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TO FOR ACTION : US FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER MAIN FOR ASST CHIEF
OF STAFF G-2
REF NO : P-1829, 10 DEC 1945 CITE: GUKCB-944

Re SD member THEODORE DANNECKER, age 32, SSANP
Card number H-3873.

Committed suicide by hanging in the BAD TOLL
AND jail on 10 Dec 45. DANNECKER was arrested in BAD TOLL by
the CIC on 10 Dec 45 on a tip from an informer. Admitted his
connections as outlined on SSANP Card H-3873 and added that he
was the Werewolf Leader of the BLACK FOREST. FREIBURG-TITISEN-
REUENSTADT-SAJNT MERGEN REHNICH. Had false discharge papers
from Heersricht. Report follows.

ACTION : G-2
INFORMATION : AG RECORDS

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THIRD US ARMY AND EASTERN MILITARY DISTRICT
303d Counter Intelligence Corps
APO 403

10 December 1945

INFORMATION FOR TWX TO USFET INTELLIGENCE CENTER

SUBJECT: Apprehension of DANNECKER, Theo.

1. On 9 December 1945 agents of this detachment apprehended DANNECKER Theo in Bad Tolz at 2300 hours. Preliminary interrogation shows that subject was born in Tubingen on 27/3/1913: his last address was Hofer Kries Zelle Gutshof Singer: was a member of the NSDAP since 1932: member of the Allgemeine SS since 1932, highest rank Hauptsturmfuhrer: was employed by SD working under RSHA Berlin Ampt IV: served in Berlin, France, Sofia, Italy and Hungary: mission was SD agent handling Jewish questions, working under Obersturmbannfuhrer Eichmann, Adolph, Ampt IV RSHA: from 1940 to 1942 subject was commanding officer of SD in Dijon and Burgundia, France: from January to September 1942 he was assistant to the Polish attachee in Sofia, after which he was transferred to Italy where he was commanding officer of the SD dienst in Verona, under Gruppenfuhrer Dr. Haster: he was given the mission in Sofia and Verona to apprehend all Jews for transport to Germany: in February 1944 he left Italy and was sent by Berlin SD ~~RSHA~~ to Budapest, Hungary, where his mission was to work out the transportation difficulties arising from the large numbers of Jews to be deported: in January 1945 became liaison officer between Berlin RSHA Ampt IV and Hungarian gendarmerie: in February 1945 he was transferred from Ampt IV to Ampt I RSHA: in April 1945 he received orders from SS Oberfuhrer Ehrlinger, Chief Ampt I, to proceed to Stuttgart to bolster German morale and to continue resistance by the people: upon approach of the Americans he volunteered for the Wehrwolf movement and served in the Black Forest, Itiesee, Freudenstadt and Saint Mergen, with approximately 20 volunteers serving under him: he falsified German army discharge papers, remaining in Saint Mergen as that was his assigned territory for Wherewolf activities: subject admits that he had personal contact with Kaltenbrunner in Berlin in February 1945. Subject is also wanted by Military Government court officer in Bad Tolz for questioning concerning the murder of one of his children, for which crime his wife is now under arrest.

2. It is suggested that subject be transferred to Intelligence Center for detailed interrogation concerning his SD activities.

WILLIAM J. DELMORE
1st Lt. CIC

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A b s c h r i f t !

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Meine liebe Frau !

Lebe wohl und küsse den Berad von mir.

Habe Dank für Deine Liebe zu mir und Dein Verstehen meines
Herzens.

Ich gehe zu unserem Theole.

In menschlichem Schmerz
und übergrosser Liebe

gez: Dein Theo

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10 December 1945.

My dear wife!

Farewell and kiss Bernd for me.
Many thanks for the love you gave me and your understanding
my heart.
I'll go to our Theole.

in endless pain
and greatest love

signed: your Theo

Please give to my wife!

Mrs.

Ilse Dannecker
T 6 1 z , 27 Ludwigstrasse
(house Waldherr)

Transl.: IP/IP/1.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR LANDKREIS TÖLZ

12 Dec 1945

SUBJECT: Theodor DANNECKER.
TO : Director, Office of Military Government for Landkreis Tölz,
Det H-284, Co. E, Third Mil Gov Regt, APO 403 US Army.

