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Himmler's Jewish Tailor - Mark Lewis 2000-02-01

Jacob Frank survived four Nazi concentration camps, including Dachau and the little-known Lipowa Labor Camp in Poland. His extraordinary skills as a tailor led him to head Heinrich Himmler's two-hundred-fifty-tailor operation, and put him into contact with such notorious SS officers as Eichmann, Gaeth, and Globocnik. An eyewitness to major Nazi operations and atrocities, Frank's intimate knowledge of beatings, torture, and murder brought him to Hamburg in 1974 to testify in the war crimes trial of Wolfgang Mohwinkel and other SS officers. Frank's account of his imprisonment at Lipowa details how factories operated within the labor camp system, the construction of Majdanek, and how he learned of mass shootings in nearby villages. The only survivor of his sixty-four-member family, Frank provides the only firsthand account in English of Lublin and the destruction of its Jewish quarter. Amid the horrors and everyday minutia of life under the Nazis, he reflects on the role of faith, the will to live, and the temptation of suicide. Frank also examines survivor guilt, Jewish identity, the psychology of victims and perpetrators, and the role of memory.

SS 1 - Hugh Thomas 2001

An examination of the curious demise of Reichsfuehrer SS Heinrich Himmler that investigates an extraordinary web of secret deals and international intrigue.

The Capture and Murder of Reichsfuehrer SS Heinrich Himmler - David Myhra PhD 2013-09-28

Nazi Germany formally surrendered on May 9th 1945. Post war one major participant was missing and that was the monster Heinrich Himmler...killer of an estimated 8 to 9 million innocent European citizens. He and nearly a dozen of his gang went missing for almost two weeks after the end of the war. The United States, England, France and the Soviet Union wanted him. The millions who died in his concentration camps cried out for justice. Find him. Arrest him. Bring him to Nuremberg for his crimes against humanity...and let him hang in the gallows with those other Nazi criminals! The story presented here is true. A member of the CIC, under the direction of Allan Dulles sent men throughout Germany to hunt him down and arrest him. The names of these operatives are unknown, so we've made up the name of one individual that is typical of the CIC hunters like those out to arrest Himmler. We'll call this typical CIC hunter U.S. Army Bird Colonel Calvin Metz. Like other CIC hunters, he virtually had a license to kill and he feared no one because his boss was none other than five-star General, Dwight D. Eisenhower! So, Colonel Metz had a free pass to go throughout the former Nazi Germany regardless of what ally controlled the zone. Metz and his small detail drove throughout the former Nazi Germany searching and searching and pissing off the British who believed that no Americans were allowed in their zone of occupation. An American hunter was completely unwelcome but Metz was on a mission authorized by General Eisenhower and not even the British dared to deny him passage. Unfortunately, the British stumbled upon Himmler and his gang...just mere hours before Metz. Himmler was arrested one morning in Northwest Germany, near Hamburg. The next day he was dead...by cyanide poisoning. The British claimed that he had hidden a capsule in his teeth. Nonsense! The capsule had to have been shoved down his throat! British details of this act have been classified for 100 years, until 2045. And so, Himmler was never brought to trial and this was a crime in itself, to all those millions of murdered Jews

and Europeans that deserved justice. This is the story of why we believe the British summarily executed Heinrich Himmler the day after he was arrested and the cover-up which continues today.

Heinrich Himmler - Max Williams 2014

"I was following orders." The answer most commonly quoted by SS men accused of atrocious crimes after Germany had surrendered in 1945. But who gave those orders? Who was the mastermind behind the sophisticated machinery which allowed men from normal family backgrounds to kill on such a scale? The right man at the right time, fate steered Heinrich Himmler to take control of an organization destined to carry out Hitler's racial policies. This study not only sets out in detail how Heinrich Himmler's daily routine allowed him to implement Nazi strategy, but it also provides illustrations of the man behind much of it, both at work and at home. Of all the personalities of history demonized by postwar writers, Heinrich Himmler ranks among the most reviled. His legacy is one of hatred, violence and cold blooded murder on a vast scale. A Jekyll and Hyde character, variously described by his generation and those who followed as charming, loyal, polite, a pedant, an eccentric, an organizational genius, a fool, a desk killer and a loving father. The camera allows us into his world, albeit temporarily, and we can equate his busy, but mostly mundane schedule with contemporary images frozen in time. REVIEWS "text as engaging as the illustrations, and highly recommend this marvelous book to all who think they've seen everything about Heinrich Himmler. Military Advisor *Himmler's Third Reich. His involvement in Nazi Germany and the Nazis medical experiments* - Dana Bowen 2014-11-26

