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Box 32 PR-3-8 Requests for Information, Nov.-Dec. 1967 (1) [Schulz letter: did Allies consider strategic bombing of structures at concentration camps in WW II?]

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Herter, Christian A.: Papers

Box 12 CAH Telephone Calls 3/28/60- 6/30/60 (1) [Memoranda of telephone conversations Christian Herter, Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge and Francis Wilcox, June 23, 1960 regarding Eichmann case at the United Nations]

Jackson, C.D.: Papers

Box 2 Paris - Atrocities (1)-(4)
Box 3 Brussels--Paris (1)-(2) German atrocities
Box 4 Crossman, R.H.S.--Paris (1)-(3) [displaced persons in Germany]
Box 5 Displaced Persons--Paris (1)-(2) [concentration camps; Buchenwald; other information on displaced persons]
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Box 7 Intelligence--Paris (5) (7) [Ohrdruf German concentration camp]
Box 9 Leaflets--Paris (5)-(11) [concentration camps]
Box 10 New York-Trip from Paris--Paris (1)-(3) German atrocities
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Box 13 PWD Reports-CDJ-Paris [UN displaced persons program, POWs and DPs in Germany]
Box 13 Pye Receivers--Paris radio receivers for DP camps

Johns Hopkins University Publications: Manuscripts and Related Material: The Papers of Dwight David Eisenhower: The War Years

Box 54 Footnotes and Supplementary Documents April 1-15 1945 (2)
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Lilly, Edward P.: Papers, 1928-1992

- Box 15 BBC Liaison Report [coverage of Nazi atrocities at Buchenwald and other camps; displaced persons]
- Box 28 OWI – London – Barnes, Bernard (4)-(5) [KZ booklet publicizing German concentration camp atrocities]
- Box 43 Western Europe in Wake of World War II [report of visit by American motion picture industry executives as guests of SHAEF; includes visit to Dachau; interview with Dr. Heynemann of the Jewish Aid Society; report on displaced persons camp at Hanau]

Smith, Walter Bedell, World War II Collection

- Box 36 Inspection of German Concentration Camp at Buchenwald, 4/16/45
- Box 37 Displaced Persons Operations

Smith, Thor: Papers, 1934-1980

- Box 3 Correspondence, TMS to MBS, 1945 (2) [describes tour of Buchenwald]

Sturman, Paul: Papers

- Box 3 Poland (3) [conditions of Poles and Jews in Polish concentration camps]
- Box 4 Holocaust (1)-(2)

SHAEF, Office of the Secretary, General Staff (Paper copies printed from microfilm)

- Box 1 000.5 War Crimes - 000.5/2 War Criminals [191-608]
- Box 69 383.6 Repatriation and Aid to Allied Civilians Personnel (Political Prisoners and Internees Held by the Germans) (1)-(3) [September 1944-1945, American and British civilians internees]
- Box 73 383.6/11 Vol. III U.S.-Soviet Reciprocal Agreement on Liberated Prisoners of War and Civilians [57-284]
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- Box 74 383.7 Vol. III Refugees and Displaced Persons of European Nationality [617-823]
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SHAEF Selected Records

- Box 27 German Concentration Camps

**U.S. Army, 82nd Airborne Division: After Action Reports (microfilm)
82nd Airborne**

- Reel 1 After Action Report Central Europe Apr-May 1945 [Item 2009, establishment of three Displaced Persons centers; funeral services for 200 atrocity victims on May 7, 1945, including speech by Division chaplain]
Victory, Action in Central Europe Apr-May 1945 [Item 2014 number of Displaced Persons processed, sanitation conditions at Displaced Persons centers]
- Reel 20 G-2 Journal and Message File May 1945 [finding bodies of victims; stories from local civilians re: trains transporting large numbers of prisoners; report on Panzerfaust factory & camp near Flossberg; burial at Ludwigslust, including the chaplain's remarks; conditions at Wöbbelin & Schandelah concentration camps; description of the cremation plant at Buchenwald]
- Reel 40 G-3 Message 2-5 May 1945 [responsibilities of 325th Glider Infantry for assisting former prisoners; 325th Glider Infantry relieved of guarding the concentration camp by 8th