1. Attached hereto are reports of jail doctor and jailer in re death of above subject by hanging.

2. All reasonable precautions are taken to prevent suicides, by any prisoner and with subject an additional precaution by removal of all movable articles in the cell where he was writing his life history. The cord which subject used was about twenty-eight (28) inches long and was used as a substitute for a chain to lower the cell window in order to afford ventilation. Subject at night was placed in another cell with other prisoners so as to prevent suicide. This is SOP as to all political prisoners as well as regular routine inspections of all cells. The civilian policeman who is on duty during the day was keeping order among the prisoners awaiting trial by MG Court in a room adjacent to the jail at time subject took his life.

3. It is the opinion of this office that there was no negligence on part of the person in charge of the jail.

HAROLD T. LUTZ
Capt. Q. M. C.
Military Government
Summary Court
Officer

Incls: 2
Incl 1 - Medical Report
Incl 2 - Jailer's Report

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Dr. Kurt Wiemer
Jail doctor.

Bad Tölz, 10 December 1945
19 Heisstrasse
telephone No. 485

TO: Summary Court Officer
Capt. Lutz

B a d T ö l z

To-day in the afternoon on the occasion of my visiting the cells of the Amtsgericht's jail I entered the cell No. 6 about 3 p. m. I had been told that an SS-officer of higher rank had been put into this cell. Opening the cell I saw the inmate standing near the window with a cord around his neck. He was hanged. I found out that the body has already got cold. The formation of spots on the hands and the rigormortis had begun already. The life completely had died away. The face of the dead was pale; that shows that the death was caused by a spinal cord split and not by strangulation. With the knife of the jailer Schlämp I cut through the cord which was used for hanging. I put the dead on the bed of the cell and removed the cord which was around the neck. The introduced attempts to restore the dead to life were in vain. Therefore I did not continue these attempts. By doctor's examination the death must have taken place 30-60 minutes before the hanged was discovered.

A report hereabout I have made immediately to Capt. Lutz.

Signed: Dr. Wiemer
jail doctor.

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11 December 1945

Amtsgericht Jail
Bad Tölz

Report

On 10 December 45 at 0030 hours Dannecker was committed to the Amtsgericht jail by CIC.

CIC called my attention to the fact that this was a dangerous man, a high ranking SS and SD. I also was told that this man had writing to do all day. A room was to be put at his disposal, if it could not be locked a guard was to be placed there. I said I had an empty cell, would have it heated and would give Dannecker a typewriter and paper. CIC answered that this would be good. I took Dannecker to cell No. 7 which was occupied by 4 political prisoners. I had cell No. 6 heated, got a typewriter and paper. At 0830 hours I took Dannecker from cell No. 7 to cell No. 6. He worked there till 1130 hours, then was taken back to cell No. 7 by me for his dinner. At 1330 hours while I was in the jail hall upstairs, Dannecker knocked on the cell door calling to me and saying that he wanted to return to cell No. 6 to continue work. I took Dannecker back to cell No. 6 and locked it well. At about 1500 hours I made a round with the jail doctor Wiemer. I took the doctor from cell to cell and also reported this man to him. Coming to the cell I told the doctor that this was a dangerous SS and SD man. unlocked cell No. 6 and saw Dannecker hanging from the cell window with a rope around his neck.

Dr. Wiemer immediately cut the rope with my knife and we laid the dead man on the bed. Dr. Wiemer tried artificial respiration and then told me it was too late. I immediately reported the matter to Capt. Lutz who at the time was trying a case in court.

Capt. Lutz interrupted the trial and immediately went up to the cell with me to examine the dead man. Capt. Lutz conversed with Dr. Wiemer which further steps were to be taken.

signed: Schlamp
Jailer

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303d C I C Detachment 23 Nov 45

MM REQUEST APPREHENSION OF SUBJECT
REQUEST NOTIFICATION OF SUBJECT'S APPREHENSION

DAHECKER, THEODORE.

Bad Tols, Bavaria.

Male

German

SD Agent

Unknown

27 March 1913

Med.

5'11"

150#

Blue

Blond

Cellis, Hannover Province (British Zone)

Cellis, Hannover.

SD Agent, worked in Bulgaria, Italy, Hungary,
member SS (Allgemeine) Hauptsturmfuhrer.