Essay from the year 2013 in the subject History Europe - Germany - National Socialism, World War II, grade: A, University of Alaska Fairbanks, course: Modern World History, language: English, abstract: An examination of Himmler's effect on Nazi Germany, with a focus on his involvement with the medical experiments the Nazi's conducted during World War Two. Includes direct proof of Himmler's involvement, including letters written by Himmler ordering the medical experiments.

The Himmler Brothers - Katrin Himmler 2012-05-31

Katrin Himmler's cool but meticulous examination of the Himmler story reveals - in all its dark complexity - the gulf between the 'normality' of bourgeois family life and the horrors perpetrated by one member. This riveting family memoir provides essential new information on the private life and background of one of the twentieth-century's most notorious killers - not a lone evil executioner, but a middle-class family man, loved and fully supported by his respectable German family. It also offers a unique account of one women's courageous attempt to deal with her chilling inheritance. 'It is part of the creeping discomfort in reading her book to realise the incredibly ordinary middle-class background of these three sons of a rather pompous provincial headmaster and to see how, right until the end, he was almost able to convince himself it hadn't happened like it had' Sunday Times 'You get a vivid sense of a particular kind of German conservatism - Roman Catholic, monarchist - and of how, weirdly, it found an outlet in the upstart, part-pagan thuggery of Nazism' Independent 'One can only admire her bravery . . . In a way, Katrin Himmler's book is not a story about the past, but one about the present. The most interesting details are the ones she gives of her own quest' Daily Telegraph

[Heinrich Himmler](#) - Franz Wegener 2013-07-03

What, at best, has been mentioned in previous monographs about

Himmler as the second most powerful man of National-Socialism in passing, the historian Franz Wegener develops in greater depth: Himmler's mind was open to diverse occult influences originating in Germany as well as France. Thus he wrote about a book of the German spiritualist, Carl du Prel, who experimented with hovering tables and mediums: "A small scientific work on a philosophical basis which truly has me believe in spiritualism and was the first to really introduce me to it." He received Gaston de Mengel, a British occultist, who wrote for the mysterious occult group of the Polaires in Paris, and who collaborated closely with the founder of the esoteric university in Nice. As researched by Wegener, Himmler purchased himself a manual for "pendulum practice and pendulum magic," and in this way came also in touch with the theory of the gnostic "Od." He believed in the "transmigration of souls," attempted to obtain horoscopes from a Munich astrologer and his various occult advisors, and agreed with the hypotheses of Karl Heise ("Okkultes Logentum," 1921) that occult powers were pulling the strings behind Communists, Jews, and Freemasons. On this background Wegener does not allow Himmler's tendency about occult subjects pass as a mere private matter: "If Himmler's image of the enemy with respect to Freemasonry and Jews was fed also by occult patterns, one can no longer speak of a 'private matter,' since the political and, by no means, private consequence of Himmler's occult world view must be called mass murder."

Himmler: Hitler's Henchman - Ian Baxter 2022-06-30

Heinrich Himmler has a strong claim to be Adolf Hitler's most powerful subordinate. He was certainly the main architect of the Holocaust. Appointed Reichsführer-SS in 1929 he built the SS into a million strong paramilitary force and took control of the Nazi concentration camps system. From 1943 he became Chief of German Police and Minister of the Interior with command of the Gestapo as well as the Einsatzgruppen, who committed appalling atrocities and murder in occupied Eastern Europe and Russia. Despite his lack of military experience in the closing stages of the War he was appointed by Hitler as Commander of Army Group Vistula. Realising the war was lost, Himmler attempted to open peace talks with the Allies. Learning of this, Hitler dismissed him of all his posts in April 1945. Detained and arrested by British forces, he committed suicide on 22 May 1945. The wartime career of this cruel and capable man is captured brilliantly with contemporary fully captioned images in this Images of War series work.

