

Thule Society

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- Eckart,
- Drexler,
- Gottfried Feder, Von Sebottendorf

Also - ~~including~~ Numbers of Deaths
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Von Sebottendorff later claimed that he originally intended the Thule Society to be a vehicle for promoting his own occultist theories, but that the Germanenorden pressed him to emphasize political, nationalist and anti-Semitic themes. Since this claim was made while the Nazis were in power and von Sebottendorff had little to gain by denying anti-Semitism, it may well be true.

Beliefs

A primary focus of Thule-Gesellschaft was a claim concerning the origins of the Aryan race. "Thule", or Θούλη, was a land located by Greco-Roman geographers in the furthest north. The term "Ultima Thule" — (Latin: *most distant Thule*) is also mentioned by the Roman poet Virgil in his epic poem *Aeneid*. This was supposed to be the far northern segment of Thule and is now generally understood to mean Scandinavia.

Said by Nazi mystics to be the capital of ancient Hyperborea, they identified Ultima Thule as a lost ancient landmass in the extreme north: near Greenland or Iceland. These ideas derived from earlier speculation by Ignatius Donnelly that a lost landmass had once existed in the Atlantic, and that it was the home of the Aryan

race, a theory he supported by reference to the distribution of swastika motifs. He identified this with Plato's Atlantis, a theory further developed by Helena Blavatsky, the famous occultist during the second part of the 19th century. The Thule-Gesellschaft maintained close contacts with theosophists, the followers of Blavatsky.

Activities

The Thule Society attracted about 250 followers in Munich and about 1,500 in greater Bavaria. Its meetings were often held in the Munich luxury hotel *Vier Jahreszeiten* ("The Four Seasons").

The followers of the Thule Society were, by von Sebottendorff's own admission, little interested in his occultist theories. They were more interested in racism and combatting Jews and Communists. They are also said to have planned to kidnap the Socialist prime minister Kurt Eisner. After the establishment of the Munich Soviet Republic, they were accused of trying to infiltrate its government and of having attempted a coup on April 30, 1919. During this attempt, the Soviet government took several members of the Thule Society hostage, and later executed them.

Münchener Beobachter newspaper

The Thule Society bought a local weekly newspaper, the *Münchener Beobachter* (Munich Observer), and changed its name to *Münchener Beobachter und Sportblatt* (loosely, Munich Observer and Sport Report) in an attempt to improve its circulation. The *Münchener Beobachter* later became the *Völkischer Beobachter* (People's Observer), the main Nazi newspaper. It was edited by Karl Harrer.

Deutsche Arbeiterpartei

In 1919, the Thule Society's Anton Drexler, who had developed links between the Society and various extreme right workers' organizations in Munich, together with Karl Harrer established the Deutsche Arbeiterpartei (DAP), or German Workers Party. Adolf Hitler joined this party in 1919. By April 1, 1920, the DAP had been reconstituted as the National Sozialistische Deutsche Arbeiterpartei (NSDAP), or National Socialist German Workers Party (generally known as the "Nazi Party").

Von Sebottendorff had by then left the Thule Society, and never joined the DAP or the Nazi party. Many other members of the Thule Society and/or DAP were later prominent in Nazi Germany, including Dietrich Eckart, Gottfried Feder, Hans Frank, Karl Harrer, Rudolf Hess, Alfred Rosenberg, and Julius Streicher. Dietrich Eckart, who coached Hitler on his public speaking skills, had *Mein Kampf* dedicated to him. While it has been claimed that Adolf Hitler was a member (The Occult and the Third Reich, Jean Michel Angebert, 1974. p. 9), there is no evidence for this claim; on the contrary, the evidence is that he never attended a meeting, as attested to by Johannes Hering's diary of Society meetings (Johannes Hering, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der Thule-Gesellschaft*", typescript dated 21 June 1939, Bundesarchiv Koblenz, NS26/865, cit. in Goodrick-Clarke, The Occult Roots of Nazism, 1992 p.201.) *It is quite clear that Hitler himself had little interest in, and made little time for, "esoteric" matters.*

Other members were Karl Fiehler, Wilhelm Frick, Michel Frank, Heinrich Jost, Wolfgang Pongratz, Wilhelm Laforce, Johann Ott, Hans Riemann, Max Seselmann, and Hans-Arnold Stadler. Two well-known aristocrats in the group were Countess Hella von Westarp, a young woman who functioned as secretary, and Prince Gustav von Thurn und Taxis (both of these were among hostages abducted and executed by the Communist government in Munich in 1919).

Dissolution

After Hitler came to power, the Thule Society was one of many organizations suppressed. When von Sebottendorff returned to Germany and published a book about the Thule Society, *Bevor Hitler kam*, he was arrested and the book prohibited.

Nonetheless, it has been argued that some Thule members and their ideas were incorporated into the Third Reich. {The Occult and the Third Reich, Jean Michel Angebur, Macmillan Publishing Co., Inc. 1974, p. 9} Some of the Thule Society's teachings were expressed in the books of Alfred Rosenberg. Also, many of the occult ideas found favour with Heinrich Himmler who, unlike Hitler, had a great interest in mysticism.

Thule Society revived

A revived Thule Society is rumoured to have met during the time of the Wagner festival in Bayreuth in 1966. Among the participants was an American exchange student, Gene A. Statler, a distant relative of Gauleiter Hans-Arnold Stadler. Statler's account of that meeting is contained in unpublished diaries which later became the property of magazine editor Raymond Palmer.

Conspiracy Theories

Like the Ahnenerbe section of the SS, and due to its occult background, the Thule Society has become the center of many conspiracy theories concerning Nazi Germany. Such theories include the creation of spacecraft and secret weapons. Because the group helped Hitler with his speaking skills, some have even suggested that the society somehow granted him magic powers that contributed to his later success.

It is also claimed that Thule-Gesellschaft possessed a psychic named Maria Orsic, who convinced them that the Aryan race did not originate on the Earth, but came from Aldebaran in Taurus — some sixty-five light years away.

It is further suggested that Vril, Thule-Gesellschaft, and DHvSS (Men of the Black Stone) all joined together at some point (perhaps 1919). DHvSS is said to have worshipped a German mountain goddess "Isias" as well as the Schwarzer Stein (Black Stone).

See also

- Ahnenerbe
- Guido von List
- Nazi mysticism
- Nazi archaeology
- Vril
- Swastika

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The Thule Society in popular culture

- Umberto Eco's *Foucault's Pendulum* mentions the society perhaps half a dozen times as the three protagonists discuss ways that mysticism, Rosicrucianism, and ideas about the Knights Templar have interested modern conspiracy theorists.
- Karl Ruprecht Kroenen, one of the antagonists in the *Hellboy* movie, is described as a member of the Thule Society.
- The Thule Society and its leader, Dietlinde Eckart, play key roles in the anime feature *Fullmetal Alchemist the Movie: Conqueror of Shamballa*
- The Thule Society appears in the video game Bloodrayne.
- Edgar Allan Poe's poem, "Dream-Land" references an "ultimate dim Thule."

The Thule Society is the source of the mystic rites that power many of Germany's super soldiers in Green Ronin's Mutant and Masterminds Golden Age Superhero campaign.

External links

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Thule Geßellschaft



A Völkisch circle in München during the years immediately after the First World War. Outwardly an innocent club composed of persons who wanted to study and promote old Germanic literature, it was actually devoted to extreme nationalism, race mysticism, occultism, and anti-Semitism. The society was an offshoot of the *Germanenorder* (German Order - but not the *Teutonic Order*), whose base was in Berlin and whose branches throughout Germany were patterned after the Masonic lodges. The München branch received its name from 'Thule,' in Nordic mythology the legendary kingdom whence came the ancient Germanic peoples. The Roman historian Polybius (ca. 150 B.C.) made first mention of the "island, or point of land, six days' sail north of *Orcades*" [Orkneys, Britain] observed during a voyage by Pytheas in the late-4th Century B.C.



