

# Tragic Times

## ~Adolf Hitler~ By Terri Starkebaum

Adolf Hitler  
This man, Adolf Hitler, murder of millions, that is what he is known for. He was born in a small town called Braunau Am Inn, Austria.

When WWI started Hitler volunteered for service in the German army. He was hospitalized from poison gas. He received an Iron Cross while he was in the hospital.

Hitler when in jail, when he was in jail he wrote a book that was called "Mein Kampf" or "My Struggle". He made up to \$ 1 million dol-

lars alone in payments. If you ask me that is a lot of MONEY!!

When Hitler came to power it was said that he even told little kids to watch what their parents did and to report any action that took place. Like if their parents would do anything that would help the Jews they were to be reported as soon as possible!!

He and his brown shirts had everyone believing in Germany that the Jews were the cause of all their problems. That is

were the concentration camps came in. To wipe out all the Jews. That is were so many Jews and others died!

Adolf Hitler-murder of millions! Some people say he was sent by the devil, the others that were on his side just say He was sent from heaven to gain back power to Give Germany! Well I am the writer and I bet you know what I think!

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## ~Soloman Rodasky~ by Maddi McDowell

Soloman Rodasky was born on May 17, 1910 in Warsaw, Poland. His lifetime he lived in Warsaw Ghetto and concentration camps. While living in the Warsaw Ghetto he worked at Toblens' Shop as a furrier. One day he asked a German soldier where his sister was working. The soldier told Soloman that if he paid him 500 zloty and I will take you to her. He walked with the soldier to the shop she worked at, but did not find her. When leaving he was told that he could not return to the ghetto because it was surrounded by German

soldiers. The next day, which was April 19, 1943, was the day the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising began.

He was in two concentration camps during the war. He was at Majdanek for nine weeks. On the way there he said they had to sleep in a field. His friend stood up in the middle of the night. When you are registered into a concentration camp you get a tattoo, of a series of numbers. Soloman's tattoo to Auschwitz was 1282232 which equals to 18. In Hebrew it means life. When in Auschwitz he worked near the

crematoria hauling sand to cover up the ashes of the dead.

There were 78 people in his family. Out of 78 he was the only one that survived. His wife died in 1999. He died August 4, 2002.

To learn more about Soloman

visit this web site-<http://www.holocaustsurvivors.org/>

## ~Cause~ By Holly Haid

What caused world war? World war was really caused by German aggression. The policy of appeasement certainly did help start the war. If France and Britain had stood up to Germany when Hitler didn't have enough strength to back up all his threats, everyone could have forced him back down without a war. Instead they gave him exactly what he

needed fear from the Jews. Hoping to please Hitler the Germans got stronger and stronger making the war last longer.

Policy of appeasement was not really the reason for WW2. Although, appeasement was a major factor.

Great Britain and France both implemented the policy of appeasement toward Nazi Ger-

many because Europe was afraid of war at this time. Europe had experienced WW1 and the Depression. Appeasement worked because it temporarily averted the war during hostile tensions. In other words it was keeping Hitler happy.

<http://www.faqfarm.com/>

## ~Editorial~ Q: Why Is the Holocaust so important? By Nicholas McKenzie

The Holocaust is important because it is the world's largest genocide ever recorded. The Nazis were trying to completely erase every Jew in the world. They were starting with the German Jews. The Nazis had several plans or ideas as to kill all of the Jews. They shot the Jews, they poisoned them, they starved them, and they even worked the Jews to death. What

people don't know is what they planned to do when the allies were winning. The Nazis came up with several plans to eliminate all the evidence of their war crimes. One of the plans was to evacuate all of the prisoners to Madagascar. The plan they ended up using was by forcing all the prisoners east on "Death Marches".

What most people don't know about the prisoners is that of the approximate 11 million killed, 5 million of them were not Jewish. The other 6 million killed were Jewish, but none of these prisoners asked to die this way. The Holocaust is horrific, but it is a part of history.

information found at-[http://www.faqfarm.com](http://www.faqfarm.com/)

## ~Events~ By Kendall Badura

### THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME

The chance of a lifetime came when Marty Glickman was in the Olympics. Glickman from San Diego, California, was envied. He won many races as a sprinter, had a job as a sportscaster, and received the chance of his life. His chance of winning an Olympic gold medal was shot down viciously because of his religion. He was Jewish.