Heinrich Himmler - Rolf Michaelis 2017-02-28

Reichsführer-SS, Chief of German Police, Reich Commissar for the Consolidation of German Nationhood, Reich Minister of the Interior, Commander of the Replacement Army, and Commander-in-Chief of Army Group Vistula--Heinrich Himmler ultimately combined all of these positions in his person. All of his roles are described and explained in detail for the first time in this comprehensive book. What were the tasks of the Security Police compared to the SD (Security Service)? What was the function of the Dienststelle SS-Obergruppenführer Heißmeyer? These and other questions are answered in this book, which also describes combat operations by the Waffen-SS and the Ordnungspolizei. The resettlement of the ethnic Germans and the deportation of the Jewish populations of Europe also form part of the book, as do the detailed history of Army Group Vistula. A total of 275 illustrations, together with the complete texts of several of Himmler's speeches complete this outstanding book about the man responsible for the implementation of National-Socialist policy.

Himmler's Hostages - Tom Wall 2021-01-18

The notorious Nazi leader's attempt to take war prisoners hostage at the end of WWII is revealed in this lively and expertly researched history. During the final weeks of the Second World War, Heinrich Himmler assembled the most famous and noteworthy SS prisoners be taken hostage. Himmler's plan was to use these individuals as bargaining chips to save the Reich—or, failing that, himself. Known as the Prominenten, this group included European politicians and former heads of state, five British survivors of the 'Great Escape,' two MI5 agents, and Irish born POWs. This meticulously researched study sheds new light on how the British prisoners came to be integrated with a multinational group of VIPs in Dachau concentration camp,

including German family groups of men, women and children; relatives of those implicated in plot to kill Hitler. The lively narrative describes kidnapping, escape attempts, interpersonal conflict, betrayal and comradeship. It also reveals intrigues and love affairs among the prisoners, culminating in their dramatic attempt to free themselves from the SS.

The Architect of Genocide - Richard Breitman 1991

A biography of Heinrich Himmler, who devised the plans that enabled the Holocaust to take place

Himmler - Peter Padfield 1993

A portrait of the head of Hitler's SS police and Gestapo draws on diaries, letters, and speeches to describe Himmler's life, the evolution of his beliefs, his role in Nazi Germany, and his impact on the rise and fall of the Third Reich

The Strange Death of Heinrich Himmler - Hugh Thomas 2002-03-22

On 22 May 1945, in the immediate aftermath of World War II, the Allies celebrated the capture of the most important member of the Nazi hierarchy, Reichsführer Heinrich Himmler. The SS leader was arrested and interrogated but committed suicide in Allied custody by ingesting poison from a capsule concealed in his mouth. Then he was buried at a secret site on Lüneberg Heath. But Himmler did not rest in peace, if Himmler it was who was buried there. Months later the British disinterred, re-examined, and cremated his body. Yet in 1946 MI6's most talented, if treacherous, agent, Kim Philby, was still not convinced that the story of Himmler's death made any sense at all. Philby realized that a man of Himmler's organizational genius, a plotter of great intricacy and sophistication who recognized Germany's inevitable defeat as early as 1943, was unlikely to have just blundered into the arms of the Allies. What really happened? Hugh Thomas set out to answer Philby's question and uncovered a maze of corruption, high finance, political gambles, and international intrigue. The Strange Death of Heinrich Himmler unearths not just Himmler's grave, but reveals secrets that have long remained buried, and shadowy figures who would rather stay that way.

Warsaw 1944 - Alexandra Richie 2013-12-10

The full untold story of how one of history's bravest revolts ended in one of its greatest crimes In 1943, the Nazis liquidated Warsaw's Jewish ghetto. A year later, they threatened to complete the city's destruction by deporting its remaining residents. A sophisticated and cosmopolitan community a thousand years old was facing its final days—and then opportunity struck. As Soviet soldiers turned back the Nazi invasion of Russia and began pressing west, the underground Polish Home Army decided to act. Taking advantage of German disarray and seeking to forestall the absorption of their country into the Soviet empire, they chose to liberate the city of Warsaw for themselves. Warsaw 1944 tells the story of this brave, and errant, calculation. For more than sixty days, the Polish fighters took over large parts of the city and held off the SS's most brutal forces. But in the end, their efforts were doomed. Scorned by Stalin and unable to win significant support from the Western Allies, the Polish Home Army was left to face the full fury of Hitler, Himmler, and the SS. The crackdown that followed was among the most brutal episodes of history's most brutal war, and the celebrated historian Alexandra Richie depicts this tragedy in riveting detail. Using a rich trove of primary sources, Richie relates the terrible experiences of individuals who fought in the uprising and perished in it. Her clear-eyed narrative reveals the fraught choices and complex legacy of some of World War II's most unsung heroes.

