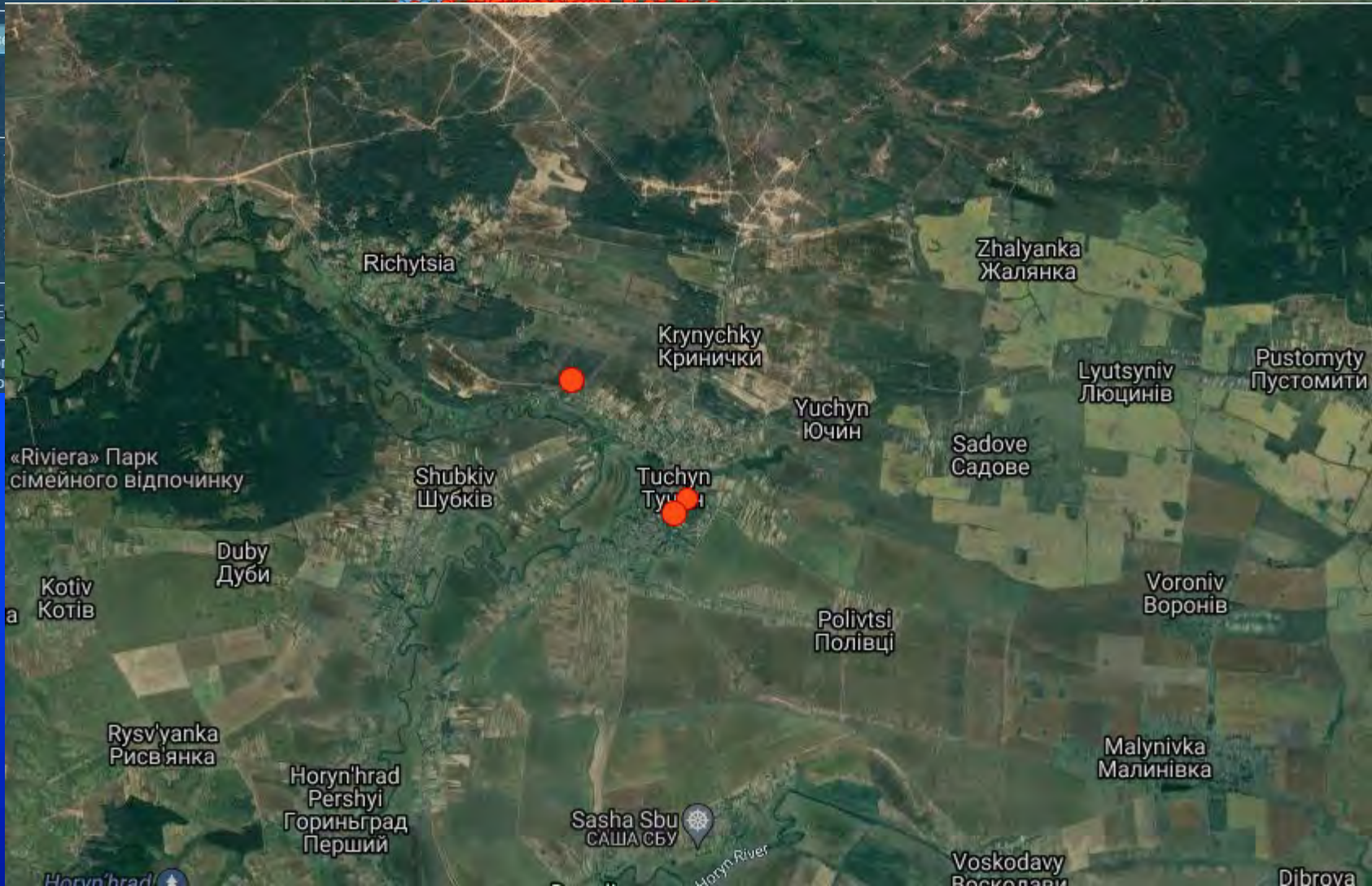
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Execution victims of









Tuchin was captured by the Nazis on July 4, 1941



The execution site of about 1,000 Jews in Tuchyn, Execution site n°1 ©Aleksey Kasyanov/Yahad-In Unum

**Pavel & Lyubov Gerasimchik  
Of Shubkiv  
A dog named "Brisco"**



Hannah Chomut



Born 1931

Murdered 11/4/1942





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## 18 Months in a Haystack

**Pavel & Lyubov Gerasimchik and their children Klavdiya Kucheruk, Galina Gavrishchuk and Nikolay Ukraine**



The Gerasimchik family at their farm  
Additional pictures

Pavel (Pavlo) and Lyubov (Lubka) Gerasimchik and their teenage three children, Klavdiya, Galina, and Nikolay, lived in the village of Szubkow, close to the town of Tuczyn in the district of Równe, Wołyń. In 1935, Pavel Gerasimchik became acquainted with Isaak Khomut (later Emmet), a well-to-do Jew from Tuczyn who was married and had two daughters. When the Germans occupied the area at the beginning of July 1941, unlike most of the locals, Gerasimchik did not turn his back on his Jewish acquaintance.

Despite the hardships brought about by the war, his thoughts turned to the Jewish family who were in even greater danger and need, and he told the Khomuts that he would be willing to host them in his home should it become necessary.

In September 1942 when preparations were made to liquidate the Tuczyn ghetto, the Khomut family decided to flee and head for Szubkow. Their attempt failed and they were forced to return to their house in the ghetto. To their great surprise, the following day Gerasimchik appeared at the Khomuts' home and offered to hide the family in his home for a short while. The Khomuts took Gerasimchik up on his offer and when it became dark, Khomut's wife, Polina and their eight-year-old daughter, Lara, secretly left the ghetto and were driven by Pavlo to his village, hidden under the straw in his cart. A few days later, after the ghetto was liquidated, Khomut joined his wife and child. The Khomuts' eldest daughter Hanele had been handed over to another family that had promised to save her. Unfortunately, as it turned out, they betrayed her to the authorities and she was killed.

In view of the danger to whoever hid Jews, the decision to take in a Jewish family was probably a very hard decision for Gerasimchik. By agreeing save the Jews he put not only himself, but also his entire family in danger. In fact, intense searches for Jews were repeatedly carried out in the area and locals caught harboring Jews paid with their lives. Gerasimchik was very troubled by having endangered himself and his

### Video



Rescued by Righteous  
Among the Nations:  
Testimony of Laura  
Oberlander



Righteous Among the  
Nations: Testimony of  
Lyubov Gerasimchik

### Historical Background

- [Tuczyn](#)

### Related Information

- [Testimony of Yitzhak Khomut](#)



## Marine Flasher



	UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
	IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
	<i>Alien Registration Receipt Card</i>
	Registration Number <b>7102530</b>
FORM I-151 (7-1-48) 16-48499-1	



*This is to certify that*  
**Michel Chomut**  
 was admitted to the United States on **Jan. 17 1949**  
 at **Boston, Mass.**  
 as a **N.P. Quota** immigrant for **Perm. Res**  
 under Sec. **PL 774** of the Immigration Act of 1924 and  
 has been registered under the Alien Registration Act, 1940.  
*Visa Application No. I* **564128**

DATE OF BIRTH	SEX	HAIR	EYES	HEIGHT
<b>Oct. 29 1945</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>bld</b>	<b>blu</b>	

*Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization.*



"We could solve this 'DP' problem all right if we could work out some bill that would keep out the Jews."

- Senator William Revercomb (R-WV)

"We don't want any rats. We've got enough of them already."

- Senator Alexander Wiley (R-WI)





# Statement by President Harry S. Truman Upon Signing the Displaced Persons Act 1948 (Public Law 774) June 25, 1948 (9/1/1939-12/22/1945)

It is with very great reluctance that I have signed S. 2242, the  
Displaced Persons Act of 1948.

If the Congress were still in session, I would return this bill without my approval and urge that a fairer, more humane bill be passed. In its present form this bill is flagrantly discriminatory. It mocks the American tradition of fair play. Unfortunately, it was not passed until the last day of the session. If I refused to sign this bill now, there would be no legislation on behalf of displaced persons until the next session of the Congress.

It is a close question whether this bill is better or worse than no bill at all. After careful consideration I have decided, however, that it would not be right to penalize the beneficiaries of this bill on account of the injustices perpetrated against others who should have been included within its provisions. I have therefore signed the bill in the hope that its injustices will be rectified by the Congress at the first opportunity.

For all practical purposes, it must be frankly recognized, therefore, that this bill excludes Jewish displaced persons, rather than accepting a fair proportion of them along with other faiths. The bill also excludes many displaced persons of the Catholic faith who deserve admission.

# The German Physicians



The medical profession played a key role in Nazi Germany and the Nazi killing machine. By 1942 more than 38,000 doctors and ~ 45% of all German physicians joined the Nazi Party. This is a higher percentage than any other profession. About 7% of German physicians were members of the SS, compared with less than 0.5% of the general population.

About one third of the commandants of the Nazi death camps were either PhD's or MD's.

Nazi doctors supervised the entire process of medical mass murder, from inventing the best killing methods, selecting those to be exterminated, and disposing of corpses. They conducted horrible "medical" experiments on concentration-camp inmates. They did all of this in the name of "healing" and cleansing the Aryan body politic.

# **German physicians, nurses, other medical personnel, public health officials, and biomedical scientists accomplished the following:**

- > 6,000,000 Jews were killed**
- ~400,000 German patients selected and sterilized**
- ~5,000 German children selected and euthanized**
- ~200,000 German adults selected and euthanized**
- ~Only 15% of patients in German mental hospitals at the start of World War II survived**
- Cruel, murderous medical experiments on thousands of concentration camp inmates**



SP bildarchiv preussischer  
K kulturbesitz



Each Year the Prussian Government provides the following funds:

- Normal Schoolchild (125 RM)
- Slow Learner (573 RM)
- Educable Mentally Ill (950 RM)
- Born Blind or Deaf Schoolchild (1,500 RM)



# Eugenics in USA

*The US eugenics movement hoped to breed a superior species: Tall, strong, and talented people especially blond, blue-eyed Nordic types. They believed such people should be the dominant future population.*

*The movement intended to “subtract “emancipated “Negroes”, immigrant Asian laborers, Indians, Hispanics, East Europeans, Jews, dark-haired “hill folk”, poor people, the infirm and really anyone deemed to be “outside” the genetic lines drawn up by “American Raceologists”.*

*The Plan:*

*Identify “defective” family trees and subject them to lifelong segregation and sterilization programs in order to kill their bloodlines. The grand plan was to literally wipe out the reproductive capability of all deemed weak and/or inferior—the “unfit.”*



**William Charles Flynn  
The Winner**

**Better Babies Contest  
Shelby County Fair and  
Horse Show.**



# American Eugenics Movement



"HER SON"  
\$4000 prize Statue by Miss Nellie Walker  
Created Chicago Art Institute

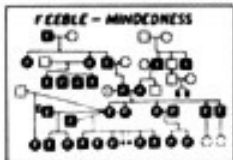
Who will be  
the Mothers  
of Coming  
America?