The **Thule Geßellschaft** in München was founded during the First World War by an emissary from Berlin, Rudolf *Freiherr* von Sebottendorff, who enlisted 250 members in München and another 1,500 elsewhere in Bavaria. Among the members were journalists, poets, professors, and Army officers. The membership list included political theorist Gottfried Feder; Dietrich Eckart, an elder journalist and poet (a central figure in Hitler's entourage during 1919-1923, and who introduced the phrase *Deutschland erwache!*); Rudolf Hess, a member of the NSDAP from 1920 on; and Alfred Rosenberg, the woolly-minded Nazi 'philosopher.' The objectives of the society were mainly *völkisch*, embracing especially the concepts of racial superiority and anti-Semitism. The group supported the Pan-German dream of a new, powerful German Reich. Like other such societies in Bavaria and Germany as a whole, the **Thule Geßellschaft** used mystical symbols such as the *fylfot* (swastika, hooked cross) and elaborate semi-occultist rituals. Its motto was: "*Gedenke, dass Du ein Deutscher bist. Halte dein Blut rein!*" ("Remember that you are a German. Keep your blood pure!")

Thule agents infiltrated the armed formations of the Communist *régime* and stored caches of arms and munitions to help destroy it. Members of the Society decided to kill Kurt Eisner, leader of the Bavarian Communist revolution of early-1919, but they were beaten to the deed by Anton Graf Arco-Valley, a young officer of Jewish descent who had been rejected for membership by the Thulists. Arco-Valley was determined to shame his insulters by an act of courage, and killed Eisner in February 1919.

As they saw themselves (and were) as somewhat élitist - certainly too academic and 'intellectual' - members of the **Thule Geßellschaft** approached Anton Drexler, founder of the **Deutsche Arbeiterpartei**, to work as a liaison to the working classes. Drexler's influence and authority within his own party waned as he was sidelined by Adolf Hitler. Like many members of the **Tatkreis**, many Thulists joined the DAP and, eventually, the NSDAP.

That the **Thule Geßellschaft** was of influence on Hitler and other leading Nazis is not in question by serious historians and biographers. However, others of a more spiritual or esoteric inclination wish to over-emphasize the occultist influence and rôle during the earliest days of the NSDAP of both the **Thule Society** and the somewhat more sinister **Vril Society**, or 'Luminous Lodge.' The latter was supposedly founded by Professor of Geography at the University of München Karl Haushofer, the leading scholar and exponent of 'geo-politics,' but actually a man deeply-troubled by how gingerly the Nazis 'hijacked' his theories and used them to their own nefarious effects as a rationalization for territorial expansion at the expense of the Slavic peoples in eastern Europe. The **Vril Society** (from *vril*, the ancient language of the lost Atlantæans, spoken in a series of sounds and 'clicks') was set up to uncover and oppose a great secret **Conspiracy**, co-operated with the Nazis, and supposedly used 'channelled' energy and secret knowledge gained from extra-terrestrials to build a flying-saucer. Just before the final collapse of the Third Reich, this technology was secretly transported out of Germany to the Antarctic where a secret base was constructed, and where US Admiral Richard E. Byrd's expedition supposedly encountered and was defeated by the mysterious *Foo Fighters* of UFO-lore. Furthermore, according to a different account of the **Thule Society**, the Earth is in fact hollow, inhabited by a race of ancient and highly-intelligent 'super-beings' called the **Vhujunka**. These *Inner Earthers* are the original 'Nordic Supermen' from whom are descended the Aryans - hence the Nazis' belief in their 'racial superiority'

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Following the Vatican's 1870 decision advocating *Uninveritatis* (loyalty to the Pope) as the ultimate authority of the Papacy above that of loyalty to the State and the creation of an anti-Protestant Catholic Centre Party, anti-Catholic 'Patrie Laws' were passed by Reichstag under Otto von Bismarck in May 1873 to reduce the Church to State registration, thus abolishing the State's - and not the Church's - right over an official confession. The Laws seriously limited Catholic rights in Wilhelmine Germany. However, negotiations with Pope Leo XIII led to a relaxation of the Laws and to a restoration of Catholic rights in 1887. Cultural-renewal societies such as the *Arbeitskreis völkisch* (Pan-German League) and the *Deutscher Osten* (Eastern Provinces Association) stressed *völkisch* ideas during this time. By the end of the First World War there were around seventy-five *völkisch* organisations working under the Weimar Republic in behalf of a Jewish-nationalist extension. The movement advocated race mysticism, pseudo-biology/science, romantic yearning for a mythical *Völkergemeinschaft* of post-Germanic rural life, and anti-Semitism. Its literature emphasized the idea of recovering history as a primitive path between the pastoral island Nordic here and the urban present; law/The law. Nazi concept of Blut und Boden found its origins in the *völkisch* idea of a pastoral Germanic past, urging 'good German Aryan students' to do rural labour as a patriotic duty.

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Völkisch Bewegung

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law. In *Mein Kampf* Hitler wrote: "the basic ideas of the National-Socialist movement are *völkisch* and the *völkisch* ideas are National-Socialist." At the same time, as a political propagandist, he made certain to dissociate National-Socialism from the typical *völkisch* clubs, which he regarded as sectarian groups run by bourgeois philistines. The older *völkisch* movement, he said, did not understand that an idea had no value as long as it was not turned into action. He himself would take a sterile and powerless idea and transform it by the use of political power. In essence this was the theme of Hitler's career.

The *Führer* himself, however, wanted no independent-minded individuals among the rightist élite any more than among his leftist enemies. Many of the *völkisch* groups had either merged with others before Hitler's ascension to power in 1933, or were absorbed into the NSDAP by 1936 during the **Gleichschaltung** ('Co-ordination'), most members having already joined the Nazi Party.

Curiously, many of the American ultra-right groups of the late-20th Century similarly advocate *völkisch* ideas: anti-democracy, anti-liberalism, anti-capitalism, anti-immigration, and above all *Aryan* or *Nordic* 'racial superiority' over all other races, as well as anti-Semitism at the heart of the notion of an 'historical struggle between the pastoral blond Nordic hero and the urban parasitic Jew'

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Alfred Rosenberg

Reich Minister Eastern Territories

Nazi *Inner Circle Party Member*, closer to **Hess** and **Himmler** than **Hitler**, **Goebbels** or **Speer** who often mocked him in private as the "*Party Philosopher*" (Albert Speer: "Infiltration").

Born in Estonia and fled to Germany after the "Reds" took over which he and other "Whites" continually lobbied Hitler to reverse by invading Russia. This Eastern contingent of ethnic Germans and others who fled Lenin and Trotsky formed one of the key groupings in the inner circle of the party, paralleling other exile communities in history such as the later Miami Cuban's for the virulent fervor of their anti-communism. (Toland: "Adolph Hitler")

Rosenberg's mystical work "*The Myth of the Twentieth Century*" was as important if not more so than Hitler's *Mein Kampf* as setting the party line in it's radical line to deal "once and for all" with the "Judeo-Bolshevik Menace", as was his roll as Master Propagandist as publisher of the Party Newspaper "*The Volkischer Beobachter*" (Speer: "Inside the Third Reich").



His statements were virulently Anti-Semitic but it is conceivable that this was merely a device as part of his contingent's lobby efforts to reverse the Russian Revolution. **Speer** wrote that **Rosenberg** often stymied *Himmler's Empire building plans* in the East. Who knows, maybe he was just another crazy nazi occultist, albeit one of mixed ancestry himself. As they say there is none more fervent than the converted.

It has been speculated that **Rosenberg** was model for the character "Meloch" who lead the Nazi Occult Archeological Team in the Steven Spielberg classic "*Raiders of the Lost Ark*" who were in a race with "Indiana Jones" to discover the Lost Ark of Covenant.

Another among the many people who may have influenced **Adolf Hitler's** in the selection of the swastika as a Nazi symbol was **Alfred Rosenberg**, the "intellectual leader" of the Nazi movement.

Born the son of a poor shoemaker, **Alfred Rosenberg's** key to his rise to fame among the Nazi leadership was the possession of a manuscript he smuggled from Moscow, *The Protocols of the Wise Men of Zion*. [1] Some claim that he presented the manuscript to **Hitler**, who saw in it a blueprint to total power.

Rosenberg told a strange story about how the manuscript came to his hands. It is probably that he quickly discovered that it was a forged document. Nevertheless, he also knew that he had in his hands a valuable document, full of racial and political dynamite, which, if used to his advantage, may become the key to his personal success.