Heinrich Himmler - Bradley F. Smith 1971

Top Nazi - Jochen von Lang 2013-05-14

The only biography of General Karl Wolff, Heinrich Himmler's assistant in the notorious SS

Himmler's Secret War - Martin A. Allen 2005

Ever since the end of the Second World War, the name of Heinrich Himmler has been synonymous with all that was evil in Nazi Germany. Martin Allen's access to previously reticent individuals including several top Nazis and Himmler's daughter, reveals a remarkable story with numerous explosive revelations.

The Private Heinrich Himmler - Katrin Himmler 2016-03-08

At the end of World War II, it was assumed that the letters of Heinrich Himmler were lost. Yet sixty years after Himmler's

capture by British troops and subsequent suicide, the letters mysteriously turned up in Tel Aviv and, in early 2014, excerpts were published for the first time by the Israeli newspaper Yediot Aharonot providing a rare, if jarring, glimpse into the family life of one of Hitler's top lieutenants while he was busy organizing the mass extermination of the Jews. It was generally held that Himmler, once appointed head of the SS, blended seamlessly into the Nazi hierarchy. The image that emerges, however, is more subtle. Himmler is seen here as a man whose observations can often be characterized by their unpleasant banality; a man whose obsession with family life ran alongside a brutal detachment from all things human, a serial killer who oversaw the persecution and extermination of all Jews and other non-Aryans, and those opposed to the regime. His letters remove any doubt that he was the architect of the Final Solution, and a man who was much closer to Hitler than many historians previously thought. The letters in this edition were arranged by Katrin Himmler, the great-niece of Heinrich and Marga Himmler while Michael Wildt, a renowned expert on the Nazi regime, provides historical context to the letters and their author. The entire work was translated by Thomas S. Hansen and Abby J. Hansen.

Himmler's Crusade - Christopher Hale 2003

In 1938, on the eve of war, a Nazi expedition set out through British India on a mission sponsored by Himmler himself. Their aim was to find the roots of the Aryan people, high in the sacred mountains of Tibet. It was led by two complex individuals - one, Ernst Schafer, a swashbuckling naturalist who was using the Nazis to pursue his own ends, the other, Bruno Beger, so committed to the cause he ended up conducting experiments on prisoners in Auschwitz. The expedition quickly found itself battling hostility from the British, being manipulated by the Tibetans and struggling with the primitive conditions of Lhasa. Every step was recorded in diaries, letters and reports back to Delhi and London by the suspicious British, and to Berlin by the Germans. It was also documented in masses of extraordinary photographs, many of which are reproduced here.

Heinrich Himmler's Cultural Commissions - James Dow 2018-05-29

How the Nazis co-opted folklore to serve their vision of the German Reich.

Himmler's Auxiliaries - Valdis O. Lumans 2000-11-09

Lumans studies the relations between Nazi Germany and the German minority populations of other European countries, examining these ties within the context of Hitler's foreign policy and the racial policies of SS Chief Heinrich Himmler. He shows how the Reich's racial and political interests in these German minorities between 1933 and 1945 helped determine its behavior toward neighboring states. Originally published in 1993. A UNC Press Enduring Edition -- UNC Press Enduring Editions use the latest in digital technology to make available again books from our distinguished backlist that were previously out of print. These editions are published unaltered from the original, and are presented in affordable paperback formats, bringing readers both historical and cultural value.

Commando Himmler - Sven Hassel 2012-06-15

Sono stati picchiati, torturati, minacciati di morte, finché non si sono decisi a firmare l'ingaggio. Sono il battaglione disciplinare 999, l'arma segreta di Hitler. La guerra dura ormai da cinque anni e il Führer ha bisogno di tutti gli uomini che è possibile rastrellare, anche i comuni criminali. Tocca alla compagnia di veterani di Hassel addestrare i nuovi soldati e poi prendere parte insieme a loro alla feroce battaglia che devasterà Varsavia, e l'intero popolo polacco con lei.

