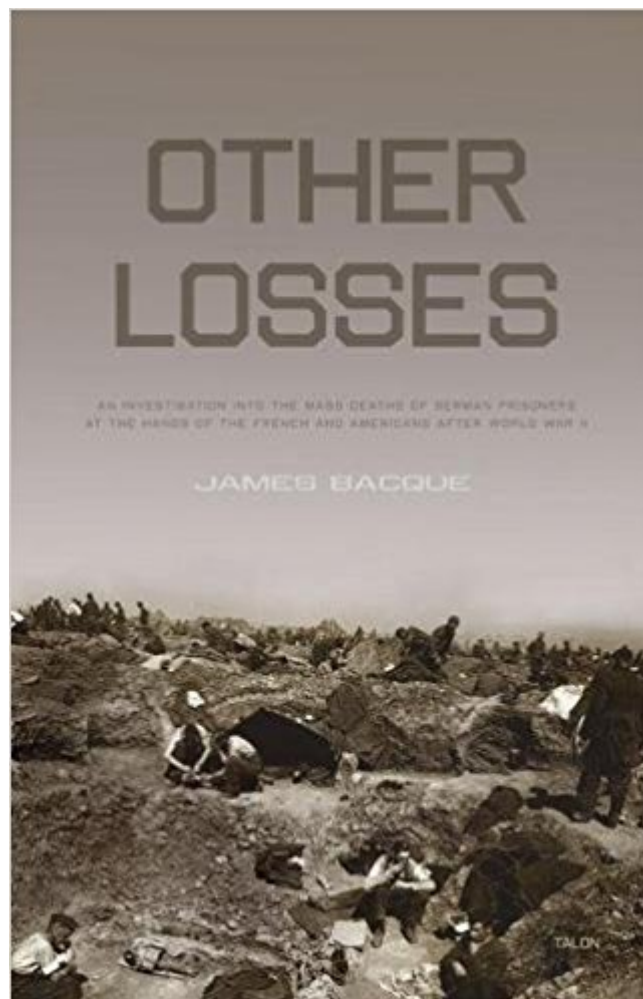




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# Other Losses: An Investigation Into The Mass Deaths Of German Prisoners At The Hands Of The French And Americans After World War II





## Synopsis

Other Losses caused an international scandal when first published in 1989 by revealing that Allied Supreme Commander Dwight Eisenhower's policies caused the death of some 1,000,000 German captives in American and French internment camps through disease, starvation and exposure from 1944 to 1949, as a direct result of the policies of the western Allies, who, with the Soviets, ruled as the Military Occupation Government over partitioned Germany from May 1945 until 1949. An attempted book-length disputation of Other Losses, was published in 1992, featuring essays by British, American and German revisionist historians (Eisenhower and the German POWs: Facts Against Falsehood, edited by Ambrose & Gaffney). However, that same year Bacque flew to Moscow to examine the newly-opened KGB archives, where he found meticulously and exhaustively documented new proof that almost one million German POWs had indeed died in those Western camps. One of the historians who supports Bacque's work is Colonel Ernest F. Fisher, 101st Airborne Division, who in 1945 took part in investigations into allegations of misconduct by U.S. troops in Germany and later became a senior historian with the United States Army. In the foreword to the book he states: "Starting in April 1945, the United States Army and the French Army casually annihilated about one million [German] men, most of them in American camps; Eisenhower's hatred, passed through the lens of a compliant military bureaucracy, produced the 'horror of death camps unequalled by anything in American military history'; How did this enormous war crime come to light? The first clues were uncovered in 1986 by the author James Bacque and his assistant." This updated third edition of Other Losses exists not to accuse, but to remind us that no country can claim an inherent innocence of or exemption from the cruelties of war.

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## Customer Reviews

James Bacque James Bacque is a novelist, book editor, essayist and historian whose work has helped raise awareness in human rights issues associated with war crimes, particularly spurring debate on and research into the treatment of German POWs at the end of World War II. His fiction titles include *The Lonely Ones*, 1969 (Big Lonely in the paperback edition, 1970); *A Man of Talent*, 1972; *Creation* (with Robert Kroetsch and Pierre Gravel), 1972; *The Queen Comes to Minnicog*, 1979; and *Our Fathers' War*, 2006. His history titles include *Crimes and Mercies*, an immediate bestseller upon release, and *Other Losses*.