Despite some Jewish ancestry, Rosenberg gained access to the *Thule Society* by showing the *Protocols* to **Rudolf Hess** and to **Dietrich Eckart**, who became wildly excited on reading it. Very soon the *Protocols* viewed its first German edition. German intellectuals were impressed. Edition followed edition. The book was given away at no cost and widely distributed. French, Polish, and British editions appeared. Then it was published also in America, in Italy, and in Hungary.

After the creation of the Nazi Party, **Eckart** introduced **Rosenberg** to **Adolph Hitler**, and the young Estonian émigré from Russia became an active Party member. In 1930 Rosenberg reached a high point in his career as a Nazi ideologue with the publication of his most important work, *The Myth of the 20th Century*. According to a review of that time, it was, "with Hitler's *Mein Kampf*, the most important work on National Socialism." The book eventually became a best seller, and sold more than one million copies.

During the World War II, **Rosenberg** led an art-looting staff which carried off to Germany more than 21,000 carloads of stolen paintings, rare books, sculptures, and jewelry. Much of this loot found its way into the private collections of Reichmarshall **Herman Göring**.

Anxious to be in Hitler's good graces, some Nazi leaders, **Rosenberg** prominently among them,

repudiated Christianity completely. Instead, they wanted to set up a pagan cult of "blood, race, and soil." They would go back to the dark ritual of dramatic rites of their ancestors.

The *New Pagans* resurrected Odin, Thor, and the old gods of primitive Teutons before *Christ's* time. Instead of the *Old Testament* they adopted **Nordic sagas and fairy tales**. They set up a new trinity for worship—bravery, loyalty, and physical force.

They even created a hymn for the new German Faith Movement:

The time of the Cross has gone now,
The Sun-wheel shall arise,
And so, with *God*, we shall be free at last
And give our people their honor back.

Though **Hitler** did not openly supported the new paganism, he was not opposed to its ideas. In 1937, he awarded the National Prize, Germany's version of the Nobel Prize, to Alfred Rosenberg, maximum foe of Christianity and leader of the Neo-Pagans. **Rosenberg**, the White Russian turned into Nazi philosopher, wanted a return to the old Teutonic religion of fire, sword, and swastika.

NOTES:

1. The Protocols of the Wise Men of Zion purported to be a record of the proceedings of the Jewish World Congress held in Basel in 1897, at which, it was affirmed, plans were laid towards total world domination by an international Jewish conspiracy.

The Protocols, however, *proved to be a hoax*. They were the appendix of a work called *The Anti-Christ*, written by **Nilus**, a degenerate Russian writer and the protégé of **Soloviev**, the Russian philosopher.

The *Protocols* were largely copied from the book of **Maurice Joly**, *Dialogues aux Enfers entre Machiavel et Montesquieu*, published in 1864. The extraordinary resemblance of the two works could not be accidental, not only whole paragraphs are almost identical, but the various points in the programme follow each other in the same order.

Maurice Joly was a French lawyer, a conservative and a monarchist. He had no intention of writing a secret document; on the contrary, he had in mind a satire against the French emperor, Napoleon III.

The French police soon discovered the author of the anonymous pamphlet, and Joly was sent to prison for fifteen months. His book was published in a second edition and then forgotten. Today scarcely any copies of it can be found.

At the time when **Joly** published his *Dialogues aux Enfers*, the secret societies were particularly active and, as people feared that a number of Jews had penetrated their ranks, a whole crop of literary efforts directed against Jews and secret societies marked the decade.

After thirty years of oblivion, however, Joly's great day came—in Russia. A copy of his book fell in the hands of some agents of the Ochrana, the tsar's secret police. They wanted to scare the tsar and drive him to bloodshed. Using Joly's book as evidence, they persuaded him that the Jews of the whole world had devised a secret conspiracy to achieve domination, first over Russia, then over the whole world.

The superstitious Tsar became frightened. The religious community was concerned by Soloviev's warnings about the imminent coming of the Antichrist. Now **Sergei Nilus**, one of his disciples, had made the Antichrist a Jew.

Authors **Baigent, Leigh and Lincoln** in their "The Holy Blood and Holy Grail", "The

Messianic Legacy", and **"The Temple and the Lodge"** Trilogy say that the **"Protocols"** was actually based on an authentic document about not the **"Jews"**, but about the mysterious **Priory of Sion**.

The **Priory of Sion** is said to be a Secret Society that was allegedly behind the **Knights Templar**, **Freemasonry**, and **Arthurian and Grail Legends** who are working towards the restoration of **World Kingship** for it's "hidden masters". These "hidden masters" are said to be of the **Judaic Royal Messianic Bloodline** descended from **Merovingians**, Arcadia, Troy, Jesus, Mary Magdalene, James, the Benjamites and King David who possess "powers" that are seemingly supernatural.

Resources: The Swastika and the Nazi's

The Thule Society

Heinrich Himmler was a member of the Thule Society, an extreme German nationalist group founded in 1910 by Felix Niedner. It was named after the mythical land of Hyperborea-Thule, which some of the society's devotees identified with Iceland and Greenland, said by them to be the remnants of the lost kingdom of Atlantis. Others claimed that the people of Thule had survived to become a subterranean super-race. They were brought to life by the English novelist Edward Bulwer-Lytton, in his 1871 science fiction novel *The Coming Race*, as the 'Vril-ya', would-be world conquerors imbued with psychokinetic power known as *vril*.

At the turn of the century, the notion of the *Übermensch* ('superman') was taken up by many philosophers, notably Friedrich Nietzsche. It also found favour with the peddlers of a perverted form of Darwinism: another Englishman, the philosopher Houston Stewart Chamberlain, believed in the racial superiority of the 'Aryan' people who inhabited northern Europe.

This struck a chord with the Thule Society. Its members identified the Teuton tribes who, in AD 9, had defeated the Roman legions in the Teutoburg forest as descendants of the lost super-race of Hyperborea-Thule, guardians of the secrets of *vril*.

Origins of the Aryan race

By the early 1920s, a toxic mix of racial theory and Teutonic mysticism had seeped into the philosophy of the Nazis, who were then jostling with a number of rivals for supremacy on the political far right of the Weimar Republic.

A savage twist was given to Nazi thinking in 1923. While incarcerated in Landsberg Prison, Hitler immersed himself in the writings of the scholar Karl Haushofer, a retired major general and now a professor at Munich University. Hitler's close associate Rudolf Hess then introduced him to Haushofer, who is also said to have been the founder of the Vril Society, which sought contacts with subterranean super-beings to learn from them the ancient secrets of Thule. The Vril Society also asserted a central Asian origin of the Aryan race, and Haushofer claimed to have visited Tibet in pursuit of evidence for this.

Lebensraum

Haushofer was also a persuasive advocate of *Lebensraum* ('living space'), a theory that had been a prominent strand of German imperialist ideology since the 1890s and had gained common currency on the German political right. Proponents of *Lebensraum* demanded the German recolonisation of the Slav lands that had been conquered by the Teutonic knights in the Middle Ages and the reuniting of the ethnic German populations of eastern Europe and European Russia.

Hitler was already familiar with these theories, but Haushofer's work undoubtedly provided some of the ideological underpinning of what would evolve into Operation Barbarossa, the invasion of the Soviet Union in June 1941.

Antediluvian primitivism

Hitler, the arch-propagandist, recognised the powerful appeal to the German mind of the antediluvian primitivism espoused by the followers of Thule and *vril*. It legitimised the desire of a defeated people (the Germans in 1918) to reassume the mantle of greatness (of the Teuton victors over the Romans). And it dovetailed with the oft-stated Nazi belief that that its creed was 'more than a religion: it is the determination to create a new man'.

Moreover, there was one plank in the creeds of both the Thule and the Vril societies on which Hitler and Himmler were in complete accord — an absolute determination to destroy the Jews, who were seen as the racial enemy of the *Volk*, the German people.

Enforcer of racial doctrine

An absolute determination to destroy the Jews, who were seen as the racial enemy of the Volk, the German people

In 1933, when Hitler became chancellor of Germany, the fantasies of Himmler and the Thule Society became reality. Tasked with the imposition of the Nazi diktat — and, in particular, racial purity — was Himmler's SS (an abbreviation of *Schutzstaffel*, 'protective echelon'), which had begun life as Hitler's 300-strong personal bodyguard.

