

With haunting photos and shocking personal stories, new website describes the Holocaust as never presented before

One witness claimed she had heard prisoners screaming in the punishment cells [at Auschwitz]. These 'standing cells' (height: 2 Meters; Size: 50 by cm; air vent: 5 by 8 cm) guaranteed a slow death through starvation and lack of air. The bodies of the dead had to be scraped out of the cells with iron pitchforks. Some of the victims had eaten their own fingers.

THE WAGES OF GUILT

By Ian Buruma

They brought an aged woman with her daughter to this building. The latter was in the last stage of pregnancy. She was brought to the "Lazarett," was put on a grass plot, and several Germans came to watch the delivery. This spectacle lasted two hours. When the child was born, Menz asked the grandmother – that is the mother of this woman – whom she preferred to see killed first. The grandmother begged to be killed. But, of course, they did the opposite; the newborn baby was killed first, then the child's mother and finally the grandmother.

THE NUREMBERG TRIALS: THE NAZIS BROUGHT TO JUSTICE

By Alexander MacDonald

Few of us have read any of the hundreds of books written by Holocaust survivors and witnesses about their horrific experiences. Yet we need to know these first-hand stories to bring the Holocaust atrocities to life and more fully understand the brutalities that took place. The new website neverforget.net accentuates the suffering and heartbreak of the Holocaust in brief paragraphs taken from hundreds of sources. This non-commercial website aims to aid people in comprehending the scope of evils perpetrated by the Nazis.

The architect of this site, James Cook, writes, "What is always missing from the understanding of the Holocaust is the scope of it. No mind can comprehend 6 million murders. Each one of those millions of individuals had their own story of horror, fear, pain and anguish. We can only measure their suffering through the words of a few thousand survivors and witnesses."

More people need to be shocked and reminded of the Holocaust. That is the purpose of neverforget.net. We have all heard that six million Jews were killed by the Nazis, but that has less impact than reading a firsthand account of how they murdered a newborn baby before its mother's eyes. When you visit this site, you will be shocked to the point of revulsion by what you read and you may not be able to continue. At some point tears are inevitable.

In addition to the compilation of Nazi crimes, the neverforget.net website covers the historical background for the Holocaust, vignettes from numerous sources, and the aftermath and

consequences of the crimes. Numerous photographs help to illustrate the magnitude of Nazi depravity.

In 1940, a visitor to the Warsaw ghetto offered the following description of living conditions there: On the streets children are crying in vain, children who are dying of hunger. They howl, beg, sing, moan, shiver with cold, without underwear, without clothing, without shoes, in rags, sacks, flannel which are bound in strips round the emaciated skeletons, children swollen with hunger, disfigured, half conscious, already completely grown up at the age of five, gloomy and weary of life. They are like old people and are only conscious of one thing: "I'm cold." "I'm hungry."

THE HOLOCAUST: A CONCISE HISTORY

By Doris L. Bergen



Emaciated corpses of children in Warsaw Ghetto.

To learn about the atrocities of the Holocaust from many first-hand perspectives, visit www.Neverforget.net.

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