*The American Woman  
is Rapidly Becoming Ugly*

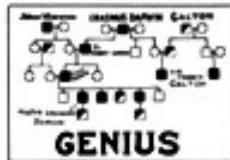
Prof. Ross has proved it. When the low immigrant is giving us *shea* babies while the Daughter of the Revolution is giving us *one* it means the Gibson and Harrison Fisher Girl is vanishing. Her place is being taken by the low browed, broad faced, flat-chested woman of lower Europe. If this continues it means a progressive loss of racial excellence, intelligence and power.

**Imbecility and Genius are both Inherited.**

Only opportunity will bring out inher's genius, but imbecility **always** shows.



Pedigree collected by Dr. H. H. Goddard  
The Mark used are all marks used



Pedigree collected by Mr. and Mrs. Brewster of England

**Imbecility is increasing. Great men are decreasing**



# Eugenics in USA

*“1911 - Preliminary Report of the Committee of the Eugenic Section of the American Breeder’s Association to Study and to Report on the Best Practical Means for Cutting Off the Defective Germ-Plasm in the Human Population.”*

*Major Financial Support – The Carnegie Foundation*

## *Point # 8: Euthanasia.*

*The most commonly suggested method of eugenicide in America was a “lethal chamber” or public locally operated gas chambers.*

*1918 - Applied Eugenics (Paul Popenoe & Roswell Johnson)*

*“From an historical point of view, the first method which presents itself is execution... Its value in keeping up the standard of the race should not be underestimated.”*

*Chapter titled “Lethal Selection” ...the destruction of the individual by some adverse feature of the environment, such as excessive cold, bacteria, or by bodily deficiency.”*



## Alexis Carrel

### *Man, The Unknown (1935)*



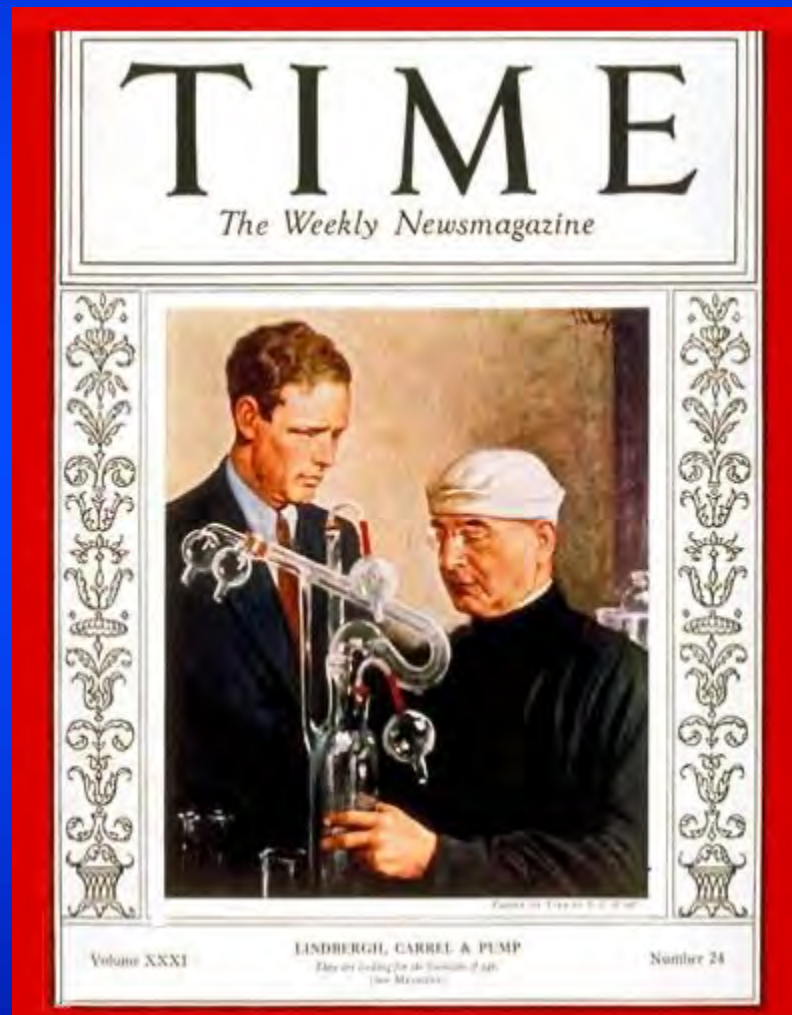
**“(t)he conditioning of petty criminals with the whip, or some more scientific procedure, followed by a short stay in hospital, would probably suffice to insure order. Those who have murdered, robbed while armed with automatic pistol or machine gun, kidnapped children, despoiled the poor of their savings, misled the public in important matters, should be humanely and economically disposed of in small euthanasic institutions supplied with proper gasses. A similar treatment could be advantageously applied to the insane, guilty of criminal acts.”**

# Carrel's 1936 preface to the German edition of his book

## *Man, the Unknown*

“The German government has taken energetic measures against the propagation of the defective, the mentally diseased, and the criminal. The ideal solution would be the suppression of each of these individuals as soon as he has proven himself to be dangerous.”

Charles A. Lindbergh &  
Dr. Alexis Carrel  
June 13, 1938



# Classroom Chart

“The Face is the Soul of the Race”

Alfred Vogel's Textbook  
Heredity and Racial Science  
A Pictorial Representation



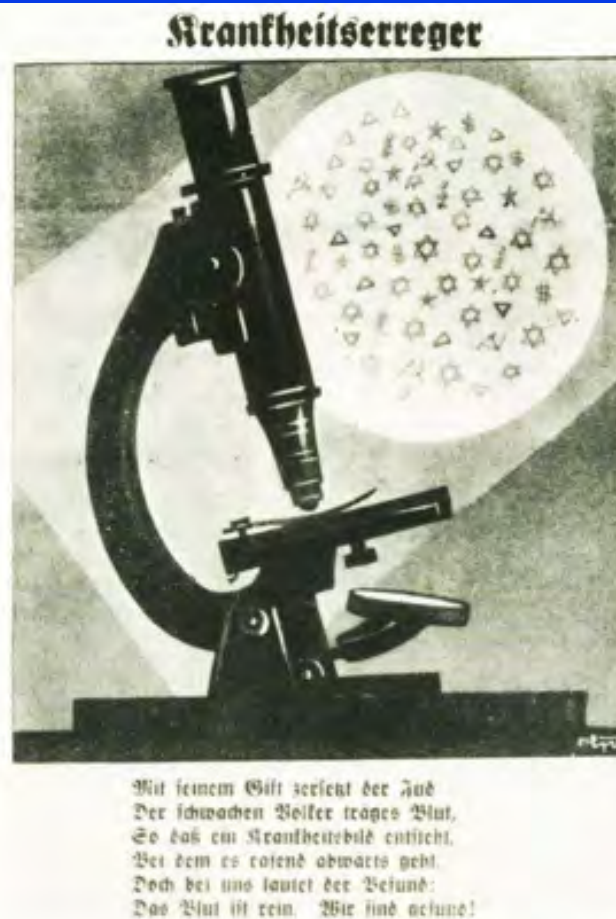
# Germany during the Third Reich (1933-1945)

- Sterilization Law
- Nuremberg Laws
- Child Euthanasia
- T4 Program (Tiergarten 4)
- Widespread Euthanasia
- Operation 14f13  
(Sonderbehandlung  
"special treatment")
- The Final Solution
- Medical Experiments
- Cover-up

## Nuremberg Laws Law for the Protection of German Blood & German Honor



# The Power of Language



During the Holocaust, Nazis referred to Jews as rats. Hutus involved in the Rwanda genocide called Tutsis cockroaches. Slave owners throughout history considered slaves subhuman animals. In “Less Than Human”, David Livingstone Smith argues that it's important to define and describe dehumanization, because it's what opens the door for cruelty and genocide.

When the Nazis described Jews as Untermenschen, or subhumans, they didn't mean it metaphorically, says Smith. "They didn't mean they were like subhumans. They meant they were literally subhuman."

It's wrong to kill a person, but permissible to exterminate a rat. To the Nazis, all the Jews, Gypsies and others were rats: dangerous, disease-carrying rats.



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# What Trump Talks About When He Talks About Infestations

The frightening political history of the word  
“infest.”

By BEN ZIMMER | July 29, 2019

“They don’t care about crime and want illegal immigrants, no matter how bad they may be, to pour into and infest our country, like MS-13”