Infantry Division; "Operation of PW and DP Camps" talks of establishing and running camps for Prisoners of War and Displaced Persons]

Reel 48 307th A/B Engr Bn Unit history May 1945 [Wöbbelin concentration camp on May 6]
Reel 57 504th Prcht Inf Regt History May 1945 [pictures of the Wöbbelin concentration camp]
Reel 62 782nd A/B Ord Maint Co Unit History 1 Feb-10 May 1945 [Wöbbelin]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 3rd Armored Division

Box 58 Narrative History (3) [liberation of Nordhausen prisoners working at Dora]
Box 61 After Action Reports, April 1945 (1)-(2) [liberation of Nordhausen]
Box 64 G-2 Journal, April-September 1945 [liberation of Nordhausen]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 4th Armored Division

Box 78 Combat History, 4th Armored Division, 1 January-9 May 1945 [liberation of Ohrdruf and conditions in the camp]
After Action Reports, September-October 1944, March-April 1945 [liberation of Ohrdruf and Buchenwald]
G-2 Periodic Reports April 1945 (1) [liberation of Ohrdruf and conditions in the camp]
G-2 Periodic Reports April 1945 (1) [liberation of Buchenwald]
Box 80 G-2 Journal, 1-5 April 1945 [liberation of Ohrdruf]
G-2 Journal, 12-15 April [liberation of Buchenwald]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 6th Armored Division

Box 113 Combat Command "A" After Action Reports, January-April, 1945 [liberation of Buchenwald]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 11th Armored Division

Box 138 11th Armored Division After Action Reports, April-May 1945 (2) [liberation of Gusen and Mauthausen, initial steps for relief for the survivors; Miscellaneous Extracts report contains information on various camps]
11th Armored Division After Action Reports, April-May 1945 (3) [photos of Mauthausen]
G-2 Periodic Report, May 1945 [liberation of Gusen and Mauthausen]
Box 140 G-5 Periodic Report, April-June 1945 [relief operations at Mauthausen and Gusen]
Box 142 11th Armored Division Combat Command "B" After Action Report, Dec. 1944-May 1945 [liberation of Mauthausen]
Box 143 11th Armored Division Combat Command "B" S-3 Message Journal, Feb.-May [outgoing message regarding camp at Lungitz and Mauthausen, incoming message directing them to investigate atrocities and take photographs]
11th Armored Division Office of Surgeon Periodic Report [medical assistance provided to Mauthausen and Gusen]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 12th Armored Division

Box 146 Office of Surgeon S-3 Monthly Reports, January-September 1945 [inspection of Landsberg by division surgeon and medical inspector]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 2nd Infantry Division

Box 759 G-2 Periodic Reports April 1945 [report of 28 April 45 contains report on the Hasag Panzerfaust factory and concentration camp]
G-2 Periodic Reports May 1945 [report of 22 May 45 mentions 20 May welcoming demonstration in Cologne for former Buchenwald prisoners]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 4th Infantry Division

Box 791 G-2 Periodic Reports May 1945 [in report of May 4: list of SS guards from Dachau extension camps known for brutality]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 4th Infantry Division

Box 810 8th Inf. Div. Band, Report After Action Against the Enemy [Unit journal for May 1945 lists band played on May 6, 1945 at ceremonies dedicated to the memory of the deceased from a concentration camp in the vicinity of Schwerin]
Chaplain's Office Activity Files [regarding the May & 8 burial services for victims of the Wobbelin camp; suggested marker for concentration camp victims at Hagenow, Ludwiglust, & Wobbelin]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 26th Infantry Division

Box 842 G-2 Periodic Reports, May 1-17, 1945 [Report of 13 May contains account of survivors from camp at Ellrich whose prisoners were evacuated and almost entirely killed at Gardelegen]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 29th Infantry Division

Box 857 After Action Report April 1945 [description of camps and efforts made to assist prisoners from Dinklaken]

Box 861 Rear Area Security and Military Government Periodic Reports, April 10-May 3, 1945 [Camp locations, numbers and nationalities of prisoners, camp condition information, evacuation and relocation of the displaced persons]

