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Descriptive Summary

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circa 1940

box

1 (folder)

Language

German .

Summary

A caricature of three men in military uniforms, presumably members of the Nazi Party, and two women making music around a piano with small dogs. The drawing was created by a person named Zora Simeunović.

Creator

Simeunović, Zora

Extent

.01 Linear Feet 1 item

Physical Location

R 72, C 3, S 1

Repository

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Administrative Information

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Historical Information

The Nazi Party was a German far-right political party that came to power in 1920, and held that power until 1945. Led by Adolf Hitler, the Nazi Party held National Socialist beliefs, and sought the extermination of anybody without "pure" German heritage. This belief led to the genocide of millions of Jews, as well as other marginalized groups, such as homosexual men and women, Romani people, and people of non-German nationalities. This genocide is known as the Holocaust, and is considered one of the greatest atrocities in human history.

Many European countries were occupied by the Axis powers during World War II, including Serbia, then a part of the former Yugoslavia. Serbia was occupied by Germany specifically from 1941 - 1944, which resulted in the murder of over 14,000 Jews.

Scope and Content

A caricature of three men in military uniforms, presumably members of the Nazi Party, and two women making music around a piano with small dogs. The seated man on the left holding a dog appears to be an emaciated Adolf Hitler, while the standing male figure, sweating profusely, sings in German. The first words of his song appear to be "Ach Gott, ich bin so wüd" which may be a misspelled lyrics translated to "Oh god, I am so dignified." The drawing was created by a person named Zora Simeunović. Simeunović is a Serbian surname.

Related Materials

Special Collections Research Center also holds other materials and rare books on the Nazi Party and World War II. It also holds the [Kukryniksy Russian caricature poster collection](#).

Keywords

Art

Nazis

World War, 1939-1945

World politics -- Caricatures and cartoons

Bibliography

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Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements

Created with ink on paper. The drawing is roughly 7.5" x 10".

Arrangement

This is a single item collection.