# Pernkopf Atlas of Topographical and Applied Human Anatomy

First Edition 1937

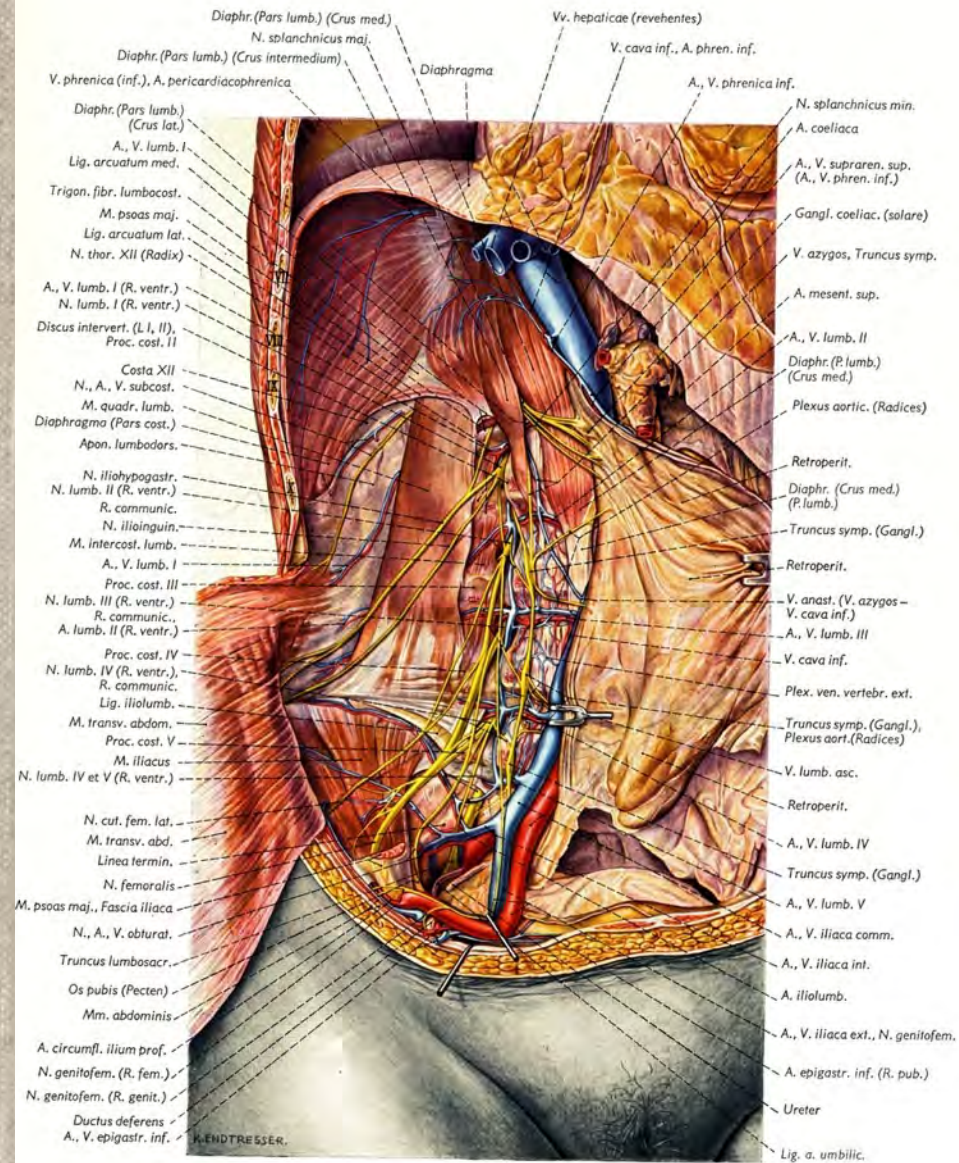
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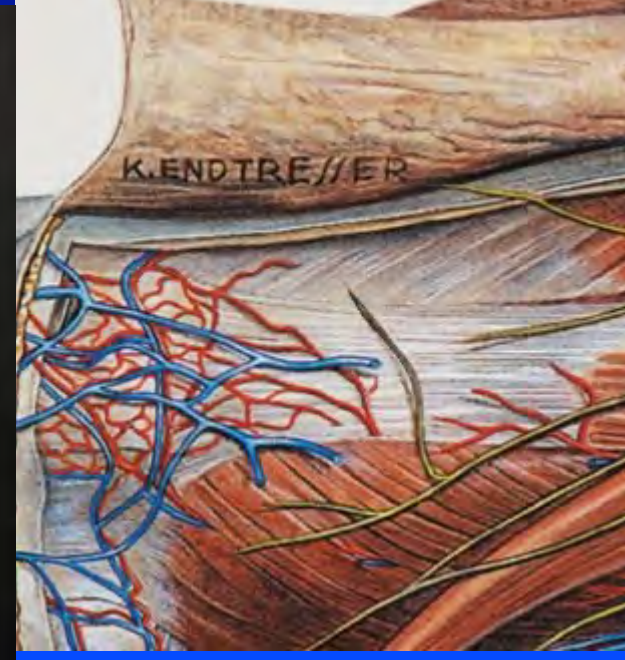
“A unique & classic anatomy atlas ... “Outstanding book of great value to anatomists and surgeons” ... “in a class of its own ... will continue to be valued as a reference work...”

JAMA:

“A classic among atlases... illustrations that are truly works of art”



VII-X = sections of ribs



## Eduard Pernkopf (1888-1955)



**Erich Lepier**

**Ludwig Schrott, Jr.**

**Karl Endtresser**

**Franz Batke**

**TABLE 5. Netter's vs Pernkopf's Anatomical Plate Comparison**

Anatomical Plate Description	Plate		Greater Anatomical Detail			Greater Surgical Utility		
	P	N	Pernkopf	Netter	P-value	Pernkopf	Netter	P-value
Facial nerve and distal branches.	140	20	91%	5%	$P < .001$	82%	14%	$P < .001$
Spinal accessory, brachial plexus, and phrenic nerves.	285	28	90%	6%	$P < .001$	75%	21%	$P < .001$
Axillary nerve and its superior lateral cutaneous branch in relation to the radial nerve.	50	415	86%	7%	$P < .001$	82%	13%	$P < .001$
Palmar and digital cutaneous branches of the median and ulnar nerves.	77	443	82%	6%	$P < .001$	80%	13%	$P < .001$
Subcostal, iliohypogastric, ilioinguinal, genitofemoral, and lateral femoral cutaneous nerves.	186	259	79%	12%	$P < .001$	66%	20%	$P < .001$
Femoral nerve and its distal branches and the saphenous nerve in relation to anteromedial intermuscular septum.	347	482	91%	6%	$P < .001$	79%	15%	$P < .001$

*Nerve Surgeons' Assessment of the Role of Eduard Pernkopf's Atlas of Topographic and Applied Human Anatomy in Surgical Practice*

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## Eduard Pernkopf (1888-1955)

**Joined Nazi Party 1933.**

**Became Dean of the Vienna Medical School within weeks of the “Anschluss” in 1938.**

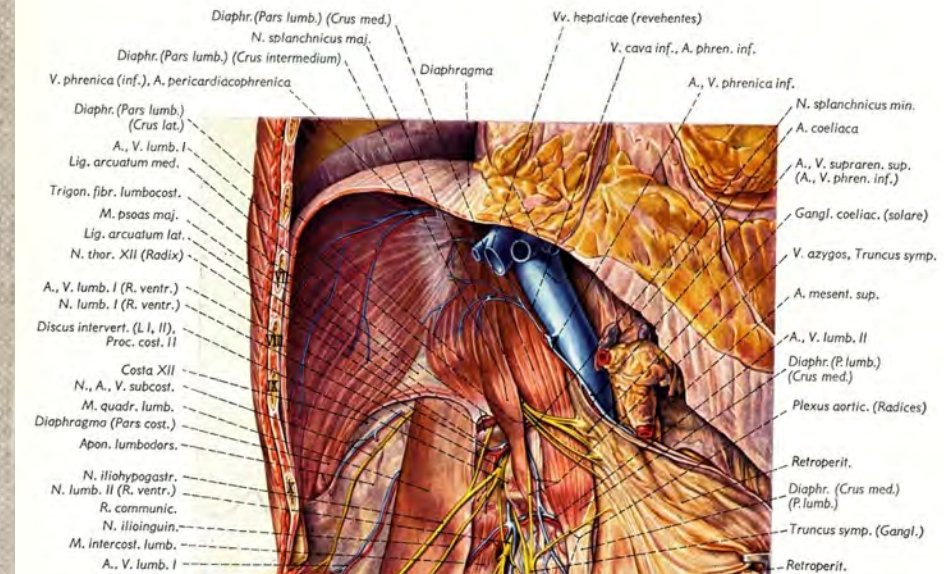
**“Inaugural address : proclaims that doctors must serve not just individuals but the “whole body of the people” and must promote both positive selection of the “healthy and worthy” and negative selection – by extinction – of the “unworthy and bad”.**

**Lectured it was critical to eliminate the genetically inferior by sterilization and “other means”.**

**He expelled all Jewish faculty (over 50% of the faculty was Jewish), including several Nobel Laureates.**

**1943 to 1945 he was *Rektor Magnificus* (president) of the University of Vienna.**

# Pernkopf Atlas of Topographical and Applied



The bodies of at least 1377 murdered victims, including children, were accepted by the Institute of Anatomy. The bodies of the victims were used, without the victims' or their families' consent, for research and teaching, including by Pernkopf and his associates for his atlas.

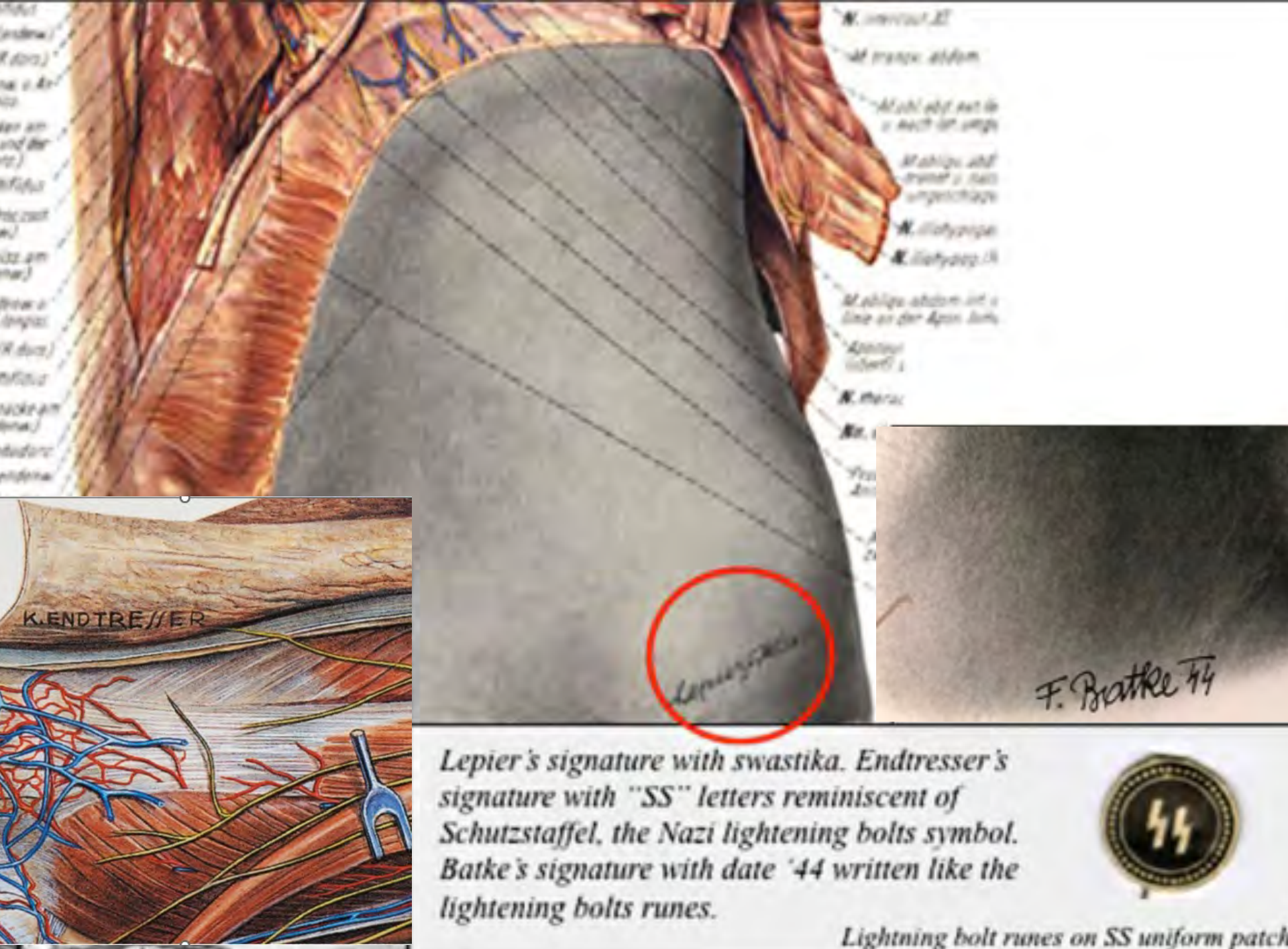
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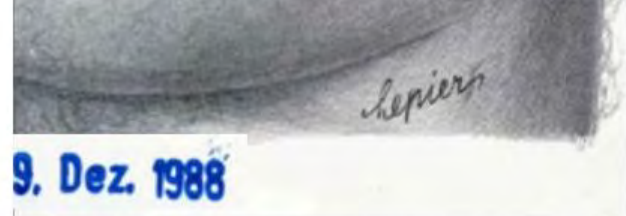




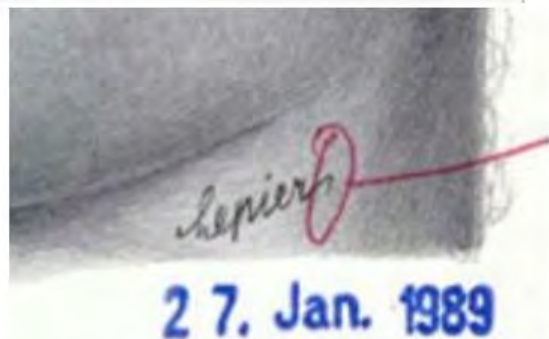
Lepier's signature with swastika. Endtresser's signature with "SS" letters reminiscent of Schutzstaffel, the Nazi lightning bolts symbol. Batke's signature with date '44 written like the lightning bolts runes.



