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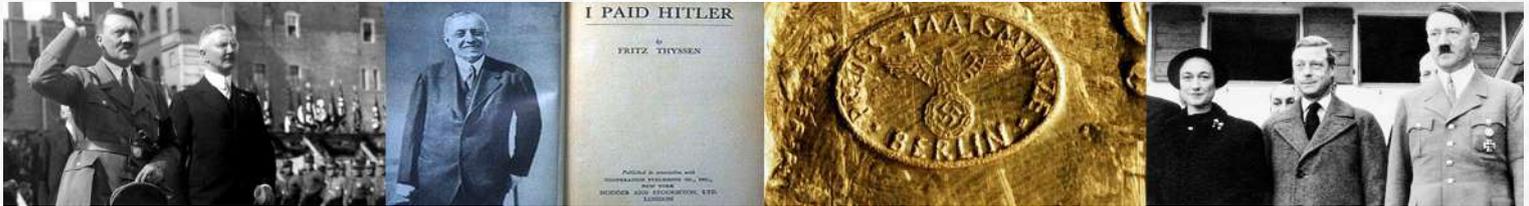
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HITLER'S
Money Trail
„the truth revealed“

4x48 min.
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MAIN CONCEPT: Where did Hitler get the funds to achieve power in 1933 Germany and finance his movement? Did these funds come only from prominent German bankers and industrialists or did they also come from foreign investors and upstanding corporations that exist today? What was their motivation? And were they aware of his plans and future atrocities?

SERIES DESCRIPTION: One can't fully understand or appreciate the cleverness and complexity involved with financing the rise of the Third Reich or the chilling connection between money, power, and terror in the twentieth century, until you uncover Hitler's Money trail. Based on recent investigations of forgotten and hidden documents and the discovery of secret bank funds in Switzerland, this series covers an often overlooked side of The Führer, often portrayed as the political and military leader, but rarely as the economist who managed to persuade and even intimidate investors, who bankrolled his rise within the Nazi party at first, the successful political campaigns that took him to power, and the subsequent remilitarization and expansion of the Third Reich. Referring to testimonials of well renowned specialists, revealing archives and dramatic reenactments, these 4 episodes unveil the complex financial network behind Hitler and the Nazi Party that spread well beyond German borders, comprised of well known financial, industrial and political figures, including Jewish investors. Were they aware of the imperialist ambitions, racial ideologies and the atrocities that were committed using their money? Discover the whole truth behind the story of the anonymous penniless Austrian immigrant that would turn a bankrupt country into a deadly threat to all of mankind.



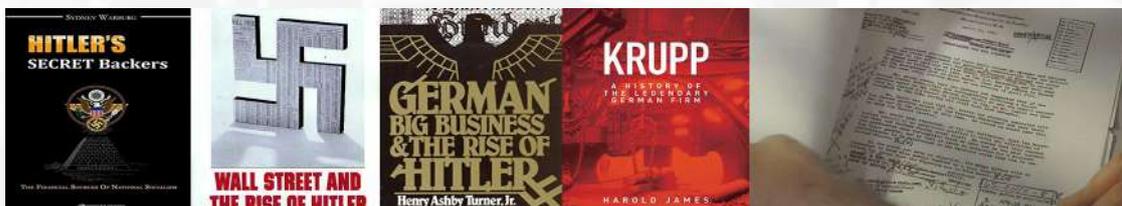
MAIN TOPICS

- The legal and illegal methods Hitler used to get the funds to achieve power in 1933.
- The German managers who helped and executed Hitler's financial plans.
- The multi billion dollar profits made by German bankers and industrialists with their public and secret deals with Hitler and his associates.
- How concentration camps became suppliers of slave labor and the profits made from the Holocaust, for German investors and investors from Allied countries.
- Famous Nazi supporters and sympathizers from Allied countries like Edward VIII, his partner Wallis Simpson, Henry Ford and John D. Rockefeller.
- Allied country industrialists and bankers that kept dealing with Nazi Germany, establishing factories and offices in the Third Reich, and financing scientific experiments used on the inhabitants of the death camps.