Worked through Reichssicherheitshauptamt Berlin.

ANTHONY W. LOBB,
Major, Infantry
CO CIC Det 303.

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Lebenslauf.

Theodor D e n n e c k e r , geb. am 27.3.1913 in Tübingen/Württemberg als Sohn des 1918 verstorbenen Kaufmannes Carl D. und seiner im Jahre 1939 verstorbenen Ehefrau Louise geborene Rauhe.

März 1928: Mittlere Reife an der Realschule Tübingen bestanden.

März 1930: Abschlussprüfung der Oberstufe der Staatlichen Höheren Handelsschule in Reutlingen bestanden.

Anschliessend Lehrzeit in Stuttgart, Besuch eines Halbjahrlehrganges am Technikum für Textilindustrie in Reutlingen, Hilfe im elterlichen Herrenartikelgeschäft in Tübingen, ferner kurze

Zeit als Angestellter beim Finanzamt Stuttgart-Süd. Anschliessend durch freiwillige Meldung zur SS-Verfügungstruppe Ellwangen der Jagst am 2.5.1934 eingezogen. Im Juli 1934 mit 1.Kp.

SS-VT-Ellwangen nach Berlin-Cranienburg gekommen. Dort und zeitweise in Berlin im Wachdienst, seit etwa Februar 1935 als dienststuender Kompaniefeldwebel verwandt. Zum 31.5.1935 straf-

weise aus dieser Truppe entlassen. Im Monat Juni 1935 im SS-Hilfswerklager St-Georgen im Schwarzwald, von dort ohne Bewerbung zum damaligen SD-Oberschnitt Süd-West nach Stuttgart

als Hilfskraft (mein Dienstgrad war zu dieser Zeit der eines SS-Unterscharführers) eingezogen.

Am 15.3.37 als SS-Oberscharführer in das SD-Hauptamt nach Berlin versetzt. Tätigkeit: Mitarbeiter im sogen. "Judenreferat", d.h. wissenschaftliche Beobachtung, nicht-exekutive Behandlung der

Judenfrage in Deutschland.

Am 31.5.1939 erhielt ich einen "strengen Verweis" wegen eines Zusammenstosses mit einem in Zivil befindlichen Beamten der Ordnungspolizei. Halte diese Bestrafung heute noch nach wie vor für ungerecht.

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In den ersten Oktobertagen des Jahres 1939 wurde ich mit einem Kommando von etwa 12-15 SS-Angehörigen nach Nisko in Galizien geschickt um dort die Geschäftsführung der sogen. "Zentralstelle für jüd.Umsiedlung Nisko" zu übernehmen und - besser gesagt - zu beginnen.

Nisko war Bahnstation, während in unmittelbarer Nähe von Zaczecze am San ein unter dem Kommando des SS-Sturmbannführers Kriminalkommissar Fost^{er} sogen. Durchgangslager bestand. Dorthin genau gesagt bis vor das Lager wurden die am Bahnhof ankommenden Transporte aus Österreich bzw. der Tschechoslowakei durch die mir zugeteilten Posten geleitet und dann von dort durch die Lagerverwaltung übernommen. Insgesamt wurden meines Wissens rund

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4.500 Personen jüdischer Abstammung durch dieses Lager geschleust

Wenige Tage vor Weihnachten 1939 wurde die obengenannte Dienststelle in Nisko aufgelöst und ~~das~~ das Lager an den SS- u. Polizeiführer von Lublin übergeben.

Anschliessend war ich bis August 1940 im Reichssicherheits-
hauptamt (kurz RSiHA) innerhalb der Dienststelle des SS-Ober-
sturmbannführers Adolf Eichmann verwandt. Ich war sozusagen
Verbindungsmann zur Reichsvereinigung der Juden in Deutschland
- Dr. Epstein - und auch - z.B. was die Vorzensur von ins Aus-
land abzusendenden, mit der jüdischen Auswanderung zusammen-
hängenden Telegrammen/^{betrifft} der Dienststelle des Pfarrers Grüber in
Berlin. Auch die Durchsicht des "Jüdischen Nachrichten-
blattes" in der Druckfabrik oblag mir.

