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Remarkable Nonsense about the Holocaust

The Holocaust was everywhere

Scholar: Holocaust crimes in countryside, small towns, too

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Contrary to collective contemporary memory, the genocide of **the Holocaust was perpetrated as much in small towns and the countryside as in the sprawling, mechanized death camps of the Third Reich**, a Holocaust scholar said last night at the Kimmel Center.

[...]

Twenty-five percent, or about **1.4 million** of total number of Jews killed **were murdered outside of "bureaucratic processes,"** Engel said, while 57 percent of total murdered Jews perished in concentration camps. The rest died in local, small-scale murders in smaller countries like Croatia, Ukraine and Estonia, said Engel, a Hebrew and Judaic studies professor and author of "The Holocaust: The Third Reich and the Jews."

It happened outside of people's homes and police headquarters; even peasants joined the Nazis to destroy lives. This is a little-known fact today, even to Holocaust scholar Rolf Wolfswinkel, a historian and the organizer of the series.

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