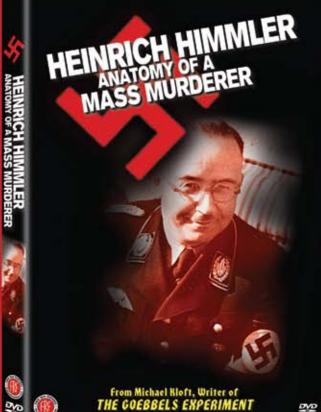


From the Filmmaker Behind THE GOEBBELS EXPERIMENT THE REICH UNDERGROUND and TV UNDER THE SWASTIKA





Born into a Bavarian bourgeois family, Heinrich Himmler became the driving force behind the indescribable crimes that made the Nazi regime so unique in modern history. An early henchman of Hitler's, Himmler turned a small gang of thugs into a monstrous pseudo-religious order and widely feared instrument of terror – the SS.

As a compliant servant to his Führer, Himmler controlled an economic empire in which hundreds of thousands of slave workers were exploited and extermination camps murdered millions. Using rare archival materials and

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interviews, this film biography shows how - and why - Himmler became a "monster of history".



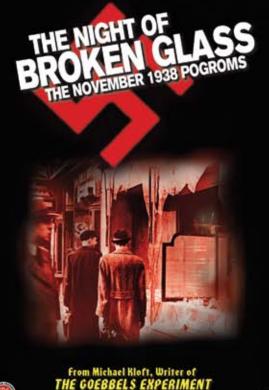
After seizing power, the Nazis began their crusade against Jews with discriminatory laws and the looting of property; they turned to violence openly in what has come to be known as Kristallnacht: the night of broken glass.

In November 1938 German soldiers set on fire some 400 synagogues and destroyed 7,000 Jewish stores and businesses. More than 90 people were killed, 600 committed suicide, and over 26,000 men were deported to concentration camps.

Through rare footage, photographs and documents, The Night of Broken Glass reveals the background to this orgy of anti-Semitic violence,

which - while masterminded by the Nazi regime - is shown to have been largely accepted by the German public.





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