Anfang September 1940 wurde ich zum Befehlshaber der Sicher-
heitspolizei und des SD in Frankreich, Paris, Av. Foch, komman-
diert. Befehlshaber war der damalige SS-Sturmbannführer Dr.
Knochen, Vertreter SS-Sturmbannführer Lischke. Nachdem ich
bis Ende Oktober 1940(?) informatorisch dort tätig war und mich
in dieser Zeit lediglich mit der Erfassung jüdischer Matrikel-
bücher u.ä. befasst hatte, wurde ich anschliessend mit der
Führung des Sachgebietes "Judenfrage" vorstehend genannter
Dienststelle beauftragt.

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Hierbei hatte ich mit der Polizeipräfektur Paris, Direktor François, mit der sogen. "Police antijuive", Direktor Schwebelin sowie mit dem "Institut d'Etude des questions juives" in Paris, Leitung Capitaine a.D. Sézille, zu tun. Selbstverständlich, soweit meine Dienststelle bei der Herausgabe von Gesetzen gegen Juden seitens des Militärbefehlshabers in Frankreich beteiligt wurde, hatte ich auch Verbindung mit den Beamten dieser Dienststelle, z.B. dem Ministerialrat Dr. Stotz (oder Stortz) und dessen Mitarbeitern.

Auch mit der Deutschen Botschaft in Paris, Gesandtschaftsrat Achenbach und mitunter auch Botschafter Abetz hatte ich bisweilen zu tun.

Ich glaube es war dann in den ersten Monaten des Jahres 1942 als nach Abschluss der Verhandlungen zwischen meinem damaligen Chef, Dr. Knochen und dem französischen Innenminister Pierre Fucieu Juden ohne bzw. mit ehemals polnischer, tschechoslowakischer und österreichischer Staatsangehörigkeit mit Zügen nach Lager im Reichsgebiet verbracht wurden. Die französische Polizei bzw. Gendarmerie hatte damals Lager in Drancy, Pithiviers und Beaune la Rolande. Wieviele damals nach dem

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Reichsgeb. verbracht wurden, weiss nicht zu sagen. Hieraus
ber könnte die Pariser Polizei präfektur Auskunft mit genauen
Zahlenangaben ~~geben~~ geben.

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Few days before Xmas 1939 the above mentioned office at Nisko was dissolved and the camp was turned over to the SS and police chief of Lublin.

From that time on until August 1940 I was employed in the Reichssicherheitshauptamt (main office for Reich security, abbreviated RSiHA) within the office of the SS-Obersturmbannführer Adolf Eichmann. I was so to speak the liaison man to the Reich league of Jews in Germany - Dr. Epstein - and also - e.g. as to the first censorship of telegrams to be sent abroad with regard to Jewish emigration I was the liaison man to the office of parson Grüber at Berlin. I was also in charge of looking through the proof sheets of the "Jüdischen Nachrichtenblattes" (Jewish newspaper).

In the forepart of September ^{1940/} I was transferred to the commander of the security police and of the SD in France, Paris, Avenue Foch. The commander was the then SS-Sturmbannführer Dr. Knochen, his representative was SS-Sturmbannführer Lischka. After I had been active there as an informant until the end of October 1940 (?) and had only occupied myself with collecting Jewish registers and similar tasks, I was then ordered to head the section "Jewish question" of the above mentioned office.

While on this job I had to do with the police department of Paris, director François, with the so-called "Police anti juive" (anti-Jewish police), director Schweblin, as well as with the "Institut d'étude des questions juives" (Institute for the study of the Jewish questions) in Paris, director captain on half pay Sézille. Of course, as far as my office was ordered to take part in passing laws against Jews by the Military Governor of France, I also had connection with the officials of that office, e. g. with Dr. Stotz (or Stortz) and his collaborators.

Once in a while I also had to do with the German embassy in Paris, the embassy councillor Achenbach and sometimes also with ambassador Abetz.

I believe it was during the first months of the year 1942 when the negotiations between my then boss Dr. Knochen and the French minister of the interior Pierre Pucheu had come to a conclusion that Stateless Jews, respectively Jews of former Polish, Czechoslovakian and Austrian nationality were taken to camps in the Reich area by trains. The French police respectively gendarmery had at that time camps at Drancy, Pithiviers and Beaune la Rolande. I cannot tell how many were taken to the Reich area at that time. The Paris police department could give information with exact numbers.

