1 00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:11,790

2 00:00:11,790 --> 00:00:14,010 This is Breendonck prison in Belgium.

3 00:00:14,010 --> 00:00:16,590 It offers evidence of Nazi brutality imposed

4 00:00:16,590 --> 00:00:19,974 on Belgian patriots during the period of German occupation.

5 00:00:19,974 --> 00:00:24,820

6 00:00:24,820 --> 00:00:27,393 Many of the horror exhibits remain untouched,

7 00:00:27,393 --> 00:00:28,810 such as the blood-stained coffins.

8 00:00:28,810 --> 00:00:31,980

9 00:00:31,980 --> 00:00:34,812 Demonstrating how the victims were tied up for administering

10 00:00:34,812 --> 00:00:35,520 vicious beatings.

11 00:00:35,520 --> 00:00:42,260

12 00:00:42,260 --> 00:00:45,080 A barbed wire stick was used on the backs of the men.

13 00:00:45,080 --> 00:00:54,780

14 00:00:54,780 --> 00:00:57,180 Another method for rendering a patriot helpless

15 00:00:57,180 --> 00:00:59,115 while he was attacked by his Gestapo guards.

16 00:00:59,115 --> 00:01:17,910

17 00:01:17,910 --> 00:01:21,000 The Nazis also would tie a man in chains in this manner

18 00:01:21,000 --> 00:01:22,694 and then apply the tourniquet.

19 00:01:22,694 --> 00:01:41,466

20 00:01:41,466 --> 00:01:44,675 A Berlin-made thumb screw and how it was used.

21 00:01:44,675 --> 00:01:51,470

22 00:01:51,470 --> 00:01:54,380 A victim shows scars caused by repeated beatings.

23 00:01:54,380 --> 00:02:00,700

24 00:02:00,700 --> 00:02:02,140 Others show what

happened to them

25 00:02:02,140 --> 00:02:04,540 as a result of both beatings and cigarette burns.

26 00:02:04,540 --> 00:02:18,860

27 00:02:18,860 --> 00:02:21,890 A Belgian demonstrates the manner in which his crotch

28 00:02:21,890 --> 00:02:22,925 was split by the Nazis.

29 00:02:22,925 --> 00:02:31,480

30 00:02:31,480 --> 00:02:33,790 A woman discloses the results of a beating.

31 00:02:33,790 --> 00:02:43,530

32 00:02:43,530 --> 00:02:46,320 The Harlen concentration camp near Hanover.

33 00:02:46,320 --> 00:02:49,950 Out of 10,000 Polish men brought here 10 months prior to April

34 00:02:49,950 --> 00:02:53,370 1945, only 200 remained.

35 00:02:53,370 --> 00:02:56,310 Prisoners who could walk were removed before American troops

36 00:02:56,310 --> 00:02:57,450 entered Hanover.

37 00:02:57,450 --> 00:02:59,700 The others were left to starve and die.

38 00:02:59,700 --> 00:03:01,590 Immediate relief was provided for the men

39 00:03:01,590 --> 00:03:04,110 with the arrival of a Red Cross clubmobile.

40 00:03:04,110 --> 00:03:05,640 The men broke into tears when they

41 00:03:05,640 --> 00:03:08,670 were given hot soup, other food, and cigarettes and clothing.

42 00:03:08,670 --> 00:03:24,910

43 00:03:24,910 --> 00:03:26,890 When questioned, most of these men

44 00:03:26,890 --> 00:03:30,100 could not remember when they'd last eaten a decent meal.

45 00:03:30,100 --> 00:03:31,630 Many had been beaten and tortured

46 00:03:31,630 --> 00:03:33,400 so long their minds had failed.

47 00:03:33,400 --> 00:03:55,630 48

00:03:55,630 --> 00:03:58,180 Some of the inmates are too weak to leave their bunks

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00:03:58,180 --> 00:03:58,870 or even eat.

or even ea

50 00:03:58,870 --> 00:04:06,790

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00:04:06,790 --> 00:04:09,760 Others bunk together to keep their frail bodies warm.

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00:04:09,760 --> 00:04:13,020

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00:04:13,020 --> 00:04:16,079 The deaths continue even after liberation of the camp.

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00:04:16,079 --> 00:04:18,720 Some were too far gone when the Americans took over.

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00:04:18,720 --> 00:04:40,630

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00:04:40,630 --> 00:04:43,000 An AMG sergeant checks the list of inmates.

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00:04:43,000 --> 00:04:47,040

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00:04:47,040 --> 00:04:48,990 The victims relate

the atrocity story,

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00:04:48,990 --> 00:04:51,450 and photographs are made for further documentation

60 00:04:51,450 --> 00:04:53,370 of the horrors committed at the Hanover camp.

61 00:04:53,370 --> 00:05:06,200

62 00:05:06,200 --> 00:05:07,970 This concentration camp was overrun

63 00:05:07,970 --> 00:05:09,800 by American troops in April.

64 00:05:09,800 --> 00:05:12,290 The prisoners were mainly Poles and Russians.

65 00:05:12,290 --> 00:05:14,930 Maltreated and starved, 1,700 were

66 00:05:14,930 --> 00:05:18,360 housed in tents which contained only 100 bunks.

67 00:05:18,360 --> 00:05:20,510 While our forces were nearing Arnstadt,

68 00:05:20,510 --> 00:05:22,830 the Nazis removed most of the captives.

69 00:05:22,830 --> 00:05:25,360 They shot those who were too weak to get away fast enough.

70 00:05:25,360 --> 00:05:32,980 00:05:32,980 --> 00:05:35,830 Savage watchdogs were used to help guard the camp.

72 00:05:35,830 --> 00:05:39,440

73 00:05:39,440 --> 00:05:42,140 German civilians are forced to dig up the bodies.

74 00:05:42,140 --> 00:05:44,612 This is the second burial ground for the victims.

75 00:05:44,612 --> 00:05:46,070 The spot where they were originally

76 00:05:46,070 --> 00:05:47,737 buried after the massacre was apparently

77 00:05:47,737 --> 00:05:49,160 too close to the town.

78 00:05:49,160 --> 00:05:51,320 The Arnstadt villagers could not tolerate

79 00:05:51,320 --> 00:05:53,630 the stench of the dead, and they themselves

80 00:05:53,630 --> 00:05:55,490 moved the bodies to this site.

81 00:05:55,490 --> 00:05:58,430 Now they again must exhume the corpses, this time

82 00:05:58,430 --> 00:06:00,233 under armed persuasion. 83

00:06:00,233 --> 00:06:10,390

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00:06:10,390 --> 00:06:12,690 Victims bear the marks of violent deaths.

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00:06:12,690 --> 00:06:38,670

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00:06:38,670 --> 00:06:42,830 American troops view the evidence of Nazi barbarism.

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00:06:42,830 --> 00:06:47,000