Sam Stoller was also Jewish and in the Olympics. Together, they were the only two Jews on the American track and field team who had gone to the Berlin Olympics. Scheduled to

run in the 4x100 meter relay event should have been their chance. But it sadly wasn't. It was the last day of the competition when the coach, Dean Cromwell announced that Sam Stoller and Marty Glickman were to be replaced by Frank Metcalfe and Jesse Owens. Owens asked not to run because he had already won three gold medals. He was black. Blacks did what they were told back then. He was told to run and so he did.

Sam Stoller and Marty Glickman were the only people on the team who didn't get to compete. They were also the only people in 100 years who

didn't get to compete. All because of the anti-Semitism.

[http://www.jewishstudies.com/germany/berlin/olympic\\_stadium/19990702-glickman.htm](http://www.jewishstudies.com/germany/berlin/olympic_stadium/19990702-glickman.htm)

### German Laws Against Jews

On November 14, 1935, Jews were denied the right to vote along with many other things. They could no longer marry non-Jewish people and sexual relations between Jews and Aryans became a crime. Even their work choices were narrowed down to just a few professions. The Jewish children could no longer play on the same playgrounds or use the locker rooms of the other children. Many horrible laws were made against the Jewish people on this day.

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/holocaust/timeprint.html>



THIS IS A PICTURE OF DEAD BODIES FROM BELSEN.

## ~Jeannine Burk~ By Taylor Fagan

Jeannine Burk, 66, was born September 15, 1939 and fortunately lived through the holocaust. She was born in Brussels, Belgium and was a hidden child throughout the war. Now she is married with six children and ready to share her story.



"I cannot...I cannot forgive. I cannot forgive, and I do blame...I blame the German people a great deal

because I felt that they were passive, they turned away, they have the audacity still today to say that they didn't know. I'm sorry.

That's unacceptable...that's unacceptable...it can't possibly...how can you not smell.

They had to. They have to. And until they own up to it, I'm sorry, I can't."

"I picture my father having to go into the showers. Do you know how difficult that is? Do you know how...I can't describe it to you. I cannot describe it to you. And I wasn't there. You know this is my imagining,

hearing the New Americans where we are...that's my extended family because I, I don't have anybody. My sister,

you know, is in New York; my brother is still in Belgium, but I don't have anybody else, so they have become my family. But it is through them that I am able to do this. But I imagine from what they've told me...of what they've told you...what my father had to have gone through. And look at all the people that it took. Look at all the Germans, all the Poles, all the Ukrainians...so it is not just one man, and it is not just Milosovic either."

"Belgium was supposed to be neutral during the war, but Adolph Hitler ignored that and invaded Belgium. There was a movement where you could inquire about hiding Jews...hiding children, and my father did that. He

had a place for my brother to go; he had a place for my sister to go, and he found this place for me, and he took me on the streetcar to a woman's house, and the reason that I keep saying "this woman" is I don't know her name."

"...and the woman who hid me sacrificed a lot to take me. Because had the Nazis discovered she

was hiding a Jew, whether it was a little girl or an adult it didn't matter, they would have killed her on the spot."

"I was never mistreated--ever! But I also was never loved, and I really lost a great part of my childhood--simply because we were Jews."

"I didn't observe anything...for the longest time I did not believe in God. So for me it was really not a problem until I became older and I realized that...you see, I think a lot of survivors feel very guilty about surviving.

For the longest time I kept asking myself, "Why am I alive? Why is my father dead? Why did 6,000,000 die and I am alive?" And when I got older, I began to realize that maybe God chose me because whatever little I have to contribute to telling of this, I am able to do that now."

information found at:  
<http://www.holocaustsurvivors.org/cgi-bin/data-show.pl?di=home&da=survivor&s&ke=5>