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Dannecker Theo
last address Höfer Kreis "elle" Hof Singer
Box 27-3 1915 in Tübingen
Member NSDAP since 1932

Bad Tack

Chief
Certified
has held
person
once
Hotel
Adlon
February
1945

Member Allgemeine SS since 1932 highest rank Hauptsturmführer
Employed at SD worked under RSHA Berlin AMT IV
Served in Berlin Poland France Sofia Paris Italy Hungary
Worked as SD agent on Jewish questions under Obersturmführer
Bichmann Adolf Amt IV RSHA
in Dijon France CO Burgundia France SD CO 1940-1942
Sofia January-September assistant to Police attaché Sofia
then Italy CO SD Italy Gruppenführer Dr. Master Verona
Jews and sent them to Germany (Sofia 11000 Jews turned
over to Germany) Feb 1944 left Italy
Berlin Hungary Budapest Jewish question Hungary to be sold
by transportation to Germany left January 1945
then liaison officer between RSHA AMT IV Berlin and Gen
General of the Hungarian Gendarmerie also CO Hungarian police
in Germany
Changed from AMT IV to AMT I RSHA February 1945-Beginning
1945.
Beginning of April received orders SS Oberführer Ehrlich
AMT I to go to Stuttgart to keep up morale of German
and tell them to continue resistance when situation
bad in Stuttgart (nearing of Allied troops) volunteered for
Wendwolf movement in Black Forest, Tübingen, Freudenstein
St. Margen had twenty people under him.
was falsified German discharge papers and with them stay
St. Margen since he was told this was territory he was to

Alt Haushalte sollten zu einer hauswirtschaftlichen Gemeinschaft vereinigten Personen einschließlich der Schlafgäste
und der Untermieter ohne eigenen Haushalt.
Wenn mehrere Familien eine gemeinsame Wohnung, so gilt jede Familie als eigener Haushalt.
Committed suicide in jail. 10 December 1945

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(CLASS 2)
CAREER

Chief of G. Campo DIJON (Aug 42)
Possibly at SOFLA (Jan 43)
Sent to ROE by RSH to organise the deportation of Jews from
ITALY to GERMANY (Oct 43)
Probably in Lt. IVB RSH (Oct 43)
On NICHOLSON's (q.v) staff, with Lt. IV B. HUNGARY (1945)
Last known to be in BERLIN Dec 44.

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GERMANY

NAME DANEG, or DAUNECKER, or DANEG(G)E

STATUS Hstuf., Abwehr member

ADDRESS

DESCRIPTION

MISS.

CAREER

Member of Abt. IV B 4. Gestapo, Hungary, dealing with anti-Jewish matters. In Hungary on staff of Ostuf. Adolf EICHMANN (Leiter Abt IV B 4. RSHA

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NAME

Theo

CARD 1
STATUS

Rank: SS-Hstuf (Oct. 43)
Appt: With Lt. IV B, in HUNGARY (1945)

ADDRESS

DESCR

B.c. 1910. Tall, slim, brown hair, cleanshaven, has a marked nervous twitch all over his face, swivel head with jerk of chin to right and blinks eye simultaneously. Very egotistic. Native of TUEBINGEN

DISC

Said to be a sadist and torturer. Referred to as "the Jew Specialist"
Married in 1942

CAREER

Was at FRANKFURT a/c and used to go on missions to FRANCE (1944)
Went to PARIS to organize an intelligence service on behalf of the Stapo (Sept 34)
Reported to be Chief of anti-Jew service, PARIS (IV J) (1940-42 and again in Jun. 43)
In PRAGUE with HEIDLER and HENLEIN about ten days before HEYDRICH'S appointment to PRAGUE, and had conversations with leading members of Union Party (Sept 41).
(CONT ON CARD 2)

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NAME: DANNEKER Theo
ADDRESS: SS H/stuf. Referat I-Ordn.
CIPHER:
MISC.
CAREER

Working with anti-Jewish
officer EICHMANN (Lektor)

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Chief of Central
 office
 Hotel Astor
 1945