Nazi Mysticism - Source Wikipedia 2013-09

Please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from Wikipedia or other free sources online. Pages: 65. Chapters: Heinrich Himmler, Thule Society, Religious aspects of Nazism, Nazism and occultism, Ahnenerbe, Julleuchter, Vrill, 1938-1939 German expedition to Tibet, Nazi archaeology, Esoteric Nazism, Karl Maria Wiligut, Nazi UFOs, Die Glocke, Karl Spiesberger, Friedrich Bernhard Marby, Irminenschaft, Karl Ernst Krafft, Jan Udo Holey, Johannes Balzli, The Occult Roots of Nazism, Ludwig Straniak, Siegfried Adolf Kummer, Theodor Berkelmann, Das Geheimnis der Runen, German Faith Movement, Sig, List of terms in Germanic mysticism, Wilhelm Wulff, Bruno

Schweizer, Zodiac and Swastika, A. Frank Glahn, Wiligut runes, Occult Reich, Hitler and the occult. Excerpt: Heinrich Luitpold Himmler (pronounced 7 October 1900 - 23 May 1945) was Reichsführer of the SS, a military commander, and a leading member of the Nazi Party. As Chief of the German Police and later the Minister of the Interior, Himmler oversaw all internal and external police and security forces, including the Gestapo (Secret State Police). Serving as Reichsführer and later as Commander of the Replacement (Home) Army and General Plenipotentiary for the entire Reich administration (Generalbevollmächtigter für die Verwaltung), Himmler rose to become one of the most powerful men in Nazi Germany as well as one of the persons most directly responsible for the Holocaust. As overseer of the concentration camps, extermination camps, and Einsatzgruppen (literally: task forces, often used as killing squads), Himmler coordinated the killing of some six million Jews, between 200,000 and 500,000 Roma, many prisoners of war, and possibly another three to four million Poles, communists, or other groups whom the Nazis deemed unworthy to live or simply "in the way," including homosexuals, people with physical and mental disabilities, Jehovah's Witnesses and members of the Confessing...

Himmler's Crusade - Christopher Hale 2003-10-20

"As the Indiana Jones films showed, Nazis, new age mumbo-jumbo and exotic locations are a formula that works. Christopher Hale's gripping and well-researched tale of an SS-sponsored scientific mission to Tibet in 1938-39 has the whole shebang: mad occult beliefs, mountains, strange characters called Bruno or Ernst and stomach-churning concentration camp experiments to round things off." —The Sunday Times (London) A scientific expedition or a sinister mission? Why would the leader of the Nazi's dreaded SS, the second-most-powerful man in the Third Reich, send a zoologist, an anthropologist, and several other scientists to Tibet on the eve of war? Himmler's Crusade tells the bizarre and chilling story one of history's most perverse, eccentric, and frightening scientific expeditions. Drawing on private journals, new interviews, and original research in German archives as well as in Tibet, author Christopher Hale recreates the events of this sinister expedition, asks penetrating questions about the relationship between science and politics, and sheds new light on the occult theories that obsessed Himmler and his fellow Nazis. Combining the highest standards of narrative history with the high adventure and exotic locales of Raiders of the Lost Ark, Himmler's Crusade reveals that Himmler had ordered these men to examine Tibetan nobles for signs of Aryan physiology, undermine the British relationship with the ruling class, and sow the seeds of rebellion among the populace. Most strangely, the scientists—all SS officers—were to find scientific proof of a grotesque historical fantasy that was at the center of Himmler's beliefs about race. Set against the exquisite backdrop of the majestic Himalayas, this fast-paced and engaging narrative provides new and troubling insight into one of the strangest episodes in the history of science, politics, and war.

Heinrich Himmler - Roger Manvell 2007-09-17

Authors Roger Manvell and Heinrich Fraenkel, notable biographers of the World War II German leaders Joseph Goebbels and Herman Goring, delve into the life of one of the most sinister, clever, and successful of all the Nazi leaders: Heinrich Himmler. As the head of the feared SS, Himmler supervised the extermination of millions. Here is the story of how a seemingly ordinary boy grew into an obsessive and superstitious man who ventured into herbalism, astrology, and homeopathic medicine before finally turning to the "science" of racial purity and the belief in the superiority of the Aryan people.

