



# After The Holocaust

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## SUMMARY

The chapters in this volume examine a few facets in the drama of how the survivors of the Holocaust contended with life after the darkest night in Jewish history. They include the Earl Harrison mission and significant report, the effort to keep Europe's borders open to refugee infiltration, the murder of the first Jew in Germany after V-E Day and its impact, and the iconic sculptures of Nathan Rapoport and Poland's landscape of Holocaust memory up to the present day. Joining extensive archival research and a limpid prose, Professor Monty Noam Penkower again displays a definitive mastery of his craft.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Monty Noam Penkower**, professor emeritus of Jewish History at the Machon Lander Graduate School of Jewish Studies (Jerusalem), is the prize-winning author of many books on the Holocaust, on American Jewry, and on the rise of the State of Israel in the years 1933-1948.

## PRAISE

"These thoroughly-researched, detailed, meticulously presented essays shed stimulating new light on several hitherto-overlooked aspects of the complex processes of rebuilding the Jewish world following the Holocaust. They are an important addition to a growing literature on the subject."

— David Engel, Maurice Greenberg Professor of Holocaust Studies, New York University

"Monty Penkower's *After the Holocaust* is a very valuable addition to the historical accounts of the very tumultuous period which followed the end of World War II and the Nazis' efforts to totally annihilate the Jews of Europe, events which dramatically changed the course of Jewish history. His book presents a detailed chronicle of how those developments transpired, and identifies the key political figures whose decisions were crucial in the process. Unlike the other volumes which have focused on this period, however, Penkower continues his analysis and brings it up to date, providing a fascinating account of the phenomenon of Holocaust distortion, which has become a major problem in contemporary Holocaust commemoration, research and education. A must read!"

— Dr. Efraim Zuroff, Director, Simon Wiesenthal Center, Jerusalem

"Monty Penkower has done it yet again. In a new and fascinating book about Jews in Europe entitled *After the Holocaust*, he presents us with five expanded essays, each of which focuses on another aspect of post-war Jewish existence in the years immediately following that cataclysm. His artfully crafted volume is a very worthwhile read!"

— Judy Baumel-Schwartz, Director, Arnold and Leona Finkler Institute of Holocaust Research, Bar-Ilan University



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