By 1939, the SS numbered some 500,000 men, and in World War II, its armed formations (collectively known as the Waffen SS) would fight alongside the regular armed forces of the Third Reich. It was seen by Himmler as the reincarnation of both the Teutonic knights and the knights of the Round Table celebrated in Arthurian legend.

There was an overpoweringly dark side to this vision. In World War II, the SS was the principal enforcer of Nazi racial doctrine. They staffed the Third Reich's concentration and extermination camps, where they conducted cruel experiments to demonstrate 'Aryan' racial superiority. They also formed the core of the *Einsatzgruppen* ('special formations') that were responsible for cleansing eastern Europe of Jews.

The Ahnenerbe and Tibet

The SS had another arm, the *Ahnenerbe Forschungs und Lehrgemeinschaft* — Ancestral Heritage Research and Teaching Society. Founded in 1935 with Hitler's blessing, Himmler merged it with the SS two years later. The *Ahnenerbe*'s overriding duty was to provide scientific,

anthropological and archaeological evidence to support the theories of the Thule Society and, in so doing, determine the origins of the 'Aryan' race.

Some devotees of Nazi racial theory believed that the answer to this mystery lay in the lost city of Atlantis, which they identified as the mythical land of Thule, lying between Greenland and Iceland. This became the putative destination of at least one Nazi expedition.

However, Karl Haushofer was convinced that the key to harnessing the power of *wril* lay in Tibet. He was supported by the Swedish explorer and Nazi sympathiser Sven Hedin, who had led several expeditions to that country. Hitler thought so highly of Hedin that he had invited him to give the opening address at the Berlin Olympics of 1936. In January 1943, Hedin was present when the *Ahnenerbe's Lehr und Forschungsstätte für Innerasien und Expeditionen* – Institute for Inner Asian Research – was formally established.

The expedition to Tibet



Ernst Schäfer, leader of the Nazi expedition to Tibet in 1938.

In 1938, the Tibetans were putting out feelers to Germany, and to Germany's allies, the Japanese, as counterbalances to the influence in the region of Britain and China. In that year, the *Ahnenerbe* mounted an expedition to Tibet led by Ernst Schäfer, a German hunter and biologist who had made two previous expeditions to that part of the world. He would later publish *Festival of the White Gauze Scarves: A research expedition through Tibet to Lhasa, the holy city of the god realm* (1950).

One of the members of the Nazi expedition was the anthropologist Bruno Beger, a supporter of the theory that Tibet was home to the descendants of a 'northern race'. Beger's role was to undertake a scientific investigation of the Tibetan people. During the expedition, he examined the skulls of more than 300 inhabitants of Tibet and Sikkim, and logged their other physical features in minute detail.



Ernst Schäfer (left) and an Ahnenerbe colleague collecting data.

He concluded that, in anthropological terms, the Tibetans represented a staging post between the Mongol and European races, with the European racial element manifesting itself most strongly among the Tibetan aristocracy. He believed that, after the final victory of the Third Reich, the Tibetans could play an important role in the region, serving as an allied race in a world dominated by Germany and Japan.

Underground cities

No more Nazi expeditions are known to have been undertaken. However, some writers have advanced theories that there were both earlier and subsequent missions to Tibet.

In his book *Spear of Destiny* (1973), Trevor Ravenscroft argued that the Germans mounted a series of expeditions between 1926 and 1943. These were, says Ravenscroft, intended to allow the Nazis to maintain contact with their Aryan ancestors, guardians of the occult powers of

vril, who were hidden in underground cities beneath the Himalayas. It is a scenario that evokes Bulwer-Lytton.

Mud huts and stone axes

During World War II, Heinrich Himmler's obsessive search for the origins of the Aryan race led to crackpot archaeological digs in western and southern Russia, the trophies discovered being transported to SS headquarters at Wewelsburg. The agents of the *Ahnenerbe* arrived in the wake of the Wehrmacht to ransack these regions for proof of their German origins.

Even Hitler became testy with Himmler's obsession, protesting: 'Why do we call the world's attention to the fact that we have no past? It isn't enough that Romans were erecting great buildings when our forefathers were living in mud huts. Now Himmler is starting to dig up the villages of mud huts, enthusing over every potsherd and stone axe he finds.'

Sentenced to death

The secret power of the *Vril-ya* could not save the Third Reich. After the Nazis' defeat, the head of the *Ahnenerbe*, Dr Wolfram Sievers, was brought before a war crimes tribunal. He had been closely involved not only with the *Ahnenerbe*'s archaeological activities but also with the grisly racial experiments in the death camps designed to demonstrate the superiority of the 'Aryan' race. He was found guilty, sentenced to death and executed on 2 June 1948 – the only member of the wartime *Ahnenerbe* to suffer this punishment.

The archaeological world of the *Ahnenerbe* may have died with Hitler, Himmler and Sievers. However, after the war, many of its leading academic supporters returned to university life, to re-emerge in post-war Germany as leading professors.

Alfred Rosenberg and Rudolf Hess were active Thulists, both going on to high positions in the Third Reich. By 1919, Anton Drexler, Gottfried Feder and Dietrich Eckart formed the German Worker's Party (GPW) in Munich, approving of State ownership. The German Army was worried that it was a left-wing revolutionary group and sent Adolf Hitler, one of its education officers, to spy on the organization. Hitler discovered that the party's political ideas were similar to his own. The obscure right-wing nationalist (*volkisch*) group had close links with the secretive Thule Society. Sebottendorff's anti-Semitic newspaper changed its name to *Volkischer Beobachter*. Adolf Hitler soon became a leading member and a Munich intelligence agent of the German Worker's Party. In 1920, Hitler was the undisputed leader of the group, which by then was known as the National Socialist German Worker's Party, (Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiterpartei, NSDAP) the official body of Nazism. The *Volkischer Beobachter* became its authorized propaganda newspaper. Dietrich Eckart, a Bavarian Catholic poet and morphine addict, emerged as a leading C* Illuminati godfather of National Socialism. Eckart bought Sebottendorff's anti-Semitic newspaper enterprise. He distorted the Aryan linguistic theories of Professor Max Muller, and exploited the Asiatic expressions of Madame H.P. Blavatsky (1831-1891), the founder of modern Theosophy

THE THULE SOCIETY & NWO

Few people understand why we have become morally bankrupt. However, when we look at society through the eyes of God, through the Bible, we can easily see why we are facing the unprecedented troubles today. This study of America through the eyes of God is what we will always do try to here; stay with us for some eye-opening truths.

In past programs, we have stated that the **New World Order** could not have been realized had it not been for the intense activities of various secret societies throughout the world. We have mentioned one world-wide secret society, the **Brotherhood Of Death Society**, whose symbol is the skull with two crossed bones. The German Brotherhood of Death Society is the **Thule Society**. Adolf Hitler joined this society in 1919, becoming an adept under the leadership of Dietrich Eckhart. Later, the Thule Society selected Hitler to be their leader of the **New World Order**, as Eckhart revealed on his deathbed, saying, "Follow Hitler; he will dance, but it is I who have called the tune. I have initiated him into the Secret Doctrine, opened his centers in vision, and given him the means to communicate with the powers." (Trevor Ravenscroft, *The Spear Of Destiny*, p. 91).

In August, 1990, President George Bush announced that the world had now entered into a **New World Order**. Shockingly President Bush is an adept in an American Brotherhood of. the Yale **Skull and Bones Society**. As we stated earlier, Bush's New World Order is virtually identical with Hitler's; the key connecting point is the common membership in their respective Brotherhood .. (*Behold A Pale Horse*, p. 81; *Introduction To The Order*, p.7).

We will study this connection in depth today. Let us begin with a quick overview of the **Thule Society**, beginning with a study of its practices and relevant history.