Box 862 G-3 Periodic Reports, April 1945 [collecting and caring for displaced persons]

Box 864 Misc. Military Government Reports, April-May 1945 [Numbers and nationalities of displaced persons]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 42nd Infantry Division

Box 986 42nd Infantry Monthly History, April 1945 [description of camp on April 29]

Box 989 G-2 General Summary, April 1-May 9, 1945

G-2 Periodic Reports, April 15-May 30, 1945 [abandonment of Dachau by SS guards]

Box 990 G-5 Monthly Report, April 1945 [caring for displaced persons]

Judge Advocate Section - War Crimes Trials, 1946 (1)-(2) [preparations for trial in Austria and for housing prisoners]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 45th Infantry Division

Box 1020 45th Inf. Div. Monthly History, April 1945 [liberation of Dachau]

Box 1024 G-2 Periodic Reports, April 1945 (2) [liberation of Dachau]

Box 1026 G-3 Periodic Reports, April 1945 (2) [liberation of Dachau]

Box 1029 Artillery Monthly History, January-May, 1945 [liberation of Dachau]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 63rd Infantry Division

Box 1033 G-1 Section Unit History, April 1945 [discovery of camp at Langenburg]

G-1 Section Unit History, May 1945 [furnishing assistance to Seventh Army to assist with displaced persons work]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 71st Infantry Division

Box 1061 G-2 Journal, May 1-14, 1945 [Liberation of and conditions at camp (Gunskirchen)]

Box 1062 G-3 Periodic Reports, April 15-May 9, 1945 [Liberation of camp near Lambach]

Box 1063 Medical Department Activities Historical Report, Jan. 1-June 30, 1945 [liberation of Bad Orb camp, liberation of camp at Sulzbach, conditions at Guns kirchen camp and efforts to rehouse and care for the survivors, medical situation at displaced person camps]
Medical Department Activities Annual Report, 1944-1945 [liberation of Bad Orb camp, liberation of camp at Sulzbach, conditions at Guns kirchen camp and efforts to rehouse and care for the survivors, medical situation at displaced person camps]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 80th Infantry Division

Box 1109 G-3 Journal, April 1945 [liberation of Bucenwald]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 83rd Infantry Division

Box 1130 83rd Inf. After Action Report, April 1945 (2) [detailed report on conditions at Langenstein and work camps for V-2 factory at Dora]
Box 1132 G-1 After Action Report, April 1945 (Report on Concentration Camp Zweiberg)
Office of Surgeon Report of Activity - July-Dec. 1945 [reports on displaced person camps housing concentration camp survivors and report on the needs of Jewish displaced persons]
Publication by Nationality of Displaced Person

U.S. Army Unit Records: 89th Infantry Division

Box 1154 G-5 After Action Reports, 2 March-26 May 1945 (1)-(2) [health and welfare of displaced persons and refugees in vicinity of Ohrdruf]
G-5 Daily Summaries, HQ ACofS, 9 March-31 May 1945 (1)-(4) [[health and welfare, housing, transportation for displaced persons/refugees in vicinity of Ohrdruf]
G-5 Daily Summaries, Provisional Military Government Detachment, 19 March-12 May 1945 (1)-(4) [caring for displaced persons, numbers and nationalities of DP]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 94th Infantry Division

1174 94th Infantry Division, After Action Reports, April 1945 [Report of German Atrocities, re: discovery and reburial of 71 atrocity victims in Ohligs, Germany, speeches from the reburial ceremony and a roster identifying 64 of the 71 victims.

U.S. Army Unit Records: 95th Infantry Division

1182 G-5 Reports, Journal, After Action Reports [December 1944 – May 1945] (1) [murdered Russian and Polish workers near town of Warstein, sizable Displaced Persons camps at Neheim and Schwerte, forced labor camp at Ruthen, dealing with care, housing, and feeding of Displaced Persons]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 99th Infantry Division

Box 1197 G-2 Periodic Reports, May 1-27, 1945 [death march to Dachau, SS atrocities, statistics regarding cremation plant at Buchenwald]