Lightning bolt runes on SS uniform patch



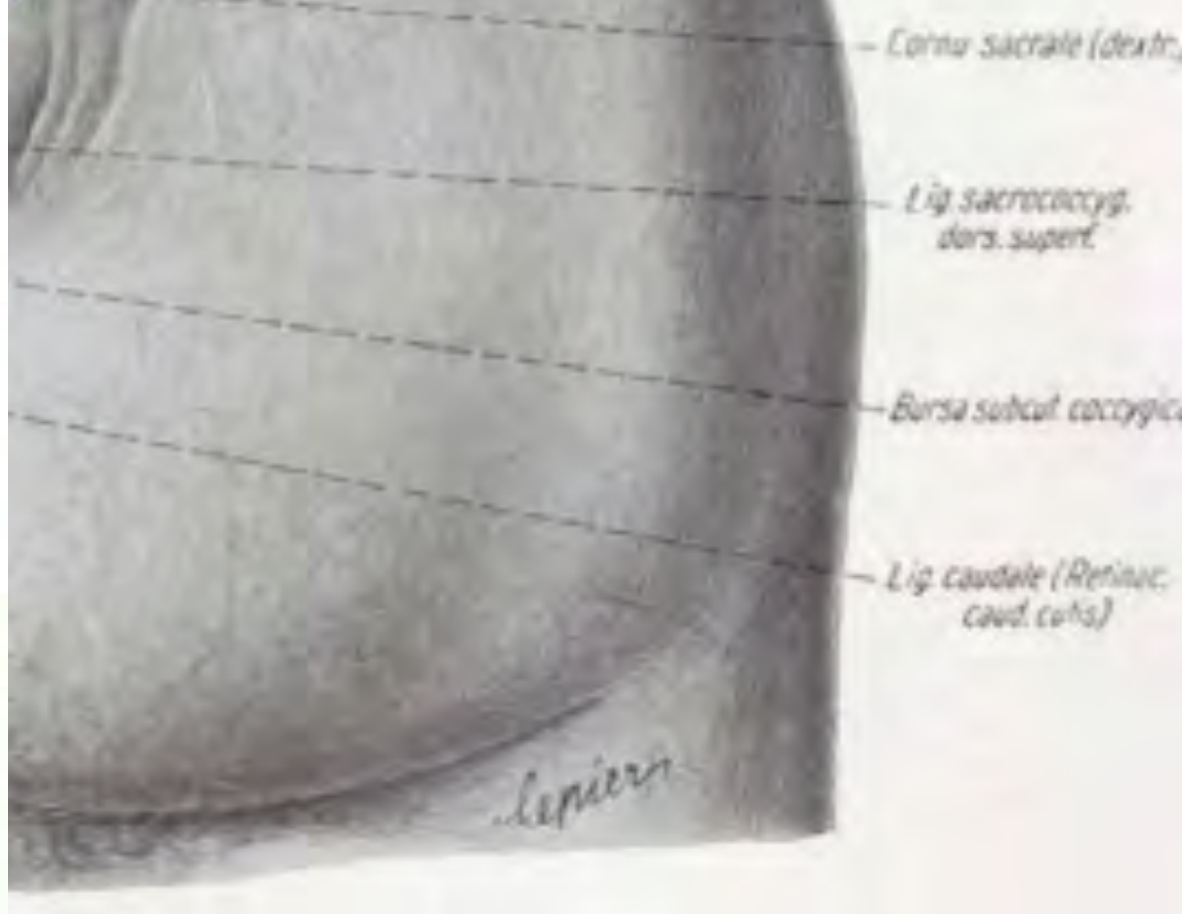
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**INFORMATION FOR THE USERS OF THE PERNKOPF-ATLAS**

In the beginning of 1997 an official scientific project team was commissioned by the University of Vienna to investigate still opaque questions concerning the origin of several anatomic illustrations in the so-called Pernkopf-atlas: the aim is to clarify if some of the anatomic reproductions were produced on the basis of corpses or parts of corpses of victims of the National Socialist despotism.

Eduard Pernkopf's „Topographische Anatomie des Menschen (...)“ (‘Topographic Human Anatomy’) was published between 1937 and 1960 in four volumes (with several parts) by the publishing house Urban und Schwarzenberg, the volumes 1 to 3 before 1945. In the following decades the Pernkopf-atlas was republished several times in different variants (different forewords, retouched captions [without swastika or stylized SS-runes]). The Pernkopf-atlas was also published in several editions in English, a Spanish translation followed in 1953.

Professor Eduard Pernkopf (1888–1955) was a high-ranking Austrian National Socialist. Between 1938 and 1945 he was dean at the Medical Faculty of Vienna and between 1943 and 1945 rector of the University of Vienna.

At present, the possibility cannot be excluded that individual preparations, which were used for drawings in the anatomical atlas published by Eduard Pernkopf, originate from (political) victims of the National Socialist regime. These were delivered by the Wiener Landesgericht (District Court of Vienna). There is also a slight possibility that corpses were delivered from concentration camps to the Anatomical Institute of the University of Vienna.

It is therefore the ethical responsibility of the individual user to decide whether and in what way he uses this work until the investigation results are published.

The investigation committee will probably publish a detailed account of the results in the second half of 1998.

*m.p. Bernd Matouschek*

Liason Office; University of Vienna

Vienna, November 1997

# Eponyms

## Genesis 2:19

**“And out of the ground the G-d formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto the man to see what he would call them; and whatsoever the man would call every living creature, that was to be the name thereof.”**

## Disease Eponyms:

**Named after the person who “first” described the condition.**

**Named after a patient (Christmas, Lou Gehrig, Hartnup disease)**

**Named after a place (Lyme disease, Ebola fever, FMF)**

**Named after a characteristic or finding: Mongolism, Gargoylism, sickle cell disease**

**Eponyms are a longstanding tradition in western science and medicine. The award of an eponym is generally regarded as an honor**



**Hans Conrad Reiter 1881 – 1969**  
**1932 - Joins Sturm Abteilung (SA)**  
**Brownshirts**

**Wrote a textbook about “purification” of  
the German people**

**Designed & participated in typhus  
vaccination experiments which killed  
hundreds of victims in Buchenwald**  
**Studied involuntary sterilization and  
euthanasia**

**Arrested, imprisoned at Nuremberg**  
**Released in 1947 - Reasons for, and terms of, release**  
**the remain “restricted”**

**Reactive Arthritis**



**Friederic Wegener**  
**1907-1990**

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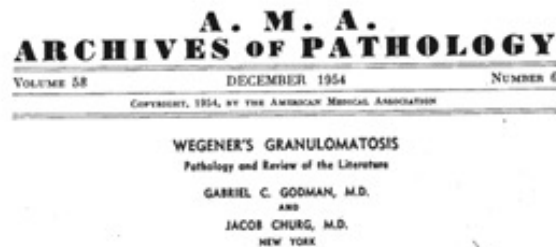
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(On a Peculiar Rhinogenic Granulomatosis with Particular  
Involvement of the Arterial System and the Kidney)

# Godman GC & Churg J: Wegener's Granulomatosis Arch Pathol 58: 533, 1954

Fahey, JL; Leonard, E; Churg, J; Goodman, G. Wegener's Granulomatosis. Am J Med 17; 168, 1954

Reviewed 22 cases from the literature and added 7 new cases



KLINGER<sup>1</sup> in 1931 described a patient with severe destructive sinusitis, nephritis, and uremia in whom, at autopsy, splenic granulomata, arteritis, and glomerular lesions were found. Wegener,<sup>2</sup> recognizing in his three cases a distinctive syndrome, first characterized this complex clinically and anatomically. He held that it represented a unique variety of periarteritis nodosa, and since nasal and paranasal lesions predominated in his cases, he called the condition "rhinogenic granuloma." We have studied seven instances of this peculiar syndrome, as well as a number of similar and related disease patterns. In this communication we propose to describe the anatomic features and to review the pathologic anatomy and nosologic relationships of this disease.

#### SUMMARY OF CLINICAL FINDINGS

Detailed clinical data in our seven cases have been presented elsewhere.<sup>4</sup> There were five men and two females. Their ages varied from 12 to 50 years, with six patients falling between the ages of 35 and 50. The duration of illness was short in four patients—between 2 and 5 months; one patient lived 14 months and one 48 months. Interestingly enough, in the last case only minimal vascular lesions were found at autopsy. The seventh patient is still alive, nearly three years after the onset of symptoms, and has been maintained on cortisone and antibiotics.

The presenting clinical symptoms in six cases were sinusitis, subsequently associated with pulmonary disturbances, otitis, or arthritis. The skin and nervous system were frequently involved. All patients showed evidence of renal damage, such as albuminuria and hematuria; four died in uremia.

#### PATHOLOGICAL FINDINGS

**Upper Respiratory Tract.**—Lesions of the upper respiratory tract (nasal and oral cavities, paranasal sinuses, larynx, and trachea) were present in six of the seven patients. All six showed clinical evidence of sinusitis, and in four of these (G. O., R. K., J. M., G. M.) antemortem or postmortem specimens of nasal and paranasal mucosa were obtained for histologic examination. In patients G. O.

From the Department of Surgery (Surgical Pathology), Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons (Dr. Godman), and the Division of Laboratories, Mount Sinai Hospital (Dr. Churg).

\*References 2 and 3.

