

Holocaust Awareness Week:

THE 1945 DRESDEN HOLOCAUST

holocaust (hol-o-caust) - a sacrifice consumed by fire. a thorough destruction involving extensive loss of life especially through fire (*Merriam-Webster*)



In the final days of World War II, the Allies unleashed a horrific terror bombing campaign upon Dresden, Germany, a city characterized during the war by its total lack of military installations or tactical importance. Prior to this holocaust, Dresden had become a haven for civilian refugees, women, and children who had lost their homes during the war. Many of these Germans were recovering in Dresden's hospitals at the time of the attack. At 10 p.m., February 13, 1945, British bombers dropped over 3,000 high explosives and

650,000 fire bombs onto the city of suffering men, women, and children. The murderous attack had no military rationale, but was designed to slaughter as many civilians as possible. Hours later, the British returned and pummeled the helpless city with more bombs, leaving a firestorm visible for 200 miles. The next day, the Allied air forces finished the Germans off with another massive bombing, leaving the final death toll for the two-day massacre at an estimated 300,000. More men, women and children died in Dresden than died during the much reported attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. More destruction was unleashed on Dresden in this one attack than was inflicted on the whole of Britain during the entire war. And yet most people are completely unaware of this atrocity.

There is much more to the tragedy of the last World War and its aftermath than the controlled media are telling you.

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