Danneker Theo
 Last address Hbf Kreis "alle Gutshof Singer
 Born 27-3 1913 in Tubingen
 Member NSDAP since 1932
 Member Allgemeine SS since 1932
 Employed at SD marked under PSHA Berlin AMT IV
 Served in Berlin Poland France Sofia Paris Italy Hungary
 Worked as SD agent on Jewish questions under Obersturmführer
 Eichmann Adolf Amt IV RSHA
 In Lyon France CO-Führer France SS 00-1940-1942
 Sofia January-September assistant to Police attaché Sofi
 Italy CO SD Italy Gruppenführer of Raster Verona
 over to Germany Feb 1944 left Italy
 Berlin Hungary Budapest Jewish question Hungary to be sent
 by transportation to Germany left January 1945
 then liaison officer between RSHA Amt IV Berlin
 General of the Hungarian Wehrmacht CO Hungarian pol
 in Germany
 Changed from AMT IV to AMT I RSHA February 1945 beginning
 1945.
 Beginning of April received orders SS Obersturmführer Ehrlich
 COMF AMT I to go to Stuttgart to keep up morale of German
 and will once to continue resistance when situation
 bud in Stuttgart bearing of Allied troops volunteered
 movement in dark forest, illness, circumstances
 bankt ergehen had twenty people under him.
 He fulfilled German discharge papers and with them
 SS Waffen since he was told this was forbidden.
 Als Mensch...
 Committed suicide in jail. 10 December 1945

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DOSSIER NUMBER

SUBJECT

88419
(CASE 2)
SUBJECT

DUNSMITH (or DUNSMITH(G)ER) (Gov) A. GARDNER
Chief of Custody Detail (Aug 42)
Possibly at SCPL (Jan 43)
Sent to RICE by RICE to organize the Department of Army Troop
ITALY, to GARDNER (Oct 43)
Probably in Lt. IVD RICE (Oct 43)
On MICHIGAN's (Gov) staff, with Lt. IV B. GARDNER (2545)
Last known to be in BERLIN Dec 45.

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SUBJECT

DUNSMITH (or DUNSMITH(G)ER) (Gov) A. GARDNER
Rank: SS-Major (Oct. 43)
Apr: With 1st ... (2545)

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| NAME | DUNSTON (or DUNSTON(C)?) (Oct 4) | GRANT | 10073 |
| DATE | 10/4/42 | | 10073 |
| ADDRESS | Rank: SS-1st Lt (Oct. 42) Dept: With Jbt. IV B, in BERLIN (1945) | | 10073 |
| PHYS | B. 1910. Tall, slim, brown hair, clean-shaven, has a marked 220 SKIN: eyes albinistic. Very athletic. Native of TUESDAY | | 10073 |
| HIST | Said to be a soldier and torturer. Referred to as "the Jew" Married in 1942 | | 10073 |
| CLASS | Was at BERLIN and used to go on missions to FRANCE (1942) Sent to FRANCE to organize an intelligence service on behalf of the Nazis (Sept 42) Reported to be Chief of anti-Jew services, PARIS (IV 5) (1942 and again in Jun. 43) In FRANCE with KILLER and MURKIN about ten days before REIDRICH'S appointment to FRANCE, and had conversations with leading members of Union Party (Sept 41). (CONT ON CLER 2) | | 10073 |

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OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR LAOCHANG 5512

12 Dec 1945

SUBJECT: Theodor DANNEBERG.
TO : Director, Office of Military Government for Laochang 5512,
Box 4-224, Co. E, Third Mil Cav Regt, APC 403 US Army.

1. Attached hereto are reports of jail doctor and jailer
in the death of above subject by hanging.

2. All reasonable precautions are taken to prevent suicides,
by any prisoner and with subject an additional precaution by removal
of all sharable articles in the cell where he was writing his life
history. The cord which subject used was about twenty-eight (28)
inches long and was used as a substitute for a chain to lower the
cell window in order to afford ventilation. Subject at night was
placed in another cell with other prisoners so as to prevent suicide.
This is done to all political prisoners as well as regular routine
inspections of all cells. The civilian policeman who is on duty
during the day was keeping order among the prisoners awaiting trial
at the court in a room adjacent to the jail at time subject took
his life.

3. It is the opinion of this office that there was no
negligence on part of the person in charge of the jail.

HAROLD T. LUTZ
Capt. U. S. A.
Military Government
Summary Court
Officer

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TRIED US ARMY AND EASTERN MILITARY DISTRICT
32nd Center Intelligence Corps Detachment
APO 407

13 December 1945

Memorandum For The Officer In Charge

SUBJECT: DANNEKER, Theodor.