## Clinical Studies

### Wegener's Granulomatosis\*

JOHN L. FAHEY, M.D., EDWARD LEONARD, M.D.,  
Bethesda, Maryland

JACOB CHURG, M.D. and GABRIEL GOODMAN, M.D.,  
New York, New York

WEGENER's granulomatosis is a syndrome identified pathologically by necrotizing granulomatous lesions of the respiratory tract, generalized arteritis and focal glomerulitis. Clinically it may be recognized by the combination of severe sinusitis or pulmonary inflammation, variable symptoms of arteritis and terminal renal insufficiency. Since the first case report by Klinger<sup>1</sup> and its formulation by Wegener<sup>2</sup> as an entity separable from the usual forms of periarteritis nodosa, a total of at least eighteen autopsied cases have been reported, principally in journals of pathology. In this paper a brief presentation of seven more patients with Wegener's granulomatosis, one of whom (Case vii) is still living and under treatment, is followed by a description of the clinical and pathologic features of the syndrome.

#### CASE REPORTS

**CASE I.** R. K., a forty-year-old office worker, was admitted to Presbyterian Hospital in 1951 because of massive collapse of her left lung. Past health had been good. The collapse occurred about ten days after she had suffered a traumatic rib fracture on the right. X-ray at the time of the fracture revealed no abnormalities in the lung parenchyma. At the same time severe sinusitis developed which persisted until her death. On admission she did not appear chronically ill. Her temperature was 102° F. and blood pressure was 140/90. Nasal mucous membranes were reddened and crusted with blood. An ulcer was present on the tongue. There were physical signs of left lung collapse. Postmortem laboratory findings included a hemiacrit of 34 per cent, white blood count of 12,890 per cu. mm. with no eosinophilia, erythrocyte sedimentation rate of

127 mm. in one hour, and normal urine. The admission chest x-ray revealed partial collapse of the left lung and an area of increased density in the lingula of the left upper lobe. Stenosis and ulceration of the left main bronchus were seen on bronchoscopy. It appeared likely that the bronchostenosis, in the face of impaired respiratory function secondary to the rib fracture, was responsible for the massive atelectasis.

For two weeks the patient ran a febrile course. The atelectasis cleared partially but signs of disease in the lingula persisted. Cultures of bronchial secretions grew *Staphylococcus aureus* and a gram-negative rod. No tubercle bacilli were found. The patient's course was altered neither by a variety of chemotherapeutic agents nor by bronchoscopy, bronchodilators or mechanical exsufflation. Because of continuing morbidity, incision and drainage of the lingula was performed. On the basis of the clinical picture and the granulomatous process found on pulmonary and bronchial biopsies, a diagnosis of Wegener's granulomatosis was entertained.

The patient's postoperative course was essentially unchanged, with continued fever and cough. About three weeks passed before she improved. However, ten days before death white cells and albumin appeared in her urine, oliguria developed and blood non-protein nitrogen rose from 35 to 112 mg. per cent. ACTH, 25 mg. every six hours, was started but she died three days later, two months after admission.

**Anatomic diagnosis:** Necrotizing and organizing giant granuloma involving the lingula of the left lung and left main bronchus, with stenosis of the bronchus; arteritis and phlebitis of lung, acute and healed. Focal necrotizing

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Original Lancet Submission Wegener's Granulomatosis

2000 Rejected

**Eponym**

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## Wegener's granulomatosis

*Alexander Woywodt, Marion Haubitz, Hermann Haller, Eric L Matteson*



## Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis (GPA)

- September, 1932, 8 months before Hitler seized power, Wegener became a member of the Sturm Abteilung (SA), or Brownshirts
- May 1, 1933 Hitler takes control of Germany – Wegener joins Nazi Party on that day
- Becomes a protégé of Martin Staemmler, a pathologist & notorious Nazi who is the author of several major textbooks of “Racial Hygiene”
- 1938 Promoted to SA-Sanitäts-Obersturmbannführer (lieutenant colonel)
- 1939-1944 Serves as an army pathologist in Lodz, Poland
- Specific crimes never confirmed but he almost certainly participated in selection of Jews For extermination and in autopsy studies of high altitude experiments. Labeled a war criminal by the Polish Ministry for the Interior. His name was forwarded to the United Nations War Crimes Commission

**ALLERGIC GRANULOMATOSIS, ALLERGIC ANGIITIS, AND  
PERIARTERITIS NODOSA \***

**JACOB CHURG, M.D., and LOTTE STRAUSS, M.D.**

**Am J Pathol. 1951 Apr; 27(2): 277-301**



**Churg Strauss Syndrome  
Eosinophilic Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis (GPA)  
(1910-2005) 1913 – 1985**

Born in Dolhinow, Poland  
MD University of Wilno (Vilna)  
1936 – Escaped to New York City  
Joined the staff at Mt. Sinai

Born in Nuremberg, Germany  
MD Sienna, Italy  
1938 Escaped to New York City  
First Pediatric Pathologist at Mt. Sinai

# NAZI EPONYMS

Named For:	Eponymous Term	Replacement term
<u>Hans Asperger</u>	<u>Asperger syndrome</u>	<u>Autism spectrum disorder</u>
<u>Yusuf Ibrahim</u>	Beck–Ibrahim disease	<u>Congenital cutaneous candidiasis</u>
<u>Hans Eppinger</u>	Cauchois–Eppinger–Frugoni syndrome	<u>Portal vein thrombosis</u>
<u>Max Clara</u>	Clara cell	<u>Club cell</u>
<u>Julius Hallervorden, Hugo Spatz</u>	Hallervorden–Spatz disease	<u>Pantothenate kinase-associated neurodegeneration</u>
<u>Hans Conrad Julius Reiter</u>	Reiter's syndrome	<u>Reactive arthritis</u>
<u>Franz Seitelberger</u>	Seitelberger disease	<u>Infantile neuroaxonal dystrophy</u>
<u>Hugo Spatz, Georg Stiefler</u>	Spatz–Stiefler reaction	<u>Paralysis agitans</u> reaction
<u>Hans Joachim Scherer</u>	Van Bogaert–Scherer–Epstein syndrome	<u>Cerebrotendinous xanthomatosis</u>
<u>Friedrich Wegener</u>	Wegener's granulomatosis	<u>Granulomatosis with polyangiitis</u>



# **Seldin at Dachau – Correcting Misremembered History**



**Capt. Donald W. Seldin swearing-in as an expert witness at Dachau Trial**

**Michael Emmett MD**







**Captain Donald W. Seldin**  
**1946**

**(9-9-9) Residency Training**



**98th General Hospital – Munich, Germany**



**Capt. Seldin swearing-in as an expert witness at the Dachau Trial  
Of a Nazi Physician who had participated in murderous human  
experimentation – largely related to the prevention and treatment of malaria**

National Commission for the Protection of Human  
Subjects of Biomedical and Behavioral Research  
(1974–1978).

**The  
Belmont  
Report**

Ethical Principles  
and Guidelines for  
the Protection of  
Human Subjects  
of Research

The National Commission  
for the Protection of Human Subjects  
of Biomedical and Behavioral  
Research

**1978**

**RESPECT FOR PERSONS:**

Individuals should be treated as  
autonomous agents

Persons with diminished autonomy  
are entitled to protection

**BENEFICIENCE**

Do not harm

Maximize benefits, minimize risks

**JUSTICE**

Equal distribution of burdens and  
benefits

To each person equal share

To each person according to individual  
need effort, societal contribution,  
and/or merit

## Seldin's 1981 Presidential Address to the Association of American Physicians



### PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

By DONALD W. SELDIN

#### THE BOUNDARIES OF MEDICINE

Members of the Association and guests:

At the end of the Second World War, while serving as a medical officer in Munich, Germany, I was called to testify as an expert witness at a trial in the nearby concentration camp of Dachau (Fig. 1). A Nazi physician was accused of causing the death, connected somehow with the treatment of infectious hepatitis, of some forty inmates. Previous testimony had established that the patients died following liver biopsies performed by the accused physician. From a legal point of view, a guilty verdict would follow the demonstration that the biopsies were experiments; the physician would be exonerated if the deaths followed, however regrettably, from legitimate medical practice.

The physician was knowledgeable, intelligent, and a former trainee at the Rockefeller Institute. However, some forty consecutive deaths following the performance of an alleged diagnostic procedure, the wholly experimental status of liver biopsy at the time, and the total lack of evidence of informed consent led to a verdict of guilty. The physician was convicted of murder and appropriately sentenced.

The unimaginable horror of the practices of Nazi physicians derives not simply from their viciousness but perhaps more significantly from the appalling degradation of humane values inherent in their behavior. We are, as physicians, concerned not simply with life but with human life—a life endowed with the full capacity for intentionality, free choice, and autonomy, and therefore entitled to respect.

But if medicine is concerned with human life, it is pertinent to inquire in what significantly relevant way such a concern is a medical concern. After all, priests and rabbis, artists, lawyers, sociologists, and economists also have as their focus human beings. A concern for human life is therefore not *ipso facto* a medical concern.

In the remarks that follow I shall argue that medicine is a very narrow discipline. Its goals may be defined as the relief of pain, the prevention of disability, and the postponement of death by the application of the theoretical knowledge incorporated in medical science to individual patients.

Two consequences flow from such a definition. On the one hand, in the restricted domain of biologic malfunction, medicine, although admittedly a comparatively weak scientific discipline, is nevertheless an extremely powerful instrumentality for the mitigation of suffering and in certain

OBITUARIES

May 1, 2018

The New York Times

***Dr. Donald Seldin, Who Put a Medical School  
on the Map, Dies at 97***

10/24/1920 – 4/25/2018



“Forty patients dying following liver biopsy pointed to medical inhumanity, not medical therapy” “He was convicted and appropriately sentenced.”