* They were Satanists who practiced Black Magic -- this means that they were "solely concerned with raising their consciousness by means of **rituals** to awareness of evil and nonhuman intelligences in the universe; and with achieving means of communication with these intelligences." (Ravenscroft, p. 161). Concentrate on that seemingly innocent word, **rituals**. Christians equate a ritual to a church service, thereby not understanding its occultic meaning. The New Age Dictionary defines **ritual** as a "ceremony to restore balance with nature...and bring back lost harmony and sacredness." Remember we are dealing with the Satanic world, where good is called evil and evil good. The sacred-ness mentioned here is a Satanic sacredness. **Rituals** literally are proscribed activities designed to allow demonic power to flow through the participants. These activities are proscribed chants, formula wordings, and carefully planned actions. As we noted last week, the effect is devastatingly powerful, as demonic force pours through the participants, delivering a counterfeit spiritual experience which literally transforms their lives. Never skip over the word **ritual**, as it is a word of Satanic power.

* Thule members practiced a form of Sexual Magic derived from a lodge of which Aleister Crowley was a member. Crowley was recognized as the foremost worshipper of Satan in the 19th Century. "The origin of this...medieval magic...can be traced to a Freemason, Robert Little, who founded the *Societas Rosicruciana* in 1865... (Ravenscroft, *Spear of Destiny*, p. 164-5). While the actual sexual perversions which were practiced are too

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offensive to share, the results are not. Author Ravenscroft stated that "indulgence in the most sadistic *rituals* awakened penetrating vision into the workings of Evil Intelligences and bestowed phenomenal magical powers." (Ibid. p. 167). This is the Thule Society.

Ravenscroft records its effect upon Hitler, "...sexual perversion took a central place in [Hitler's] life...a monstrous sexual perversion was the very core of his whole existence, the source of his mediumistic and clairvoyant powers, and the motivation behind every act through which he reaped a sadistic vengeance on humanity." (Ibid., p. 171).

Eckart's final act was to initiate Hitler into "a monstrous sadistic magic *ritual*...after which he was sexually impotent. Hitler's impotency had a deep psychological foundation. He knew sexual fulfillment through the extremes of sadism and masochism..."(Ravenscroft, p. 155, 173). This impotency delivered a final devastating blow to Hitler's psychological foundation, finally making him into the sadistic murderer that history knows.

- o Thule society believed in "communication with a hierarchy of Supermen -- The Secret Chiefs of the Third Order". (Ibid) The quality which make these beings supermen was occultic spirituality. Further, they believed in Madame Blavatsky's *Secret Doctrine*, which teaches that certain superman had survived the destruction of Atlantis with their higher levels of consciousness intact. These supermen were Aryans. These two beliefs combined into one through the Thule Society and Hitler, culminating into the Nazi Death Camps. (Ibid, p. 166). When one group of people incorporate into their spiritual belief structure that they are inherently superior to another group of people, it is inevitable that genocide will be attempted as soon as possible.
- o The Thule Society regularly held occultic seances, during which time they communicated with demons who were either masquerading as a dead person or who were just appearing as their *guiding spirits*. Dietrich Eckart, Alfred Rosenberg, and Adolf Hitler invoked the Anti-Christ into manifestation at the mediumistic seances of the Thule Group in Munich." (Ravenscroft, *Spear of Destiny*, p. 168) Eckert believed he had been told by his guiding spirit he would have the privilege of training the coming Great One, the Anti-Christ. From the beginning of their association, Eckert believed Hitler was Anti-Christ. Therefore, Eckert spared no occultic knowledge, ritual, or perversion in his attempt to fully equip Hitler for the role. Once the training was completed, Hitler believed he was "**born anew** with that super-personal strength and resolution he would need to fulfill the mandate ... ordained for him." (p. Ravenscroft, p. 93-4) Hitler literally equated this with the Christian claim to be **born again**.

Now, let us look at the Skull and Bones rituals and beliefs. Little is firmly known about Skull and Bones, because their secrecy since they were established in 1833 is as complete as any society in the world. However, they possess all the requirements of a true secret society.

1. They were formed in secret and all their activities are carried out secretly.
2. Membership is by invitation only. Potential members are carefully screened as to suitability before they are invited to join.
3. The first night of the new member, who is called an initiate, is critically important. The initiate swears total obedience and loyalty to the secret society. This pledge is bound by serious oaths, some of whom would be deadly if actually carried out. The first night is also critically important as it bounds the initiate to the society by means of **ritual**, oaths, and confessions.

The Skull and Bones also incorporates sexual activities into their practices. "The death of

the initiate will be as frightful as the use of human skeletons and *ritual psychology* can make it..." (Esquire Magazine, "The Last Secrets of Skull and Bones", Ron Rosenbaum, p. 89). Sexual perversion is part of ritual psychology. Ron Rosenbaum, author of the Esquire Magazine article, stated that on initiation night, called *tap night*, "...if one could climb to the tower of Weir Hall, the odd castle that overlooks the Bones courtyard, one could hear strange cries and moans coming from the bowels of the tomb as the 15 newly tapped members were put through what sounded like a harrowing ordeal..." (Esquire, September, 1976, p. 86).

Further,[initiates] "lay naked in coffins and tell their deepest and darkest sexual secrets as part of their initiation." (Esquire, p. 85). These experiences in the coffins incorporated sexual pain and resulted in being born-again, into the Order, as we mentioned above. (Cooper, p.95) Powerful force charges through the participants of these ceremonies, transforming their lives dramatically. This type ritual is classic Satanism. Anton LaVey states, in his book *The Satanic Rituals: Companion To The Satanic Bible*, (p. 57)

"The ceremony of rebirth takes place in a large coffin..This is similar to the coffin symbolism that...is found in most lodge rituals." Make no mistake about it: Any organization which utilizes this coffin ritual to simulate rebirth is practising Satanism, including Skull and Bones.

The Skull and Bones believes that on the night of initiation, the initiate "dies to the world and be born again into the Order..." (Esquire Magazine, September, 1977, p. 89). Remember Hitler's belief that he had been *born anew* after his ritualistic initiation and training? This term is a common one in occultism. During the 1988 Presidential Campaign, a TV reporter asked Vice-President Bush if he were a Christian. Bush initially stammered, but then said, "if you mean *born again*, then, yes, I am a Christian".

As born-again Christians carry out the ritual of water baptism by immersion to demonstrate that they have died to the old way of life and have been reborn into a new life, the occultists have their ritual to demonstrate the same life transformation. Rosenbaum continues his expose' of the born-again experience, "then it's into the coffin and off on a symbolic journey through the underworld to rebirth, which takes place in room number 322. There, the Order clothes the newborn knight in its own special garments, implying that, henceforth, he will tailor himself to the Order's mission." (Ibid., p. 89, 148). This ritual description is as occultic as any I have read, and truly reveals the Skull and Bones as occultic.

One of the most sobering facets of this counterfeit *born again* initiation ritual is that the initiate swears to an allegiance to the Secret Order that transcends any allegiance later in life. Christian author Bill Cooper captures this disturbing fact most succinctly, "...Members of the Order (Skull and Bones) take an oath that absolves them from any allegiance to any nation or king or government or constitution, and that includes the negating of any subsequent oath which they may be required to take. They swear allegiance only to the Order and its goal of a New World Order...according to the oath Bush took when he was initiated into Skull and Bones, his oath of office as President of the United States means nothing." (Cooper, Behold A Pale Horse, p. 81-82). Since the oath as President occurred *after* the Oath to Skull and Bones, it is not worth the paper on which it is printed. That kind of hold is powerful. Indeed, as Ron Rosenbaum began the research necessary to write his article for Esquire, he was warned about the power of Skull and Bones. "The power of Bones is incredible. They have their hands on every lever of power in the country."

The only thing which is important to the Skull and Bones is their goal of a New World Order. In conjunction with this understanding, remember one other Secret Society belief, i.e., the ends justify the means.

As Rosenbaum continued his research, he found definite links between Bones and the Bavarian Illuminists. The Bavarian Illuminists were part of the original Masters of the Illuminati. First, Rosenbaum discovered documents which detailed the origins of Bones back to Germany. These documents stated, "Bones is a chapter of a corps of a German University..." The document described at length its relationship with this German Secret Society (the Thule Society) which lead to the founding of the Skull and Bones in 1832.