1. Agents of this detachment apprehended Danneker, Theodor, in Bad Tolt at 2300 hours on 9 December 1945. At 1500 hours on 10 December 1945 subject was found to have hung himself in a cell at the Tolt jail at which place he was incarcerated, pending transfer to an internment camp. Statements by Captain Harold C. Lutz, Military Government officer in charge of the jail, Dr. [Name], jail doctor, and Herr Schlamp, jailer, accompany this report.

2. After apprehension Danneker was brought to the Bad Tolt CIC office and interrogated until approximately 0615 on 10 December 1945, after which he was taken to the local jail and turned over to Herr Schlamp, the jailer, with instructions that the man was dangerous and should be closely guarded.

William J. [Signature]
1st Lt. CIC

Inclusions:

- 1. Statement of Captain Lutz
- 2. Medical report
- 3. Jailor's report
- 4. Interrogation report
- 5. Incomplete autobiography of Danneker
- 6. Death letter of Danneker addressed to his wife
- 7. Preliminary interrogation report.

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FILE NO. 100-40

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: VON SCHWACH, Frau

1. In re SOI dated 11 October 1948 from APO 210 Detachment USA, SUBJECT has been interrogated on two occasions by agents of this office relative to FURERMAN, Adolf and JAARI, Gerd.

2. SUBJECT steadfastly denies any knowledge of either FURERMAN or JAARI, does not recall having met either, and claims never to have heard the names mentioned until interrogated by this agent.

3. SUBJECT states that during the proceedings against her husband at the International Military Tribunal at NUREMBERG she met one JAMPEISS, Frau in the mess hall on several occasions. Frau SCHWACH describes JAMPEISS as an elderly man of sixty, small sharp features and gray hair, a former professor in GERMAN universities, presently employed at the ITC as interpreter and translator. Only contacts claimed with JAMPEISS were casual during meal hours, and any conversations dealt only with topics of general interest.

4. Frau SCHWACH states that because of similar instances in past it is possible that person, JAARI, has confused her with Frau SCHWACH.

5. It is recommended that further investigation by this office be discontinued and that a further effort be made to secure additional information from JAARI at the NEW YORK address mentioned in basic communications.

6. For your information.

[Signature]
RICHARD J. BLOOM, JR.
Special Agent in Charge
AIC Field Office
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Special Agent in Charge
Commanding

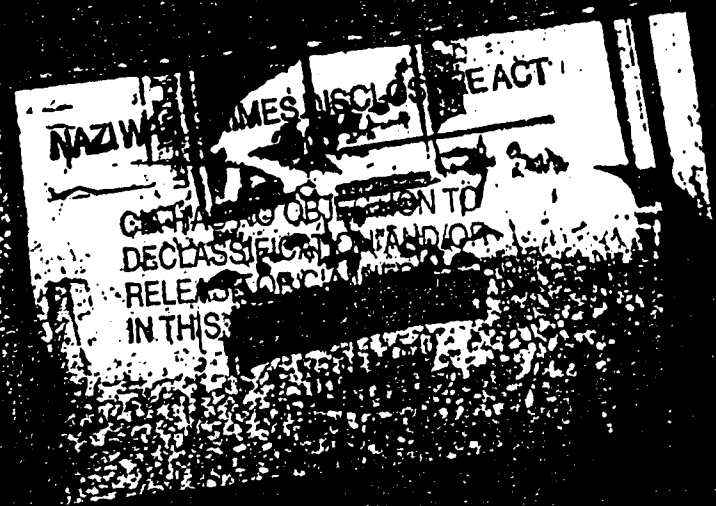
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THIRD US ARMY AND EASTERN MILITARY DISTRICT
303rd Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment
APO 403

13 December 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

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SUBJECT: Interrogation of Danneker, Theodor

Interrogation of DANNEKER, Theodor, on 9 December 1945, revealed that subject was born in Tubingen on 27/3/1913. His last address was Hofer Kreis, Zelle Gutshof Singer. He was a member of the NSDAP since 1932.