“He was convicted and sentenced to death”

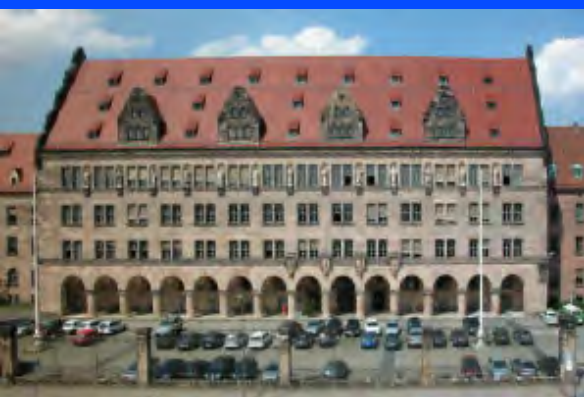
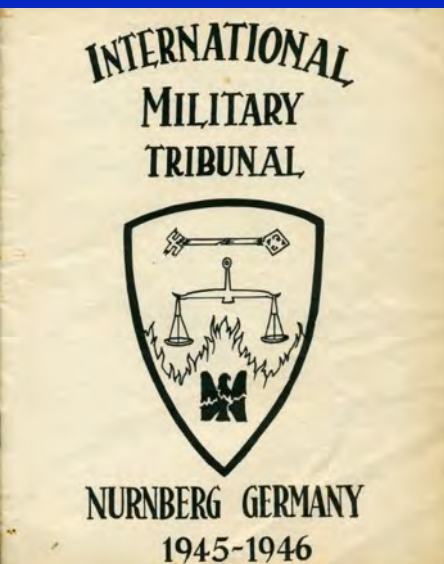


**About 1 year before his death Seldin asks me to see if I could identify the name of the Nazi Physician against whom he had testified at Dachau and elucidate the specifics of the trial. He recalled that the physician was:**

- A handsome man – about 40 yo**
- Spoke English very well**
- Participated in his own defense & “argued with great lucidity”**
- Very well educated; had trained & worked at the Robert Koch Institute**
- Internationally renowned investigator of malaria**
- Had received grants from the Rockefeller Foundation**
- Was convicted of murderous experiments and executed by hanging**

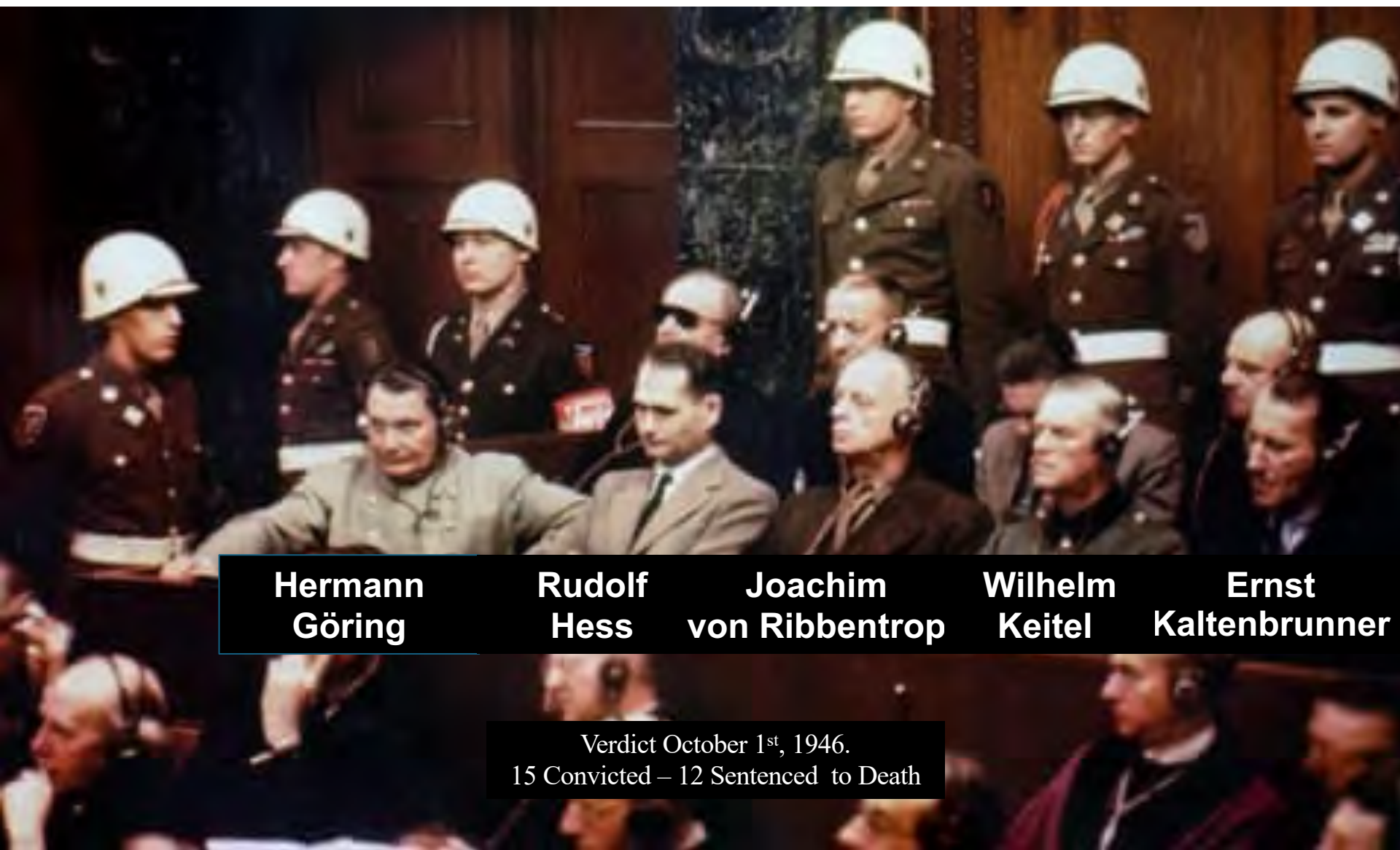
**Tehran Conference 28 November – 1 December 1943**





**Palace of Justice  
Nuremberg, Germany**

The International Military Tribunal (IMT)  
(USA, France, UK, and USSR)  
verses  
Hermann Goering et al  
(23 others including von Ribbentrop, Hess, and Speer)  
Convened on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 1945



**Hermann  
Göring**

**Rudolf  
Hess**

**Joachim  
von Ribbentrop**

**Wilhelm  
Keitel**

**Ernst  
Kaltenbrunner**

Verdict October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1946.  
15 Convicted – 12 Sentenced to Death

## **NUREMBERG IMT VERDICTS**

<b>Martin Bormann (Death in absentia)</b>	<b>Robert Ley (No Decision – Suicide prior to trial start)</b>
<b>Karl Doenitz (10 years)</b>	<b>Baron Konstantin von Neurath (15 years)</b>
<b>Hans Frank (Death)</b>	<b>Franz von Papen (Acquittal)</b>
<b>Wilhelm Frick (Death)</b>	<b>Erich Raeder (Life)</b>
<b>N. Hans Fritzsche (Acquittal)</b>	<b>Joachim von Ribbentrop (Death)</b>
<b>Walter Funk (Life)</b>	<b>Alfred Rosenberg (Death)</b>
<b>Hermann Wilhelm Goering (Death - Cyanide Suicide before Execution)</b>	<b>Fritz Sauckel (Death)</b>
<b>Rudolf Hess (Life)</b>	<b>Hjalmar Schact (Acquittal)</b>
<b>Alfred Jodl (Death)</b>	<b>Baldur von Shirach (20 Years)</b>
<b>Ernst Kaltenbrunner (Death)</b>	<b>Arthur Seyss-Inquart (Death)</b>
<b>Wilhelm Keitel (Death)</b>	<b>Albert Speer (20 Years)</b>
<b>Gustav Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach (No Decision)</b>	<b>Julius Streicher (Death)</b>

# Nuremberg Military Tribunals

## USA Only

- NMT 1 Medical (“Doctors”) Trial USA v. Karl Brandt et al. 1946-47
- NMT 2 USA v. Erhard Milch 1946-47
- NMT 3 Judges Trial USA v. Josef Altstoetter et al. 1947
- NMT 4 USA v. Oswald Pohl et al. 1947
- NMT 5 USA v. Friedrich Flick et al. 1947
- NMT 6 I. G. Farben (USA v. Carl Krauch et al. 1947-48
- NMT 7 Hostage Case USA v. Wilhelm List et al. 1947-48
- NMT 8 USA v. Ulrich Greifelt et al. 1947-48
- NMT 9 Einsatzgruppen Case (USA v. Otto Ohlendorf et al. 1947-48
- NMT 10 USA v. Alfred Krupp et al. 1947-48
- NMT 11 Ministries Case USA v. Ernst von Weizsaecker et al. 1947-49
- NMT 12 High Command Case USA v. Wilhelm von Leeb et al. 1947-48



**Nuremberg Medical (“Doctors”) Trial**  
**USA v. Karl Brandt et al.**  
**12/9/1946 – 8/20/1947**

**Karl Brandt**

**14 Convicted – 7 Executed**  
**9 Acquitted**

# **A result of the Nuremberg Medical (“Doctors”) Trial:**

## **The Nuremberg Code**

**10 points which define "Permissible Medical Experiments"**

- 1. Voluntary informed consent**
- 2. Fruitful result For the good of society**
- 3. Prior experimentation on animals, and prior knowledge of the problem**
- 4. Avoidance of unnecessary physical or mental injury**
- 5. Banning of known lethal or disabling procedures**
- 6. Degree of risks should not exceed benefits**
- 7. Proper preparation and facilities to prevent injury or death**
- 8. Performance of experiments only by scientifically qualified people**
- 9. Participants may freely end the experiment**
- 10. The experiment must stop if it proves too dangerous**

# Besatzungszonen (Occupation Zones) im Jahre 1945



### Dachau Trials

8/1945 - 12/1947

A series of non-jury trials  
Proof of innocence burden was  
on the defense

Verdicts were determined by a  
panel of seven military officers  
1,672 German alleged war criminals  
were tried in 489 separate

Proceedings.

1,416 former Nazis were convicted  
297 Death Sentences –  
most were commuted



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**Dachau Trials**

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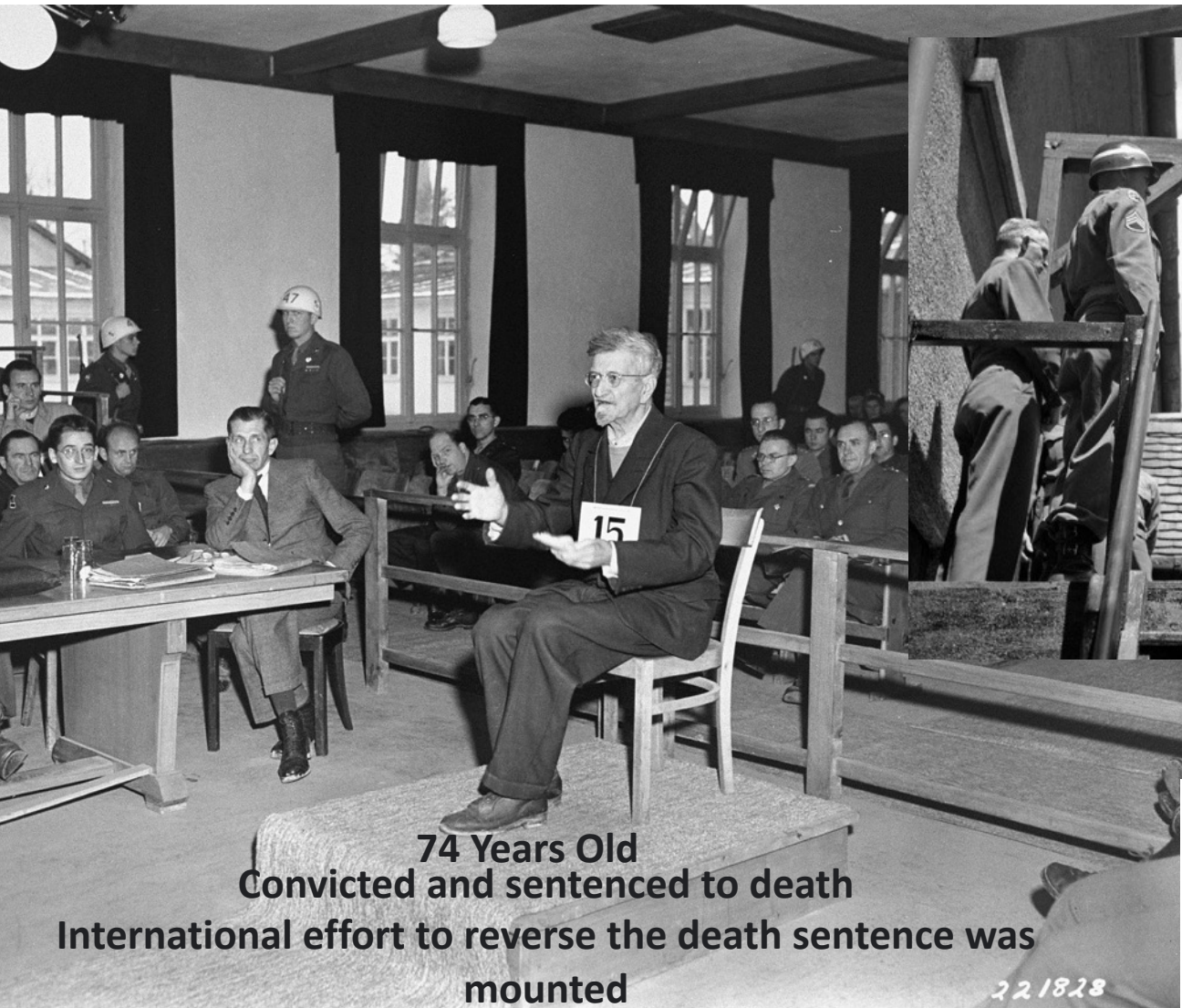
Nuremberg International  
Military Tribunal (IMT)