U.S. Army Unit Records: 103rd Infantry Division

Box 1209 103rd Infantry Division Narrative History, April 1945 [liberation of Landsberg]
Box 1212 G-2 Periodic Report, April 1945 (1) [liberation of Landsberg, information about various concentration camps from prisoner interrogation]
Box 1227 411 Infantry Regiment Unit History, April 1945 [liberation of Landsberg]

U.S. Army, US Forces European Theater Historical Division: Records 1941-46 (microfilm)

Reel 26 Judge Advocate - War Crimes

U.S. Army Records: Reports to General Board, USFET, 1942-46

Box 9 Study No. 86: War Crimes and Punishment of War Criminals, Judge Advocate Section

White House Office, Office of the Staff Secretary: Records, 1952-61)

International Series

Box 8 Israel (2) [telegram, Reid to Secretary of State, July 2, 1960, reporting conversation with Prime Minister and Mrs. Ben-Gurion with paragraph on Adolf Eichman case

World War II Participants and Contemporaries

ACCETTA, DOMINICK (355th Infantry Regiment)

Papers (1) [liberation of Ohrdruf Concentration Camp]

BLANC, MARCEL (Prisoner at Buchenwald Concentration Camp)

Memoir (1)-(2) [memoir in French with English: experiences at Buchenwald; resistance to Germans; living conditions; liberation by General Patton]

DIETER, JOHN P(Third Army)

Photo Album (see AV)

DIRKS, ARTHUR W.

Printed Material [copies of News-Pix photos of concentration camps]

HOFFMAN, STEVE (his uncle, Raymond P. Hoffman served in 101st Airborne Div)

Dachau [booklet by 7th US Army]

PORTER, HAROLD (116 Evac Hospital, Europe; stationed at Dachau Concentration Camp

Dachau [1945 illustrated report with 1942 diary of prisoner]

Letters May 1945 [handwritten letters, some on German SS stationary, describe physical plant at Dachau Concentration Camp as well as condition of survivors and recovery of patients under Allied care]

Letters June-July 1945 [June 9 & 15 letters describes reaction of German civilians to display of photographs from Dachau]

Letters (transcripts) (2) [typescript copy of the hand-written letters of April-July 1945]

Memorabilia [newspaper article re: Dachau; photos of the camp]

WICHMAN, JOAN (father was Lawrence Ganzel, Co G, 347 Inf Regt, 87 Inf Div)

Lawrence Ganzel Memoir [1995 memoir includes account of the liberation of Buchenwald]

Publications

Please see the Holocaust Bibliography for a list of related publications available in the library research room.

AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS

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PHOTOGRAPHS

63-401-1--53

Photographs which comprise the album presented to President Eisenhower by David Ben Gurion, signed June 3, 1960. Album contains photographs of holocaust victims in 1945 as well as post WWII photographs of Israeli development. Little or no information accompanies the individual photographs.

66-699-356

Concentration camp near Leipzig, Germany

April 20, 1945

Credit: US Army

66-699-357

DDE accompanied by Omar Bradley visits the German concentration camp near Gotha, Germany. (same as 71-321-2)

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

66-699-358

Bodies found by the U.S. forces when they arrived at the Gestapo camp at Lager Nordhausen, Germany. Inmates were beaten, starved, and shot to death.

April 12, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

66-699-359

Pile of bones and ashes stacked outside the courtyard of the crematorium at Weimar, Germany

April 14, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

66-699-360

Townsppeople of Nordhausen, Germany, are forced to bury the dead in mass graves at the Nordhausen concentration camp under the watchful eyes of the U.S. First Army.

April 14, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

66-699-361

Viewing burial pit, Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Patton, Eddy. Gotha, Germany

(same as 68-509; 71-321-1)

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

68-509-1

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

Viewing corpses, Generals Eisenhower, Patton, Bradley, Eddy.

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

68-509-2

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

Viewing gallows, Generals Eisenhower, Eddy.

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

68-509-3

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

Viewing burial pit, Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Patton, Eddy.

68-509-4

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

General Eisenhower with interpreter, 1st Lt. Alois J. Liethen, Appleton, Wisconsin, other individual not identified.

71-374

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

Generals Patton, Bradley, Eisenhower, listen as 1st Lt. Alois J. Liethen, Appleton, Wisconsin interprets victims demonstration of Nazi torture.