Confronting and serious revelations about the post-war period.... And an example of what investigative research really means; enlightning, intense, paradoxical and disturbing revelations that hit the reader like fists demanding justice.

I have read the book three times (!), twice in English and once in German (Der geplante Tod). What James Baque revealed is very sad, not to say shocking. It is a pity, that the sites of the many Rheinwiesenlager have been levelled after the war. They should have been restored and showed to the public like the Concentration Camps in Austria, Germany and in the Eastern parts of Europe. To read the book is a must. Eva Maurer

I had read this historical account from Author Bacque back during the late 1990's, I certainly was familiar with much of this story, because I lived it during World War II, and especially remember the four years after the War, because I was only eleven years old at the end of this War, living in the City of Kassel, State of Hessen (Hessia), American Zone at that time. Yes, the food rations were ordered by the American Military Authorities as described by the Author. We all felt the hunger pains, crying ourselves to sleep with our tears running along our cheeks and cramps in the stomach. The biggest shame of all is, that even today these accounts are hushed up by our US Government and are not to be aired or recorded in Literature, schoolbooks, or any historical writings for the American public. It proves the point, that the American government has lied before this War ever started, during its duration, and, especially after this War had ended on May 08, 1945. The Jews keep it up talking about the terrible Germans, but Americans, the public that is, will never find

out about the US genocide of ,roundly speaking, fifteen to sixteen million German Citizens, or even the Jewish operated Concentration Camps in the Soviet Union during the years of late 1920's and all through the 1930's, when close to forty million people died in Russia. Anyway, keep it up in Washington, with all the lying and secret dealings even today, which will probably never end in years to come either, Media, Newspapers, Television as well as Hollywood and just about all American Publishers are still controlled by Jewish interest here, and abroad. No one ever talks about how Hitler was financed By interests from Wall-Street and the British Bourse to get him into power and the to control him, Just like they did with the Shah of Iran, whom they controlled for about forty years, till the Aiatola returned from exile in France and ousted him. Enough said. I could tell you things for the next week, or longer.

James Bacque does an excellent job of documenting his claim that the Allies, led by the United States of America, intentionally starved to death approximately one million German prisoners of war. Not only does Bacque quote from German survivors of the camps, but he quotes a large number of American guards and officers who witnessed the German POW deaths. These Americans include Martin Brech, Daniel McConnell, Major-General Richard Steinbach, Lieutenant Colonel Henry W. Allard, Colonel Philip Lauben, Colonels James B. Mason and Charles H. Beasley, Captain Ben H. Jackson, General Mark Clark, Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Pollack, Sergeant Merrill W. Campbell, Captain Frederick Siegfriedt, Lieutenant Arthur W. von Fange, and a couple of American officers who asked to remain anonymous for fear of reprisals. The Red Cross was prevented from providing food and shelter to the German POWs even though these were readily available. The German POWs were not provided tents or housing, and many died from exposure to the elements. Most of the German POWs were intentionally given inadequate food, and many died from slow starvation. Since Eisenhower and his associates at SHAEF controlled the media, pictures and stories from these camps were not allowed to reach the media. Eisenhower showed the piles of dead bodies at Buchenwald, Bergen-Belsen and other German camps at the end of the war, but the pictures of dead bodies at the American-run German POW camps were not allowed to reach the public. James Bacque ends his outstanding book with an appeal for tolerance and understanding. Bacque states: "Surely it is time for the guesswork and the lying to stop. Surely it is time to take seriously what the eye-witnesses on both sides are trying to tell us about our history. All over the Western world, savage atrocities against the Armenians, the Ukrainians and the Jews are known. Only the atrocities against the Germans are denied. Are Germans not people in our eyes?"

Speedy delivery and as described.

Another history of the Morgenthau Plan in action.

This book explains what happened to thousands of Europeans who simply disappeared. I had a Russian language teacher in college who's husband never came home from the war. She never found out what happened to him. Perhaps he was one of the "Other Losses".

Well researched and disturbing!

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