Nuremberg Doctors'  
Trial

United States of America v. Martin Gottfried Weiss et al  
40 defendants – 36 received Death Sentence and 28 were executed

Claus Karl Schilling MD





**74 Years Old  
Convicted and sentenced to death  
International effort to reverse the death sentence was  
mounted**



## **Claus Karl Schilling MD**

- Internationally renowned investigator of tropical diseases including sleeping sickness and malaria.
- Trained and worked at the Robert Koch Institute (He was one of Koch's students)
- Before WWII conducted many human malaria experiments in Germany, Africa, and India
- Professor of Parasitology University of Berlin
- Member of the Malaria Commission of the League of Nations
- Received at least two grants from

**Claus Karl Schilling  
MD**

**Executed  
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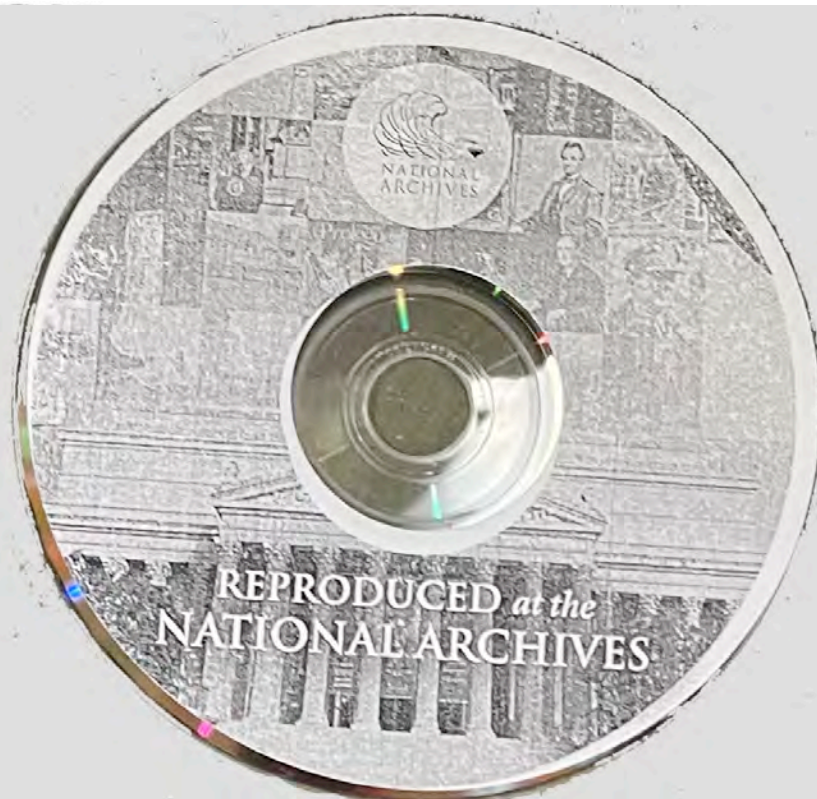
## Dachau Trials

Nuremberg International  
Military Tribunal (IMT)

Schilling Executed  
05/28/1946

Seldin Arrives  
in Germany  
07/1946

Nuremberg Doctors'  
Trial



Earl Zimmerman	479	485	514	518	519
Rudolf Brachtel	512	487			

#### EXHIBITS

Number	Description	Marked	Rec'd in Evidence
D-1	Sketch of Dachau Hospital	297	297
D-2	Trans of Article from Frankfurter Zeitschrift für Pathologie	373	374
D-3	Sketch by Dr. Brachtel	563	

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DONALD SILDEN, called as a witness by the prosecution, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

#### DIRECT EXAMINATION

#### QUESTIONS BY PROSECUTION:

Q Captain, will you state your name, rank, branch of service and serial number?

A Donald W. Silden, Captain, O-1704951, Branch of Service, Medical Corps.

Q That is the Medical Corps of the United States?

A Yes sir.

Q What is your present assignment or duty?

A I am Assistant Chief of the Medical Service, 96th General Hospital.

A black and white photograph of a man in a military uniform, likely a German SS officer, standing in profile facing right. He is wearing a dark uniform with a peaked cap. Behind him is a large American flag with its stars and stripes clearly visible. The setting appears to be indoors, possibly a courtroom or a formal hall, with a wooden floor and a dark background.

## **Rudolf Adalbert Brachtel, MD**

**Captain in the SS (Hauptsturm-Führer)**

He had performed between 80 -180 liver biopsies, without consent, aseptic technique or anesthesia. Some normal individuals were biopsied as “controls”.

Some resulted in fatal hemorrhage. He was also responsible for selection of sick camp prisoners for gassing. He participated in some human freezing experiment

**“Acquitted”**

**Practiced medicine in Giessen Germany**

**Died at age 79 yo**

**Nuremberg Medical Trial  
USA v. Karl Brandt et al.  
12/9/1946 – 8/20/1947**



**Karl Brandt**

"All the News  
That's Fit to Print"

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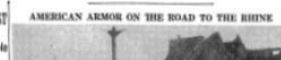
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9th Gains Approaches  
to 2 Spans as 1st Cuts  
Enemy Lines in South

## New Drugs to Combat Malaria Are Tested in Prisons for Army

By WILLIAM L. LAURENCE

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, March 4 — The Division of Medical Sciences of the National Research Council today lifted the curtain of secrecy on a series of far-reaching tests in which several hundred prisoners in three of the country's large penal institutions have volunteered to serve as living test-tubes for new potent drugs developed by our chemists against malaria, which afflicts 800,000,000 persons over the world.

To carry out the tests under the strictest possible conditions, on a scale never tried before, the prisoners first allow themselves to be bitten by mosquitoes carrying the parasites of malaria.

Then they expose themselves to further and even greater danger by

taking varying doses of the new drugs to determine whether the chemicals can safely be given to our fighting men exposed to malaria and how large a dose can be tolerated by the human system.

Pointing out that no promise of reward of any kind has been given to the prisoners, the report stated: "The men accept full responsibility for any ill effects, aware of the risk and discomfort to themselves and knowing, too, that despite every care, there is a real hazard involved. These one-time enemies to society appreciate to the fullest extent just how completely this is everybody's war."

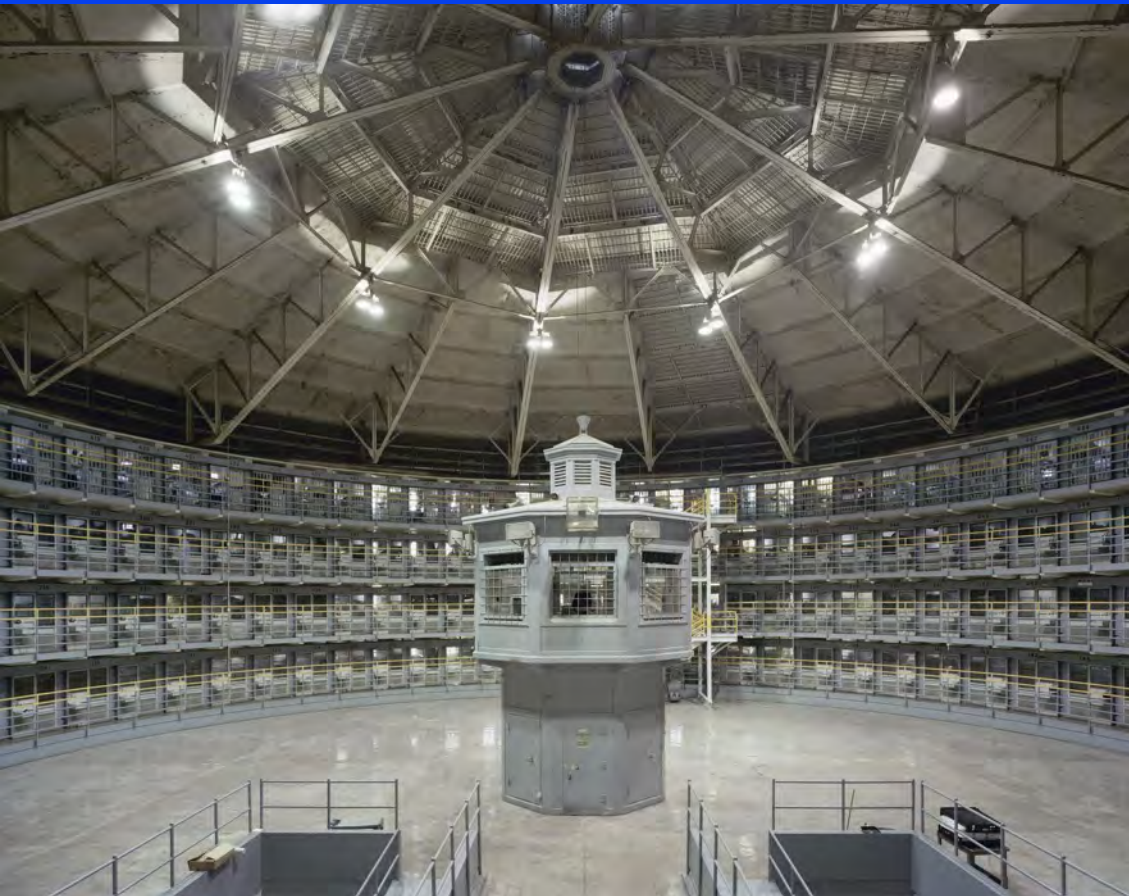
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## PRISON MALARIA

Convicts expose themselves to disease so doctors can study it

In three U. S. penitentiaries men who have been imprisoned as enemies of society are now helping science fight another enemy of society. At the U. S. Penitentiary in Atlanta, the Illinois State Penitentiary and New Jersey State Reformatory some 800 convicts have volunteered to be infected with malaria so medical men can study the disease. The experimenters, who are directed by the Office of Scientific Research and Development, have found prison life ideal for controlled laboratory work with humans.