Himmler's Secret War - Martin Allen 2005-12-21

Martin Allen has achieved pre-eminence as a researcher and writer specializing in the Second World War. In this, his third major book, Heinrich Himmler, Head of the SS, emerges as a man with a huge personal agenda. Having secured for himself an unassailable position by manipulating Hitler into wiping out the SS's left-wing rivals, the SA, in The Night of the Long Knives, he continued to nurture political supremacy for himself while Hitler fought his military war. At the heart of Himmler's Secret War is the turning point of the war when, following the German defeat at Stalingrad, Himmler recognized that Germany would lose. Through his trusted envoy, Walter Schellenberg, he devoted

much energy to negotiating his intended post-war role as the man who would lead Germany. He believed his intermediary, the British Ambassador in Sweden, Victor Mallet, was in direct contact with Winston Churchill. In fact, he was the victim of a highly effective sting by the Political Warfare Executive (PWE). *Hitler, Goebbels, Himmler* - Linda Jacobs Altman 2014-09
How could the Holocaust have happened in a civilized country? Who is to blame? The roots of the hatred that led to the Holocaust began long before World War II. In *HITLER, GOEBBELS, HIMMLER: THE NAZI HOLOCAUST MASTERMINDS*, author Linda Jacobs Altman thoroughly examines the causes and events that led up to the Holocaust, Adolf Hitler's rise to power, and the role he played in World War II in perpetuating the Holocaust. This book is developed from *THE HOLOCAUST, HITLER, AND NAZI GERMANY* to allow republication of the original text into ebook, paperback, and trade editions.

Himmler's War - Robert Conroy 2011-12-01

Only days after Normandy, Hitler is taken out of the equation and Heinrich Himmler, brutal head of the SS, assumes control of the Reich. On the Allied side, there is confusion. Should attempts be made to negotiate with the new government or should unconditional surrender still be the only option? With the specter of a German super-weapon moving closer to completion and the German generals finally allowed to fight the kind of war at which they are masters, the allies are pushed toward a course of accommodation or even defeat. Will the soldiers of the Grand Alliance find the courage and conviction to fight on in the face of such daunting odds? And can alliance leaders put into place a new plan in time to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat by the German war machine? A new and terrible battle for a free world is on. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

The Devil's Doctor - John H. Waller 2002-02-12

Tells the story of Felix Kersten, a physical therapist who became Heinrich Himmler's personal physician, and his influence over Himmler to join a plot to overthrow Adolf Hitler.

The Master Plan - Heather Pringle 2006-02-15

A groundbreaking history of the Nazi research institute whose work helped lead to the extermination of millions. In 1935, Heinrich Himmler established a Nazi research institute called The Ahnenerbe, whose mission was to send teams of scholars around the world to search for proof of Ancient Aryan conquests. But history was not their most important focus. Rather, the Ahnenerbe was an essential part of Himmler's master plan for the Final Solution. The findings of the institute were used to convince armies of SS men that they were entitled to slaughter Jews and other groups. And Himmler also hoped to use the research as a blueprint for the breeding of a new Europe in a racially purer mold. The Master Plan is a groundbreaking expose of the work of German scientists and scholars who allowed their research to be warped to justify extermination, and who directly participated in the slaughter -- many of whom resumed their academic positions at war's end. It is based on Heather Pringle's extensive original research, including previously ignored archival material and unpublished photographs, and interviews with living members of the institute and their survivors. A sweeping history told with the drama of fiction, *The Master Plan* is at once horrifying, transfixing, and monumentally important to our comprehension of how something as unimaginable as the Holocaust could have progressed from fantasy to reality.