71-321-1

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

Viewing burial pit, Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Patton, Eddy.

(same as 68-509-3)

71-321-2

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Patton, Eddy, viewing charred remains of victims killed by the Nazis. (same as 66-699-357). April 13, 1945 Credit: US

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

71-321-3

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

Viewing corpses, Generals Eisenhower, Patton, Bradley, Eddy.

(same as 68-509-1)

86-12-2

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

Corpses found upon liberation of concentration camp by US Third Army.

April 12, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

86-12-3

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

Charred corpses viewed by Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Patton, Eddy.

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

86-12-4

Concentration camp near Gotha, Germany

Generals Eisenhower, Bradley, Patton, Eddy view burial pits.

April 13, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-39

Bodies of old men and children in a mass grave at the concentration camp near Buchenwald, Germany

April 23, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-40

Bodies of men who were taken from the mass grave at Wetterfield, Germany

May 5, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-41

Civilians digging graves for the bodies of the Allied prisoners of all nationalities at the Schwartenxenfield, Germany.

April 24, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-42

Bodies of the victims stacked like cord wood waiting cremation or burial at Ohrdruf, Germany.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-43

Bodies of men and children stacked outside the building in which they would have been cremated large furnaces at Buchenwald, Germany.

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-44

Bodies of slave laborers lying in the woods outside Nurnburg, Germany

April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-45

Bodies of the victims stacked like cord wood waiting cremation or burial at Ohrdruf, Germany.

April 10, 1945

94-3-46

Bodies of Allied prisoners, Russian, American, French, Polish and numerous other nationalities await burial by the civilians at the Schwartenxenfield, Germany.

April 24, 1945

94-3-47

Jewish women died from brutality and malnutrition lying in the field awaiting burial by civilians at the Hergenhein concentration camp, Germany.

May 6, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-48

Jewish women died from brutality and malnutrition lying in the field awaiting burial by civilians at the Hergenhein concentration camp, Germany.

May 6, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-49

Jewish women died from brutality and malnutrition lying in the field awaiting burial by civilians at the Hergenhein concentration camp, Germany.

May 6, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-50

This tattoo was part of a man's body until it was skinned off by Nazi SS men and used as a decoration on the wall of their quarters, at Buchenwald, Germany.

April 23, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-51

Leg of a body that is still protruding from the grave that was not fully covered by the hasty retreat of the Nazis at Ohrdruf, Germany.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-52

Partially burned bodies left by the retreating Nazis. They were stacked one layer of bodies and one layer of wood for about six or seven feet in height at Camp Ohrdruf, Germany.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-53

These are the victims the Nazis shot during their retreat at the Ohrdruf concentration camp.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-54

Preparing bodies for burial at the Ohrdruf concentration camp by the civilians of Ohrdruf, Germany. They were wrapped in sheets and are grave marked with a number.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-55

Bodies prepared for burial by the civilians of Ohrdruf, Germany.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-56

This man had his head crushed by a large hammer that was found in the vicinity. The civilians of Nurnberg, Germany, were forced to bury the dead slave laborers. April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-57

Body of a victim had been lying in this position about a week before the Americans overran the camp at Ohrdruf, Germany.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-58

Position in which the men were thrown in the grave as it was uncovered by the civilians at Wetterfield, Germany. There were 59 men in the grave.

May 5, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-59

This man being helped along by his friends is so weak from the lack of food that he can hardly walk. He is one of many hundreds in the same condition at the camp of Weimar, Germany.

April 14, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-60

Preparing bodies for burial at the Ohrdruf concentration camp by the civilians of Ohrdruf, Germany. They were wrapped in sheets and are grave marked with a number.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-61

Bodies at the Ohrdruf concentration camp still lying in the same manner in which they fell after being shot by the retreating Nazis.

April 10, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-62

bodies of the victims stacked in the building awaiting cremation in specially built large furnaces.

April 14, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-63

Men and young boys showing the way and manner in which they slept every night for the past three years at the camp near Weimar, Germany.

April 14, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-64

This photo shows the conditions and the amount of sleeping space for the prisoners at Buchenwald concentration camp. They range from young boys to old men, all doing the same amount of work each day.

