

INITIAL ENCOUNTERS

Inmates waving a homemade American flag greet 7th Army troops upon their arrival at the Allach concentration camp, a subcamp of Dachau.

Allach, Germany, April 30, 1945 National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, Maryland







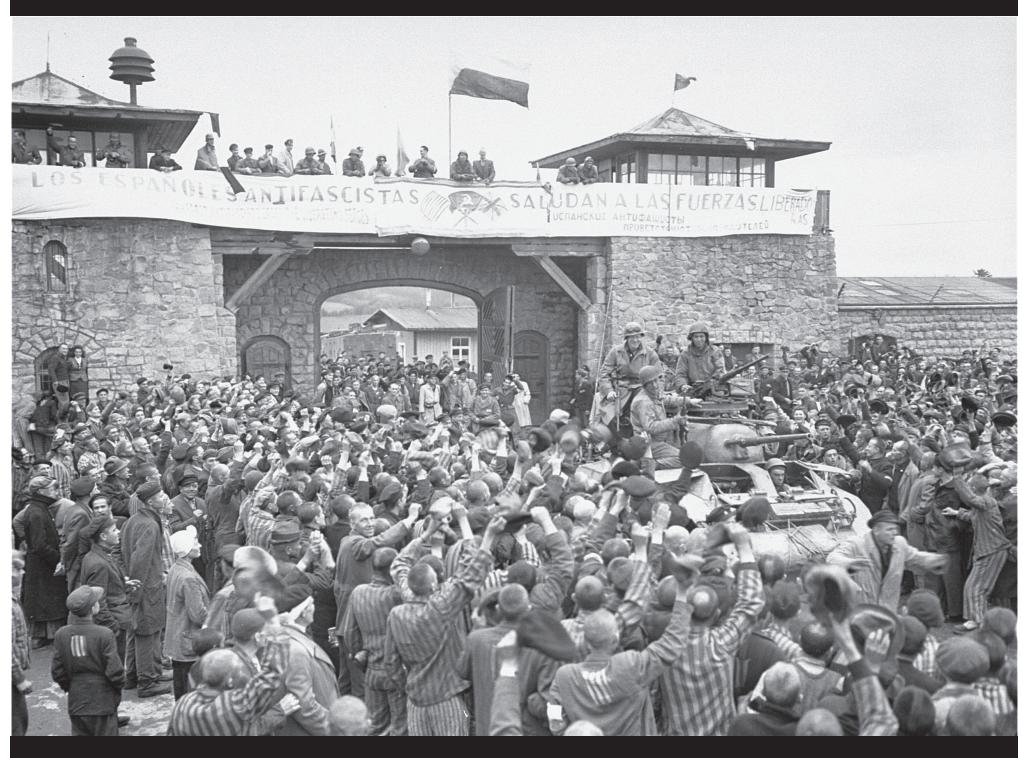
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Women and children in the Mauthausen concentration camp speak through the barbed wire to an American soldier.

Mauthausen, Austria, May 1945 US Holocaust Memorial Museum, courtesy of Pauline M. Bower







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Survivors of the Mauthausen concentration camp cheer the soldiers of the 11th Armored Division of the 3rd Army one day after liberation.

Mauthausen, Austria, May 8, 1945 National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, Maryland







REALITIES

A survivor shows American troops of the 46th Armored Division, 9th Army, the watchtowers and the electrically charged barbed wire fence in the Buchenwald concentration camp.

Buchenwald, Germany, May 27, 1945
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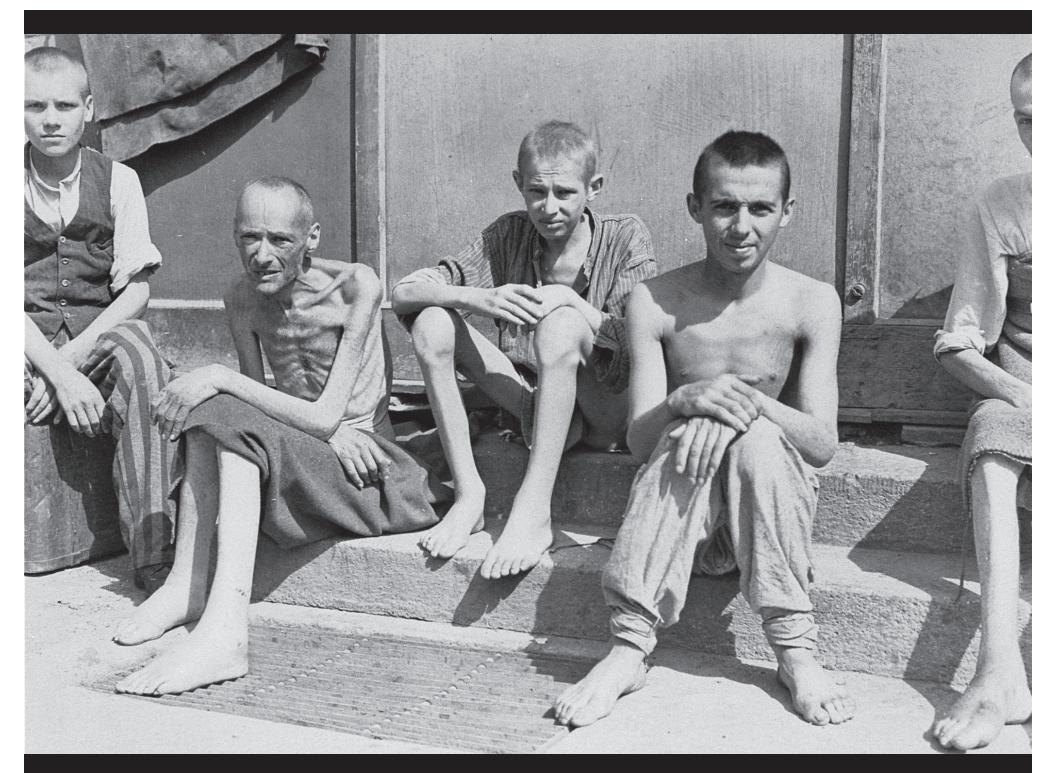
REALITIES

General Dwight D. Eisenhower and other high-ranking US Army officers view the bodies of prisoners killed by the German camp authorities during the evacuation of the Ohrdruf concentration camp.

Ohrdruf, Germany, April 12, 1945 National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, Maryland







REALITIES

A group of survivors sits outside a barracks in the newly liberated Dachau concentration camp.

Dachau, Germany, May 1945 US Holocaust Memorial Museum, courtesy of Kathleen Quinn







HELPING AND HEALING

American medical personnel evacuate survivors from Langenstein, a subcamp of Buchenwald, to a hospital for treatment.

Langenstein, Germany, April 1945 US Holocaust Memorial Museum, courtesy of Dr. Bernard Metrick







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Recently liberated survivors in the Woebbelin concentration camp support and help each other.

Woebbelin, Germany, May 4, 1945 US Holocaust Memorial Museum







HELPING AND HEALING

US Army medical personnel with the 10th Armored Division distribute food to two survivors liberated from a concentration camp.

Germany, April 1945 US Holocaust Memorial Museum, courtesy of Norman M. Faye







HELPING AND HEALING

American chaplain Rabbi Herschel Schacter conducts a religious service for Jewish survivors of the Buchenwald concentration camp shortly after liberation.

Buchenwald, Germany, May 18, 1945 National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, Maryland