The Architect of Genocide: Himmler and the Final Solution - Richard Breitman 2022-09-05

"[A] historian's carefully researched work, based on a vast array of sources, documenting Hitler's and Himmler's responsibility for the murder of European Jewry. The book details the planning and the improvisations, but emphasizes the former and Himmler's fanatical hatred of the Jewish race as the determinative cause of the Holocaust. Dealing with a charged controversy, Breitman makes a powerful case that by March 1941 'the Final Solution was just a matter of time — and timing,' i.e., that the Holocaust was not a reflex of Hitler's fear that the war in Russia could not be won. Breitman argues that the Wannsee Conference merely ratified the plans and instructed other agencies to cooperate. Breitman records the instances of resistance or opposition, but notes that of course the cooperation of thousands (many still alive

and never tried) and the complicity or silence of millions were needed to carry out the murder... the book concludes that Himmler's 'brutality was more learned than instinctive or emotional' — a methodical murderer impelled by racist dogma." — Foreign Affairs "Breitman's book is decisively important... [It] should serve for years to come as required reading for all who wish to make sense of the Holocaust." — Daniel Jonah Goldhagen, *The New Republic* "Looking nothing like the Nordic ideal he advocated, Heinrich Himmler, chief of the Nazi SS, was short, flabby and balding — his dull, pedantic exterior disguising the caustic, cowardly, Machiavellian, immensely cruel master of deceit within. Breitman... presents compelling evidence that the extermination of Jews was an early goal of Himmler, a Bavarian and lapsed Catholic, and his boss Adolf Hitler. Drawing on previously untapped German records, as well as other source materials... this engrossing, detailed study constitutes a powerful refutation of revisionist scholars who claim that Hitler did not plan the Final Solution in advance but instead improvised it out of either military or political frustration." — Publishers Weekly "A truly path-breaking book, one of the few that will have a lasting impact on historical research of the period. It shows both the primacy of Hitler as the motivating force in the mass murder, and the way in which his initiatives were accepted and internalized by the SS, on the basis of ideology." — *Holocaust and Genocide Studies* "Chilling, expert history." — Kirkus "[A]n eminently sensible and judicious study that could well serve as a textbook on the topic." — *The Historian* "Breitman's research [is] meticulous. Especially valuable are his novel insights into the full and frequent communication between Himmler and Hitler, who, it is known, seldom signed an order. Mr. Breitman presents his arguments cogently." — Michael H. Kater, *The New York Times* "An absorbing, important book [that] addresses the sequence of steps leading to the Final Solution." — *Financial Times* "As Breitman persuasively demonstrates, the situation kept changing, but Hitler was always in charge, and his goals always included ridding his empire of the Jews." — *Los Angeles Times* "Breitman is on the hunt for smoking guns. He finds the goods littered throughout Himmler's speeches and conversations... Breitman shows that people knew." — *Washington Post Book World* "The book is chillingly good on the uses and abuses of language to mask atrocity." — *Newsday* "Breitman's study is an important addition to [the] literature [on the origins of the Nazi genocide], one that provides the most likely scenario and settles important disputed questions... Breitman's study is a major step forward in our understanding of how the Nazis initiated mass murder." — *German Studies Review* "[An] important book... I much admire this work, particularly for its resourceful combing of primary material... there is much to learn from this book about the Final Solution, its origins, its implementation, and its hate-inspired architect" — *The American Historical Review*

Heinrich Himmler - Richard Worth 2005

In the horrible story of the Holocaust, Heinrich Himmler is recognized as its head architect. Ordered by Adolf Hitler to devise a plan, a "Final Solution," to rid Europe of its Jewish population, Himmler dictated the means and methods by which 11 million people were killed. In the final days of the Third Reich, his power was second only to Hitler's. Richard Worth details the life of Heinrich Himmler, from his youth and his rise through the ranks of the SS to his ultimate betrayal of the Führer and his fruitless efforts to escape justice. Book jacket.

Himmler's Diary 1945: A Calendar of Events Leading to Suicide - Stephen Tyas 2014-03-24

Himmler's Diary 1945: A Calendar of Events Leading to Suicide is an exceptional work with unpublished diary entries made by Himmler that shows in detail how The Third Reich fell to ruin in its final bloody year. Reichsführer-SS Heinrich Himmler was instigator of the largest programme of racial mass murder in history. 1 January 1945 saw Heinrich Himmler at his peak in Nazi Germany, controlling the entire German police force (including the Gestapo), all SS organisations and Nazi Minister of the Interior. His powers extended into the German Army and included Commander of the Replacement Army and two Army Groups. Two field commands revealed his limitations and failure as army commander. Between January and May 1945, Heinrich Himmler vacillated, showing a lack of vision, action and decision.