April 23, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-65

Civilians of Nurnberg, Germany, carry the bodies of the slave laborers a mile and a half outside the city for burial.

April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-66

Putting the bodies of slave laborers in coffins made by the civilians in preparation for the mile and a half trek to the burial grounds outside Nurnberg, Germany.

April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-67

Civilians of Nurnberg, both men and women, participate in carrying the bodies of the slave laborers a mile and a half outside the city of Nurnberg, Germany, for burial.

April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-68

At the burial grounds outside Nurnberg, Germany, a prayer was offered in English, Polish, and German for the slave laborers who had been murdered by the Nazis.

April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

94-3-69

Civilians of the city of Nurnberg at the task of carrying the bodies of slave laborers over the mile and a half stretch to the burial grounds.

April 29, 1945

U.S. Army photograph

96-10-32

Main gate to inner compound at Dachau concentration camp.

May 1945

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96-10-33

Bodies in front of crematorium at Dachau concentration camp.

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Looking into Dachau concentration camp across SS guard in foreground.

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Inner compound at Dachau concentration camp.

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Newly liberated Polish prisoners at Dachau concentration camp.

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Convoy of Belgians about to leave for home after being release from Dachau concentration camp.

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Leaving Dachau concentration camp.

May 29, 1945

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Stack of bodies at Dachau concentration camp.

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bodies outside building at Dachau concentration camp.

May 1945

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96-10-48

Bodies at Dachau concentration camp.

May 1945

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FILM

EL-MP16-391 CRUSADE IN EUROPE
1922--1945 produced @1949
Produced by: 20th Century Fox Television Productions
Copyright: Public Domain
10 reels 13,6000' sound B&W

A March of Time Production, presented by Life & Time, Inc., but the copyright was allowed to lapse.

Reel 8: OVERRUNNING GERMANY

The western Allies and the Russians were forcing the Nazis into a hopeless position in central Germany. Film documents the Allied broadcasts to the German people, advising them to surrender, the double envelopment of the vital Ruhr area by the western Allies, and the final phase of the battle for Europe. Eisenhower is pictured during his first visit to a Nazi horror camp. With the Allies and the Russians drawing within range of each other, both forces had to use extreme caution to keep from firing into the other's lines. Russian liaison officers served with the Western Allied force, to keep the Soviet commanders informed of the progress of British and American front line troops. On April 25th, Russian and American units met at the Elbe, the first step in the final dissolution of the German nation. Film concludes with scenes of the savage battle for Berlin, with the Russians seizing the city from the last, stubborn Nazi defenders, followed by the Nazi surrenders at Caserta, Luneberg Heath and Rheims.

VICTORY'S AFTERMATH

This installment concerns the lessons we learned from the war--military, diplomatic, and psychological. The first lesson the General mentions is proof that war can be waged effectively by a coalition of nations. Other subjects examined by Eisenhower in this film are the role of the soldier as the fundamental agent in military success, the growing influence of air power in warfare, the transformation of the face of war by the invention of new, deadlier weapons (with a brief flashback to the most critical experiment of all--the dropping of the bomb at Alamogordo, New Mexico), and concluding with a consideration of the possibility of insuring peace by the maintenance of real and respectable strength--morally, economically, and militarily.

AMERICAN MILITARY GOVERNMENT

The demanding problem of administration of captured cities and towns had to be met as soon as the GIs had done their job. This important task fell to American Military Government Officers. Film opens with AMG men taking over from the troops as soon as Cologne was won. Their job included such varied duties as disinfecting the population to screening them for pro-Nazis. President Truman's speech in Berlin at the time of the Potsdam Conference is included--a speech in which he voiced his hopes for the future peace of the world and the part the US would play in it. The conference itself--featuring the meeting of the top government leaders of the three principal powers: the US, Great Britain, and Russia--is also pictured. Film continues with the splitting of Germany into four parts at an Allied Control Council conference, and the Council's job of de-Nazifying the country and coordinated activities in the four zones. A flashback sequence on the concentration camps is included, and the installment concludes with the Nuremberg Trials and sentencing of the top Nazi war criminals.

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