Secondly, Rosenbaum discovered that, "above the arched walls above the vault of the (Bones) sacred room, #322", is a painting of skulls surrounded by Masonic symbols. Above this painting is the slogan, in German, which means, "Who is the fool, who the wise man, beggar, or king? Whether poor or rich, all's the same in death." This means that only the works which one does in this life is what matters; in death, all men share the same fate. This statement is very consistent with the teachings of Secret Societies, showing their Works-oriented philosophy.

Thirdly, Rosenbaum discovered a "haunting photograph of the altar room at one of the Masonic lodges at Nuremberg that is closely associated with Illuminism. Haunting because at the altar room's center, approached through an aisle of hanging human skeletons, is a coffin surmounted by...a skull and crossed bones that look exactly like the particular arrangement of jawbones and thighbones in the official Bones emblem. {Finally}, the skull and crossbones was the official crest of another key Illuminist lodge..." (Esquire, p.88). It is shocking also when we realize that German Nazi death camp guards wore this emblem of Skull and Bones on the shoulders of their uniforms.

Without doubt, we have established Skull and Bones to be a Brotherhood of Death Society, which is itself tied into the Masters of the Illuminati. It is no wonder that Bush has been proclaiming the New World Order

RESULTS

We have studied the common philosophical and religious links between the German Thule Society and Skull and Bones. We now need to study the historical results of the attempt of the Thule Society to establish a New World Order. After the Thule Society selected Adolf Hitler to be their leader of the New World Order, they faced the problem of practical implementation of this goal. They realized that their plans for world domination required control of military power of Germany; however, the military is controlled by those holding political power, and Germany was a democracy. Therefore, the Thule Society created the Nazi Party.

The Guiding Spirits of the Thule Society became the Guiding Spirits of the Nazi Party. In only 10 tumultuous years, Hitler gained high political office, from which he catapulted himself into the position of absolute dictator in 1933. In 1938, Hitler began the Final Solution of the Jewish problem by initiating the Holocaust. In 1939, Hitler initiated World War II, which lasted until Mid-1945. As I read the results, remember James' words, "Then the evil desire, when it has conceived, gives birth to sin, and sin, when it is fully matured, brings forth death." By 1945, the occultic sin conceived by the Thule Society had come to

full completion. These are the results: (Source is The Webster Family Encyclopedia, Volume 19, 1984, p. 492-3)

* Enormous armies were mobilized around the world.

1. Russia 12,500,000 men
2. America 12,400,000 men
3. Germany 10,000,000 men
4. Japan 6,000,000 men
5. France 5,000,000 men
6. Britain 4,700,000 men
7. Italy 4,000,000 men
8. China 3,800,000 men
9. Canada 1,100,000 men

Total World-Wide Mobilization: 59,500,000 men

The death toll was almost incomprehensible.

1. Russia 10,000,000 soldiers - 10,000,000 civilians
2. Germany 3,000,000 soldiers - 500,000 civilians
3. Japan 2,000,000 soldiers - 500,000 civilians
4. Italy 330,000 soldiers - 80,000 civilian
5. Britain 350,000 soldiers - 60,000 civilian
6. France 200,000 soldiers - 200,000 civilian
7. China 1,300,000 soldiers - (no estimate on civilian deaths)
8. Poland 600,000 soldiers - 5,000,000 civilians
9. America 390,000 soldiers (negligible civilian deaths)

Total human lives killed was:

18,200,000 soldiers and 16,300,000 civilians for 34,000,000 total deaths. When you add 18,000,000 deaths from Hitler's Death Camps, you realize that over 54 million people lost their lives as the final result of the occultic practices and goals of the New World Order of that German Brotherhood of Death Society, the Thule Society. The 6,000,000 Jewish deaths from Hitler's Final Solution represented two-thirds of the total world-wide Jewish population.

Hitler came close to winning WWII, but God's timing was not yet come. However, some of the after-effects of WWII served to set the stage for the current drive toward the New World Order.

Alice Bailey states in her book, *The Externalisation of the Hierarchy*, that the world must be united regionally before it can be united into one. Stalin repeated this concept shortly before his death in 1953. World War II certainly provided the impetus for this type reorganization. The World was reorganized militarily into NATO in Europe, the Warsaw Pact in Eastern Europe, and SEATO in Asia. Economic regionalization also occurred along approximately the same lines. Repeated cultural, economic, and religious regionalizations have been created since WWII.

- o The infant One-World Government was created as the United Nations, in 1948. A similar effort was orchestrated after WWI as the League of Nations, but was defeated. One of the first actions of the United Nations was to create the nation of Israel, thus fulfilling God's prophecies to return her back to her Promised Land in the Last Days.
- o Tremendous technological progress was achieved under the impetus of war. The atomic bomb was created, as were the jet engine, the rocket, and modern telecommunications. New Age author, Allen Neuharth, in his book, *Nearly One World*, states that these inventions have brought the world to the threshold of a One-World Government, Economy, and Religion, i.e., the New World Order.

This brief review of the after-effects of WWII clearly shows much was achieved that set the stage for the current New World Order. Let us now review some of the goals which Secret Societies today have for the New World Order. Keep in mind that the Skull and Bones is the driving force and is the "first among equals" among all other Secret Societies and all other open organizations which are committed to this new order.

- o One World Government -- the only answer to man's problems.
- o One World Economy
- o One World Religion -- Man's evil actions historically are ascribed to his divisions into many different religions. Therefore, much emphasis is being laid on the re-uniting into one religion. The current Ecumenical Movement is leading the charge toward this all-important goal. In a seminar held in Boston in August, 1991, the current New England Director of the Theosophical Society stated that, at the proper moment in world history the Roman Catholic Pope would travel to Jerusalem to address a world-wide religious conference. In his speech, he would declare all the world's religions to be united into One. Thus, Alice Bailey's Plan, stated almost 50 years ago, would be realized, i.e., that the Great One would reinstate the Ancient Mysteries Religion as the New World Order Religion. "These Mysteries, when restored, will unify all faiths." (*Externalisation of the Hierarchy*, p. 573, written in 1946).

One of the most basic plans after the New World Order is established is to reduce the world's population from its present 6 billion to 2 billion ... (Constance Cumbeys, *Hidden Dangers of the Rainbow*). Thus, birth control and abortion were early identified as necessary to begin reducing population. Our current emphasis on man's devastating effects upon the earth and upon Global Warming and pollution are designed to convince people that only united, drastic action from the United Nations can save this planet from collapse.

How can this drastic reduction be achieved within this short time frame? The basic answer is **war**.

- o Bailey, in her book, *The Externalisation of the Hierarchy*, p. 548, states that the atomic bomb will be turned over to the One-World Government and will be used against any nation who refuses to go along with the New World Order.
- o Bill Cooper, in his book, *Behold A Pale Horse*, quotes a document from the Bilderberg Secret Society, which is an offshoot of Skull and Bones. "Since most of the general public will not exercise [economic] restraint...[we must] take control of the world by the use of economic *silent weapons* in a form of *quiet warfare* and reduce [the dangerous levels of consumption] of the world to a safe level by a process of benevolent slavery and genocide." (p. 49). How could anyone ever think of slavery and genocide as being benevolent? This was the precise thinking of Hitler as he was planning his New World Order. He was going to rid the world of all the undesirables by benevolent warfare. We reviewed the horrible results in the beginning of the pro-program; however, these figures pale

in comparison with the deaths of 4 billion people.

At this point, you may protest that the drive to the New World Order is being achieved peacefully. This is true, and when it is fully achieved will fulfill Biblical prophecy which states 1 Thessalonians 5:3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

Further, these plans, if carried out, will also fulfill Biblical prophecy in Revelation 6:4 and there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

Thus, we see that the New World Order goals of the Secret Societies, chief of which is Skull and Bones, when completed, would fulfill many Biblical Prophecies.

Editor: Steve Van Nattan- This was copyrighted material, but the producers used Bibles other than the King James Bible, so I am not giving their address or URL until they change from their funny book to the Bible. This is a classic case showing how people can do a masterful job of dealing with Satanic attacks in one area, yet they are totally blind to the attack on the very foundation of our warfare- the Word of God.