METHOD & SOURCES

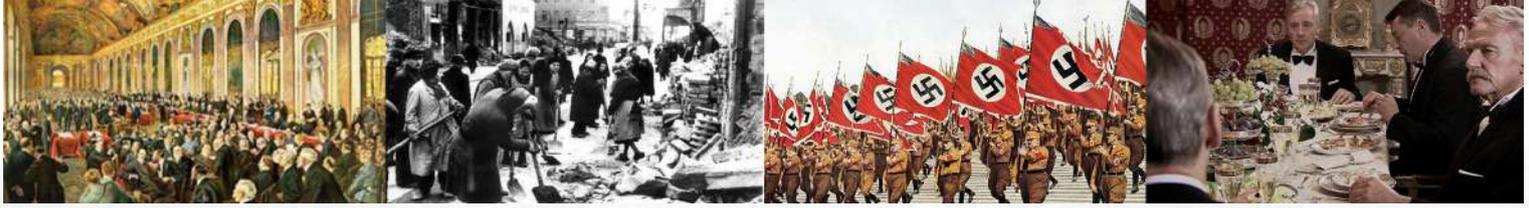
- Unique access to archive footage, dramatic recreation, exclusive interviews and graphics.
- Reenactments of individual stories bringing a fresh historical picture to life.
- Interviews with specialists, economists and experts.

Based on research of the experts: **Prof. Frank McDonough** (Liverpool University), **Prof. Thomas Weber** (Aberdeen University), **James Pool** (The Author of "Who financed Hitler")



EPISODE 1 - THE FIRST INVESTORS

Impoverished, humiliated and frustrated, Adolf Hitler personified the general state of mind and morale of the German people at the end of World War I. Taking matters in his own hands, he became the leader of a small underground movement that would turn into a major political force that would gain power and perform the economic miracle turning a bankrupt country into one of the most powerful nations in all of Europe. How did an undereducated army corporal do this? This episode reveals who supported the early Nazis, and various methods used like extortion, counterfeiting, scamming, plain robbery and even murder.



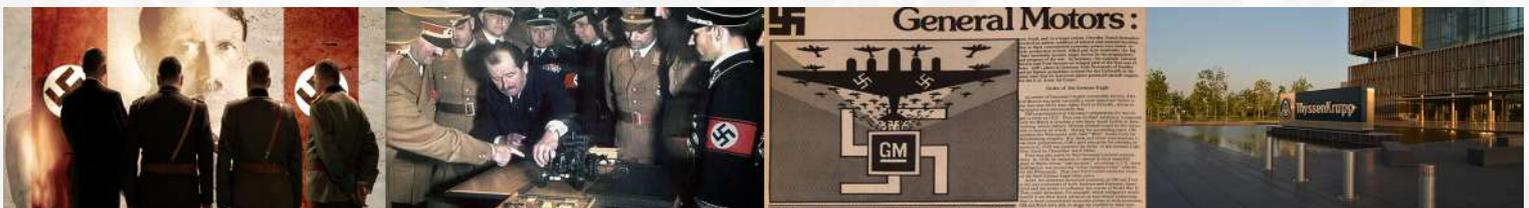
EPISODE 2 - REBIRTH FROM BANKRUPTCY

After achieving power in 1933, Hitler and the Nazis would fulfill their promises of restoring German national pride and return it to its former glory. What seemed to be an impossible task a few years before when the country was bankrupt and with its industry in ruins, became a reality in just a few years, receiving the international appraisal of some of the most important figures from the time, from Edward VIII to Henry Ford. This miracle was possible due to radical and risky measures that would prove revolutionary for their time, , Who were these investors? Were they aware of Hitler's expansionist ambitions? And if so, what made them continue bankrolling a regime that threatened world peace?



EPISODE 3 - THE BUSINESS OF WAR

The Second World War was motivated by expansionist ambitions and pure greed, from Hitler, various high ranked members of the Nazi party, but most surprising from Allied based entrepreneurs. This episode is dedicated to the opportunists who saw in war an opportunity to profit from the destruction and atrocities which took place during those years, revealing the names of well established companies, banks and institutions like JPMorgan or Deutsche Bank to name a few. Who kept dealing with the Third Reich even when their imperialist and racist agenda were well known. What kind of business was being made within and with Nazi Germany and what were the profits at the cost of the lives of over 50 million people?



EPISODE 4 - THE PLUNDER

Not all of the Nazi party funding, and German economic recovery was done by private investment. Much of it came from the plunder carried out first in Germany alone, where the private property of political adversaries as well as Jewish citizens were confiscated. In this episode, we assess how much was plundered during the Nazi reign: who were the original owners? How much was recovered and what new treasures and gold have been unearthed since the war ended?





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