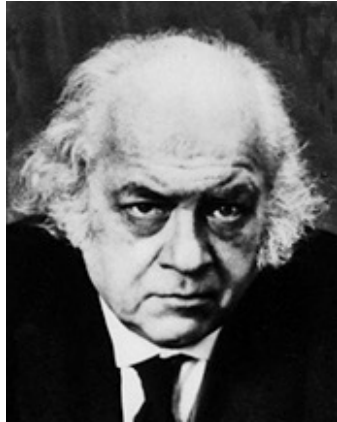
Their subjects all eat the same food, sleep the same hours and are never far away. The prisoners are not punished or paroled for submitting to infection. Prison malaria experiments underline the fact that malaria is still a very serious medical problem. In the U. S. there are 1,000,000 cases a year. The existing drugs (mainly quinine and atabrine) control malaria but cannot keep it from recurring long after the original infection. The goal of malaria research is to find a new drug which will cure the disease permanently.

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# **“Doctor’s Trial”**

## **US Army Prosecution’s Two Major Witnesses re Ethics of Medical Experiments**



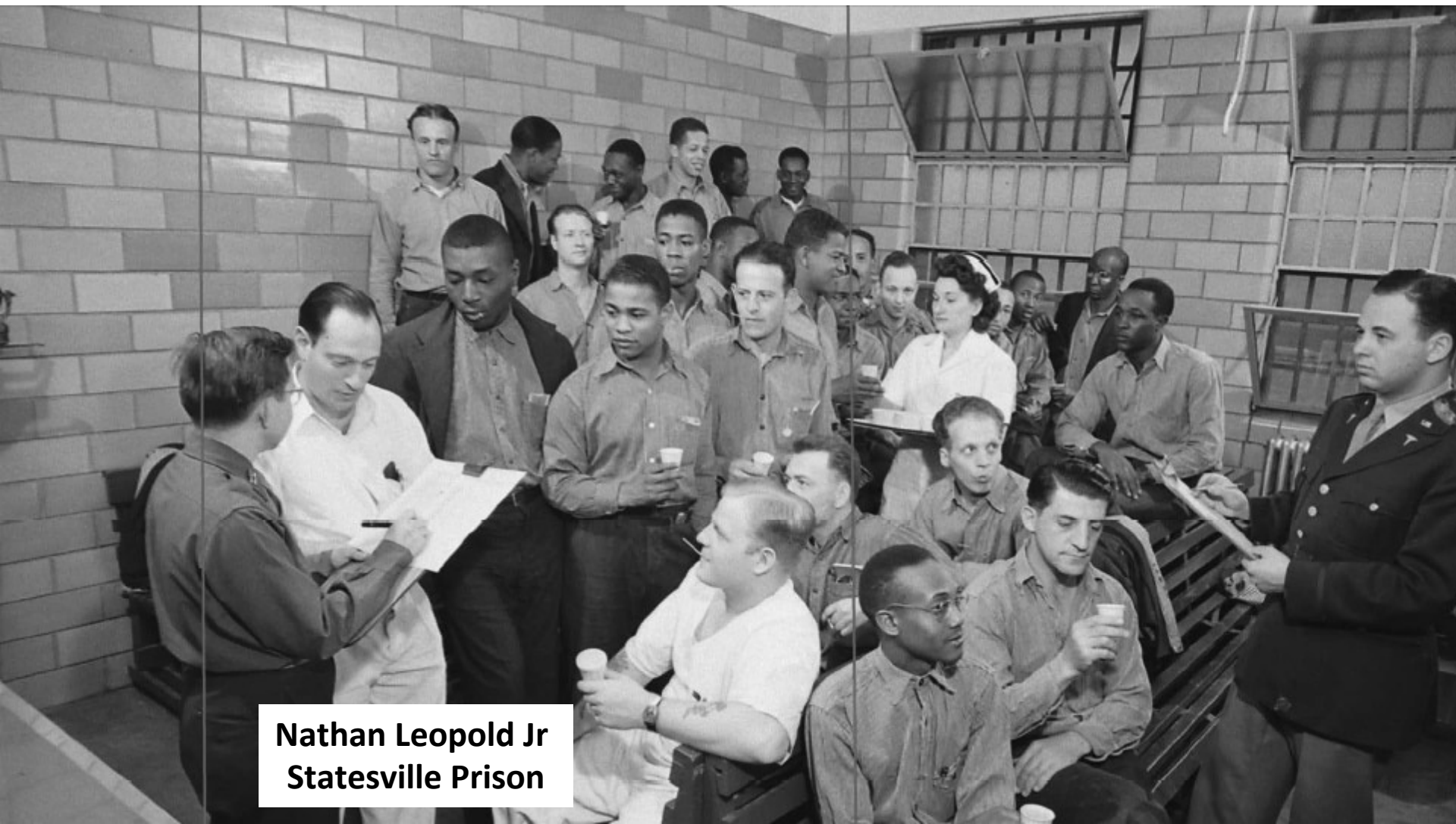
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“any experiment on prisoners is unethical because prisoners are in a forced situation and cannot be volunteers, regardless of what they say or sign.”

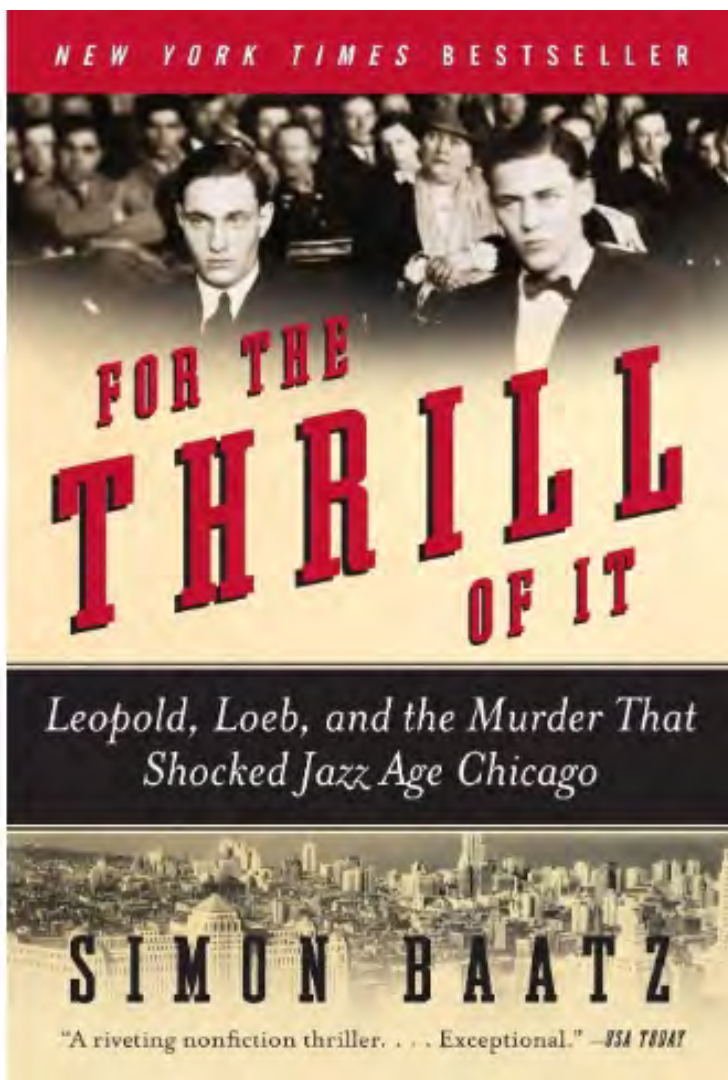


**Dr. Andrew C. Ivy**

Ivy was forced to acknowledge that no written research principles existed in the USA before 12/1946 & the AMA “principles” were formulated only for the purpose of the Medical Trial.



**Nathan Leopold Jr  
Statesville Prison**



Leopold and Loeb confessed to the murder of 14-year-old Bobby Franks for "the thrill and satisfaction of pulling off the perfect crime". This was called "The Crime of the Century"

At their sentencing hearing defense attorney Clarence Darrow, delivered his most famous speech - 12 hour long. He was successful in having them avoid the death penalty. Each was sentenced to "life plus 99 years". A Adlai Stevenson commuted Leopold's sentence "...largely on the grounds of his voluntary participation in war-time malaria experiments..." making him eligible for parole, which occurred on 3/13/1958

The New York Times  
September 23, 1949

## Nathan Leopold Wins Early Parole in '53 Because He Volunteered for Malaria Tests

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Sept. 22 (I.P.)—The Illinois Parole Board to- war-time malaria experiments at the prison. Governor Stevenson



Nathan Leopold Jr  
Statesville Prison

The New York Times  
February 21, 1958

## A 'Changed' Man Nathan Leopold

NATHAN LEOPOLD, granted freedom yesterday, has said he has undergone a complete physical and psychological change in his thirty-three years in prison. When he went to prison for the "thrill" killing of 14-year-old Bobby Franks, Leopold was a slender, black-haired, good-look-

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ing youth of 19. Now he describes himself as a "fat, balding man" of 53. Then, he says, he was "a wild, ir-

responsible kid." Now, in a book published last year and in subsequent prison interviews, he has promised to live a decent law-abiding life and try to be useful to society.




Leopold was a highly educated and intelligent boy, the third son of a wealthy Chi-



## Verdicts - Nuremberg “Doctor’s” Trial USA v. Karl Brandt et al. 1946-47

	Hermann Becker-Freyseng MD	20 Y
	Wilhelm Beiglböck MD	15 Y
	Kurt Blome MD	Acquitted
	Viktor Brack	Death
	Karl Brandt	Death
	Rudolf Brandt	Death
	Fritz Fischer MD	Life
	Karl Gebhardt MD	Death

	Karl Genzken MD	Life
	Siegfried Handloser MD	Life
	Waldemar Hoven MD	Death
	Joachim Mrugowsky MD	Death
	Herta Oberheuser MD	20 Y
	Helmut Poppendick MD	10 Y
	Adolf Pokorny MD	Acquitted
	Hans-Wolfgang Romberg MD	Acquitted

	Gerhard Rose MD	Life
	Paul Rostock MD	Acquitted
	Siegfried Ruff MD	Acquitted
	Oskar Schröder MD	Life
	Konrad Schäfer MD	Acquitted
	Wolfram Sievers	Death
	Georg August Veltz MD	Acquitted

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