I have changed the Bible texts in the above article to the KJV. [The original source was the Cutting Edge Ministry]

BACK

Rudolf von Sebottendorf

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
(Redirected from Rudolf von Sebottendorff)

Rudolf Freiherr von Sebottendorff (or **von Sebottendorf**) was the alias of **Adam Alfred Rudolf Glauer** (November 9, 1875 – May 8, 1945 or 1950s), who also occasionally used another alias, Erwin Torre. He was an important figure in the activities of the Thule Society, a post-World War I German occultist organization that influenced many members of the NSDAP. He was a Freemason and a practitioner of sufi meditation, astrology, numerology, and alchemy.

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Early life and influences

Glauer was born in Hoyerswerda, Saxony, Germany, the son of an engine driver from Dresden. He later used the alias Sebottendorff because he claimed that he had been adopted by the Sebottendorff family and had a claim to the title of Freiherr. He worked as a technician in Egypt between 1897-1900. After a short career as a merchant seaman, Glauer settled in Turkey in 1901 and worked as an engineer on a large estate there. He became an Ottoman citizen.

Glauer was initially interested in Freemasonry and Theosophy. In Turkey, he became interested in numberology, kabbala, and Sufism, especially the Sufism of the untypical Bektashi order. He may well have converted to Islam, although the evidence (from his own semi-autobiographical writings) is unclear on this point-It should also be known that, at that time many such Bektashi orders were attended by the Donmeh groups who were secret disciples of Shabtai Tzvi. By about 1912, he became convinced that he had discovered what he called "the key to spiritual realization," described by a later historian as "a set of numerological meditation exercises that bear little resemblance to either Sufism or Masonry."^[1]

After fighting on the Ottoman-Turkish side in the First Balkan War, Glauer returned to Germany in 1913. He was exempted from military service during the First World War because of his Ottoman citizenship and because of a wound received during the First Balkan War.

Involvement with the Thule Society

By 1916, Glauer had attracted only one follower. In that year, however, he came into contact with the Germanenorden, and was appointed their *Ordensmeister* (local group leader) for the Bavaria division. Settling in Munich, he established the Thule Society, which became increasingly political, and in 1918 established a political party, the German Workers' Party. This party was joined in 1919 by Adolf Hitler, who transformed it into the National Socialist German Workers' Party or Nazi Party.

By then, however, Glauer had left the Thule Society and Bavaria, having been accused of negligence in allegedly

allowing the names of several key Thule Society members to fall into the hands of the government of the short-lived Munich Soviet Republic, resulting in the execution of seven members after the attack on the Munich government in April 1919, an accusation that he never denied. Glauer fled Germany for Switzerland and then Turkey.

Later life

After leaving Germany, Glauer published *Die Praxis der alten türkischen Freimauerei: Der Schlüssel zum Verständnis der Alchimie* ("The practice of ancient Turkish Freemasonry: The key to the understanding of alchemy"), and then, in 1925, *Der Talisman des Rosenkreuzers* ("The Talisman of the Rose-crossers"), a semi-autobiographical novel which is the main source for his earlier life (see: "Rosicrucians").

He returned to Germany in January 1933, and published *Bevor Hitler kam: Urkundlich aus der Frühzeit der Nationalsozialistischen Bewegung* (Before Hitler Came: Documents from the Early Days of the National Socialist Movement), dealing with the Thule Society and the DAP. Hitler himself understandably disliked this book, which was banned. Glauer was arrested, but somehow escaped (presumably due to some friendship from his Munich days) and in 1934 returned to Turkey. At one point he was trapped in an elevator for two days and resorted to drinking his own urine before being found.

Glauer was an agent of the German military intelligence in Istanbul during the period 1942–1945, while apparently also working as a double agent for the British military. His German handler, Herbert Rittlinger, later described him as a "useless" agent (*eine Null*), but kept him on largely, it seems, because of an affection for "this strange, by then penniless man, whose history he did not know, who pretended enthusiasm for the Nazi cause and admiration for the SS but who in reality seemed little interested in either, much preferring to talk about Tibetans."^[2]

Glauer is generally thought to have committed suicide by jumping into the Bosphorus on May 8, 1945. Current research indicates that this suicide may have been faked by Turkish intelligence, for whom Glauer was *also* working, and that he moved to Egypt, and died there in the 1950s.

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Note regarding personal names: *Freiherr* is a title, translated as *Baron*, not a first or middle name. The female forms are *Freifrau* and *Freiin*.

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Rudolf Glandeck von Sebottendorff

There are two claims made about the German Nazis that have been debunked by scholarly research but which continue to enjoy popular interest. The first is that Adolf Hitler and the Nazis were driven by an occult agenda; that their early success, and ultimate failure, was a result of either supernatural intervention, or their magical attempts to control the supernatural. A second claim is found in certain branches of conspiracy theory: that the Nazis were created by the Freemasons.

It is a curious historical footnote that a link can be found between the National Socialist German Workers' Party (NSDAP), founded in 1920, and the Germanenorden, a magical fraternity founded at a conference of occultists in May of 1912, organised by disciples of Guido von List (1848-1919/05/17) and Adolf Lanz, *aka* Jörg Lanz von Liebenfels (1874-1954) in the home of Theodor Fritsch.

The link was Rudolf Glandeck von Sebottendorff (1875/11/09 - 1945/05/09). The son of a Silesian railway engineer, Sebottendorff was born Adam Alfred Rudolf Glauer. He travelled to Turkey in 1900, where he was adopted by Baron Heinrich von Sebottendorff in 1909, and also claimed to have been initiated into Freemasonry.¹ Changing his name and taking Turkish citizenship, he returned to Germany in 1913. Sebottendorff's version of Freemasonry did not prevent his striking up a friendship with the Germanenorden chancellor, Hermann Pohl, who violently opposed Freemasonry as being international and Jew-ridden, but who used masonic terminology and organizational structure, believing this would insure secrecy.

Shortly after Sebottendorff's return to Germany, the Germanenorden splintered, its then ex-chancellor, Hermann Pohl, establishing the German Order Walvater of the Holy Grail. Pohl was joined in 1916 by Sebottendorff who was made Master of the Bavarian section of the order in 1917. Sebottendorff later established another occult society in Munich on August 17, 1918 as a cover identity for the Germanenorden: the Thule Gesellschaft, named after the mythic northern island home of the white race: Ultima Thule.²

Originally called the "Studiengruppe für germanisches Altertum" (Study Group for German Antiquity), it derived its ideology (and some members) from earlier occult groups founded by List—the Armenan (est, 1908)—and Liebenfels—the Order of the New Templars (est. 1900)—and from the writings of Madame Blavatsky. Yet this facade of occult study hid a counter-revolutionary activism of stockpiled weapons; schemes to kidnap the Communist leader, Kurt Eisner; infiltration of spies into the Communist cadres; and the Kampfbund Thule paramilitary group.³



With the suppression of many other groups by a suspicious government, the Thule became a meeting place for nationalistic, pan-German rightist Bunds. A leading part in the successful attack on Munich's Communists on April 30, 1919 was played by Thulists who allied themselves with the Freikorps Oberland to fight the Bavarian republic of councils (Räterepublik).⁴ Sebottendorff resigned from the group in June of 1919. While the Thule continued to meet as a political and cultural club until 1925, Sebottendorff and the Thule's more activist members joined with the Committee of Independent Workers on January 5, 1919 to found the Deutsche Arbeiterpartei: the German Workers' Party. Shortly after Hitler joined this group, they again renamed themselves the National Socialist German Workers' Party.