At least he was able to gain control of V-2 rocket production and their launch against Britain. He ordered all concentration camp inmates be shot, before rescinding the order. When his SS generals asked for instructions, Himmler ordered them to show backbone as their commands had few bounds. The Swedes and Swiss negotiated with Himmler who allowed over 10,000 concentration camp prisoners taken to safety before Hitler intervened. Himmler conducted peace feelers via the Swedes before the German surrender in May 1945, while trying to make contact with British Field Marshal Montgomery. These contacts went unanswered. Himmler was captured by the British and then committed suicide on 23 May 1945.

Heinrich Himmler - Peter Longerich 2012

A biography of Heinrich Himmler, interweaving both his personal life and his political career as a Nazi dictator.

Heinrich Himmler - Roger Manvell 1965

This volume presents a biography of one of the most clever and successful of all the Nazi leaders -- Heinrich Himmler (1900-1945). As head of the Nazis' feared SS and the sadistic Gestapo, Himmler supervised the extermination of millions. This is the story of how a seemingly ordinary boy grew into an obsessive and superstitious man who ventured into herbalism, astrology, and homeopathic medicine before finally turning to the "science" of racial purity and the belief in the superiority of the Aryan people. Himmler's unlikely rise to power eventually made him the second most powerful man in Germany. Understanding this sinister life helps us understand a political party and a nation capable of horrendous crimes against the world and humanity.

Himmler's SS - Robin Lumsden 2009-04-01

The real story of the SS, unlike its popular mythology, is so complex as to almost defy belief: it is a tale of intrigue and nepotism, of archaeology and Teutonism, of art and symbolism. Himmler's SS is a story of street fighters and convicted criminals becoming Ministers of State and police commanders; the story of charitable works and mass extermination being administered from the same building; the story of boy generals directing vast heterogeneous armies on devastating campaigns of conquest. Here, indeed, fact is stranger than fiction. Himmler's SS looks at the wide-ranging effects that the SS had on the Police, racial policies, German history, education, the economy and public life, as well as the uniforms and regalia which were carefully designed to set Himmler's men apart as the new elite in Third Reich society. Fully illustrated, this book is an authoritative history of

the SS and as such will appeal to all with an interest in Hitler's Third Reich.

Himmler's Cook - Franz-Olivier Giesbert 2016-04

"Aged 105, Rose has survived everything that life has thrown at her. She lived through the Armenian genocide as a child and, as an adult, saw her husband and children deported to the Nazi concentration camps while she was forced to minister to the culinary tastes of Heinrich Himmler. Now, having outlived the horrors of the twentieth century, she can finally relax in her restaurant in the back streets of Marseille. What is Rose's secret to survival? Commitment to love, good food and taking merciless revenge on anyone who has ever harmed her ..."--Page 4 of cover.

Hitler's Master of the Dark Arts - Bill Yenne 2010-10-14

At the heart of the evil of Nazism was Hitler's "witch doctor," Heinrich Himmler, and his peculiar and deadly organization with the mundane name Schutzstaffel, literally "protective squadron." Undoubtedly you know them better as the feared SS, the very essence of Nazism. Their threatening double lightning bolt is perhaps the most dreaded symbol of the Third Reich. The facts of the SS's origins are truly stranger than fiction. If you thought Raiders of the Lost Ark was an inspired Hollywood fiction, think again. Hitler's Master of the Dark Arts reveals the hidden "truths" of the SS in full and morbidly fascinating detail.

Himmler - Willi Frischauer 2016-10-27

Originally published in 1953, this masterly study of Heinrich Himmler is a forceful, dispassionate analysis of a man who rose from obscure beginnings as an agricultural student to a position of almost absolute power, until, in the Nazi twilight, he challenged Hitler himself. Outwardly insignificant, diffident—possessing neither the flamboyance of Goering nor the incisiveness of Goebbels—Himmler, head of the dreaded Secret Police, yet made himself the man most feared in the Nazi hierarchy—and as much by his 'friends' as his enemies. Only when the incredible facts about Himmler's extraordinary hold over his colleagues became known were the full depths of the infamy to which Nazism had brought Germany revealed. Based on journalist Willi Frischauer's unique knowledge of the background and sequence of events which gave rise to the Hitler regime, he manages to unearth the evidence, building up, stone by stone, the mosaic of Himmler's true portrait. A fully documented and unforgettable narrative.

Himmler - Peter Padfield 1990