Subject served in the SS Verfügungstruppe Elwangen as SS man from 1934 until 1937 at which time he was transferred to the SD at Stuttgart for service as an informant. In 1939 he had the rank of Oberscharführer. In 1939 he was sent to Poland by the SD to organize the transfer of approximately 4,000 Austrian Jews to concentration camps located in the Galicia region. Around 25 December 1939 he was transferred to Berlin and assigned to RSHA Ampt IV.

Danneker worked in Berlin until 1940 when he was transferred to Paris, France, where he worked at the Gestapo headquarters on Foch Avenue and at SD headquarters as specialist in Jewish problems. He arranged for the transfer of French Jews to concentration camps. In Paris his immediate superior was SS Sturmführer Knochen.

Early in 1942 he was transferred to Dijon, where he was in charge of the Gestapo and SD in the Burgundia region. In January 1943 he was transferred to Sofia, Bulgaria, and appointed assistant to the German police attache, again in charge of the transport of Jews to the Reich. He estimates that he turned over 11,000 Jews. In September 1943 he was sent to Verona, Italy, where he worked under Gruppenführer Dr. Haster. He left Italy in February 1944 and returned to Berlin, from where he was sent to Budapest to supervise the transfer of Jews to Germany. In Budapest he was the liaison officer to the Hungarian police general.

He returned to Berlin in January 1945 and was transferred from AMPT IV to RSHA Ampt I. In April he received orders from SS Oberführer Ehrlinger to proceed to Stuttgart to bolster German morale and continue resistance. Upon approach of the allies he volunteered for the Wehrwolf movement and led approximately 20 volunteers in the Black Forest and Saint Mergen. He falsified German army discharge papers.

Subject admitted he had personal contact with Kaltenbrunner in Berlin in February 1945. He was also wanted by the Military Government court officer in Bad Tolz for questioning concerning the murder of one of his children, for which crime his wife is

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now under arrest in the Bad Tolz jail. Frau Danneker has admitted poisoning her two children in April 1945 upon receipt of a letter from her husband ordering such action. One child died, the other was saved by prompt action of civilians. The remaining child is now in a childrens boarding house in Bad Tolz.

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305rd Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment
APO 403

13 December 1945

Memorandum For The Officer In Charge

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William J. DeLore
WILLIAM J. DELORE
1st Lt. CIC

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LIFE HISTORY.

Theodor DANNECKER, born 27 March 1913 in Tübingen, Württemberg, son of the merchant Karl D, died 1918, mother Luise D. née Rauhe, died 1939.

March 1938: "Mittlere Reife Realschule Tübingen" (high school graduation)

March 1930: Passed the leaving examination at the State Commercial School Reutlingen.

From then on apprentice at Stuttgart, attended a half year term at the technical school for textile industry in Reutlingen, assisted in the parental dry goods store, also was employed at the treasury office for a short time. Then voluntary enlistment in the "SS Verfügungstruppe" Elwangen / Jagst and drafted for service on 2 May 1934. Transferred to Berlin Oranienburg with Company 1 SS VT. Elwangen in July 44. Guard duty there and part time guard duty in Berlin from about February 1935 on, assigned as company sergeant. On 31 May 35 dismissed from this unit as punishment.

In June 35 at the "SS Hilfswerklager St. Georgen, black forest" from there transferred as a helper to then SD Oberabschnitt south west - to Stuttgart without having made application.

At that time I held the rank of an SS-Unterscharführer.

On 15 March 1937 I was transferred to the SD main office at Berlin as SS-Oberscharführer. Activity: Collaborator in the so called "Office for Jewish questions", i.e. scientific observation, not executive treatment of the Jewish question in Germany.

On 31 May 39 I was sharply rebuked because of a clash with an official of the police that has to maintain law and order. That official was in civilian clothes. Now as before I think this punishment unjust.

In the first days of October of the year 1939 I was sent to Nisko in Galicia with a group of about 12 - 15 SS-members in order to take over there the business management of the so called "Central office for Jewish displacement Nisko" or rather to begin.

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Nisko was a railroad station, whereas in the immediate vicinity of Zarczece on the San there was a so-called passage camp under the command of the SS-Sturmbannführer criminal commissary Post. To that place, strictly speaking to the camp gates the transports from Austria respectively Czechoslovakia were led by the posts that I was in charge of and there they were taken over by the administrator of the camp. To my knowledge a total of 4500 persons of Jewish descent went through that camp.

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