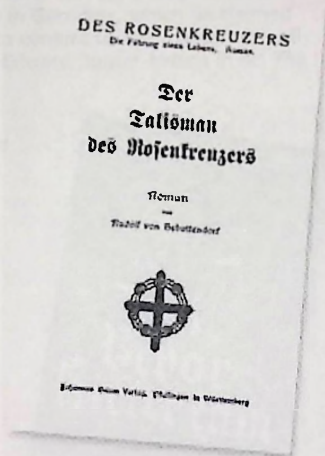
Sebottendorff's real association with Freemasonry is difficult to determine, although it appears that he was initiated into an irregular body of the Rite of Memphis under the Grand Orient of France.⁵ From his own writings it is clear that his version of Freemasonry incorporated aspects of Islamic Sufi mysticism, alchemy, astrology and Rosicrucianism. In his autobiographical novel *Der Talisman des Rosenkreuzers* (The Rosicrucian Talisman), he made a clear distinction between Turkish Freemasonry and regular Freemasonry:

"It must be shown that Oriental Freemasonry still retains faithfully even today the ancient teachings of wisdom forgotten by modern Freemasonry, whose Constitution of 1717 was a departure from the true way." "We look at our world as a product of the people. The Freemason looks at it as a product of conditions..."⁶

Sebottendorff believed that the esoteric tradition of Sufism was the purest stream of wisdom and that it had nourished European occultism through astrologists, Rosicrucians and authentic freemasons of the Middle Ages. He claimed:

"No one can accuse me of profanation, nor of sacrilege in uncovering the course of these mysteries...It is the means that the communities of dervishes traditionally use in order to acquire special strength by means of unusual techniques. They are, for the most part, men who aspire to the highest rite, that from which come those who have been prepared for their missions as spiritual leaders of Islam... This high rite is the practical basis of Freemasonry, and it inspired in times past the work of the alchemists and of the Rosicrucians...But to reply to the accusation of my being guilty of some kind of treachery: I say to you plainly that this book has been written on the instructions of the leaders of the Order."⁷

Subsequent authors such as Jean-Michel Angebert (pseudonym for Michel Bertrand and Jean Angelini), Trevor Ravenscroft, James Herbert Brennan, and Gerald Suster made much of the occult leanings of the



Thule and its influence on the Nazi party and Hitler. Many of their claims have been effectively debunked by Goodrick-Clarke whose research proves, among other things, that Ravenscroft lied about his source and invented his history of a social network of Munich-based occultists.⁸

"This sensational image of the Thule Society and its members is almost entirely a fictional invention. Hitler never attended a single meeting of the Thule Society. While the founder of the Thule Society, Rudolf von Sebottendorff, was certainly interested in the occult, a detailed diary of its regular meetings from 1919 to 1925 maintained by its secretary, Johannes Hering, mentions only two lectures on such topics. On 31 August 1918, Sebottendorff gave a talk on dowsing, of which Hering disapproved, commenting that occultism brought dubious members into the Thule from time to time; and on 23 February 1919 a certain Wilde lectured on occultism. All other lectures and excursions were devoted to such themes as megalithic culture, the original homeland of the Teutons, Germanic myths and poetry, the Thule legend, the Jews and Zionism, and current political issues."⁹ Goodrick-Clarke traces the theory of an occult inspired Nazism to a French Christian mystic, Renéé Kopp who, in 1934, wrote of invisible spirits influencing Hitler. Later, the self-proclaimed German rocket engineer, Willy Ley, in 1947 wrote an article for a pulp fantasy magazine ridiculing pseudoscience in Germany, which he claimed included a Berlin sect attempting to conjure up the mysterious vril force described by British novelist Edward Bulwer-Lytton in his *The Coming Race* (1871).¹⁰

While French journalists Louis Pauwels and Jacques Bergier,¹¹ and others, saw a magical explanation for the effectiveness of the Hitler myth, Goodrick-Clarke demonstrated that although the Thule was purportedly a literary-cultural group, this appears to have been a cover for counter-revolutionary activism. Sebottendorff's *Bevor Hitler kam*, a 1933 attempt to claim some of Hitler's glory,¹² and Hermann Rauschning's *Hitler speaks*, a discredited attempt to paint Hitler as a magician,¹³ are often used to support this claim.



Ravenscroft saw a link between the Thule and such early "fringe freemasons" as Robert Wentworth Little, but his research standards are demonstrated when, among other errors, he identifies Dietrich Eckart as being Rudolf Glauer.¹⁴

Sebottendorff, expelled from Germany in 1923 as an undesirable alien, returned in 1933. With his book, *Bevor Hitler kam*, banned by the Bavarian political police on March 1, 1934, and the Thule Group dissolved, Sebottendorff was arrested by the Gestapo, interned in a concentration camp and then expelled to Turkey, where he committed suicide by jumping into the Bosphorus on May 9, 1945 upon hearing of the German surrender.¹⁵

Anti-masons will attempt to embarrass Freemasonry by imagining a link with Hitler, and occult writers will attempt to inflate the importance of magic in world affairs, but neither of these claims can be proven from the available facts. < >

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Anton Drexler

Anton Drexler was born in Germany on 13th June, 1884. He worked as a machine-fitter before becoming a locksmith in Berlin in 1902.

A fervent nationalist Drexler was upset when he was rejected as unfit to serve in the German Army during the First World War.

In 1919 Drexler joined with Gottfried Feder and Dietrich Eckart to form the German Workers's Party (GPW) in Munich. Adolf Hitler joined the party soon afterwards. He was only the fifty-fourth person to join the party. Hitler was immediately asked to join the executive committee and was later appointed the party's propaganda manager.

In the next few weeks Hitler brought several members of his army into the party, including one of his commanding officers, Captain Ernst Roehm. The arrival of Roehm was an important development as he had access to the army political fund and was able to transfer some of the money into the GWP.

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Hitler successfully persuaded Drexler that the GWP should change its name to the National Socialist German Workers Party (NSDAP). In February 1920, Hitler and Drexler published its first programme which became known as the "25 Points". In the programme the party refused to accept the terms of the Versailles Treaty and called for the reunification of all German people. To reinforce their ideas on nationalism, equal rights were only to be given to German citizens. "Foreigners" and "aliens" would be denied these rights.

To appeal to the working class and socialists, the programme included several measures that would redistribute income and war profits, profit-sharing in large industries, nationalization of trusts, increases in old-age pensions and free education.

The programme was also reflected the racist views shared by Drexler and Adolf Hitler. It appealed to the Anti-Semitism that existed in Germany at that time by stating that "Citizenship is to be determined by race; no Jew to be a German."

On 24th February, 1920, the NSDAP (later nicknamed the Nazi Party) held a mass rally where it announced its new programme. The rally was attended by over 2,000 people, a great improvement on the 25 people who were at Hitler's first party meeting.

Hitler knew that the growth in the party was mainly due to his skills as an orator and in the autumn of 1921 he challenged Drexler for the leadership of the party. After brief resistance Drexler accepted the

inevitable, and Hitler became the new leader of the Nazi Party.

Anton Drexler left the NSDAP in 1923 and was a forgotten figure by the time he died in Munich on 24th February, 1942.

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Dietrich Eckart was born on 23rd March, 1868. He studied medicine but left before he obtained his degree. For the next few years he attempted to make a living from writing plays and poems.

In 1913 he joined the right-wing Thule Society and was actively involved in politics in Munich. This included writing the nationalist play, *Heinrich of the High Baptism*.

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Gottfried Feder, the son of a government official, was born in Wurzburg, Germany, on 27th January, 1883. He studied engineering in Berlin and Zurich before starting his own construction company in 1908.

During the First World War Feder developed a hostility to Germany's wealthy bankers and in 1919 he published his *Manifesto on Breaking the Shackles of Interest*.

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Feder published his book, *National and Social Bases of the German State* in 1920. In 1923 Feder took part in the Beer Hall Putsch. He remained one of the leaders of the party and in 1924 was elected to the Reichstag.

Throughout the 1920s Feder was a leader of the anti-capitalist wing of the Nazi Party. He put forward his views in *Das Programm der NSDAP* (1931), *Kampf gegen die Hochfinanz* (1933) and *Die Juden* (1933) where he expressed his anti-semitic views.

As Feder held the important post of chairman of the party's economic council, his anti-capitalist views led to a decline in financial support from Germany's major industrialists. After pressure from figures such as Albert Voegler, Gustav Krupp, Friedrich Flick, Fritz Thyssen, Hjalmar Schacht and Emile Kirdorf, Hitler decided to move the party away from Feder's left-wing economic theories.

When Adolf Hitler became chancellor in 1933 he appointed Feder as Under-Secretary at the Ministry of Economics. Feder was disappointed that he had not been given a more senior position. However, as one of the leaders of the left-wing of the Nazi Party, Hitler saw him as a threat to his leadership.

After the Night of the Long Knives where other left-wingers such as Gregor Strasser and Ernst Roehm were murdered, Feder resigned from the government. Gottfried Feder worked as a university lecturer until his death on 24th September, 1941.