Adolf Hitlers Doctors

At the turn of the half century, Adolf Hitler was the Satan, the exterminating angel both feared and hated. His political power and strategic ambitions created a historical span of a turbulent and a tormented century. He became a man defined by what made him inhuman. His criminal breadth undeniably attained a quasi-ontological dimension. In the German society and all around the world, Hitler arose so much love and hate that a historical and psychological research of his life still baffles many to this day. A man of enigmatic personality, he used his nefarious forces and his disastrous project and ambitions for annihilation of humanity. Hitler believed that he was destined to rule the world and nothing could stand in his way. His unhappy childhood, a frustrated adolescence and his wounds in World War I were pedestals that his hatred lay on.

Hitler was an angel of death who feared death, he was a hypochondriac who could not afford to travel without his medicine. He believed that he was incapable of surviving without pills, without injections and battalions of doctors attending to him. How somebody who relished being the giver of death in the most torturous way possible could himself be afraid of death is completely strange. Hitler nursed an eternal hatred for the Jews for no apparent reason, a precedent to the holocaust: a brutal, bureaucratic, systematic state sponsored murder and persecution of six million Jews. He believed that the Jews were an inferior alien threatening the existence of the superior German racial community. Doctors, scientists and physicians were involved in the vile and sometimes potentially lethal experiments using living human subjects in concentration camps.

He had a curious relationship with his personal physician; Theodor Morell, a strange shadowy figure in Hitler's medical battalion. The effect of such doctors in moulding the tide of history is a reality. Doctors are indispensable, the sicknesses and physical decline of their superiors has always shaped great events in history. These doctors maintained a chronicle of Hitlers health. The effect of Theo's prescriptions were a great course of concern but Hitler brushed these concerns aside despite his deteriorating health most possibly caused by Theo's drugs.

A German surgeon; Ferdinand Sauerbruch once asserted that Hitler was a border case between a genius and an insane person, he predicted that should his mind swing towards insanity he would be the craziest criminal that ever set foot in this world. He noted that the dismissal of moderate members of his government marked the first symptom of this swing. The events that progressed therefore were a transgression of his mind deep into insanity. Treating Hitler after an attempted assassination, Dr. Erwing remarked that Hitler had a psychopathic constitution, that he had an associated conviction that he was and always knew better, this led to the marked development of neuropathic disorder. After the dismissal of Theo Morell, Dr. Werner Haase and Henze Linge took over but they mainly administered prepared medicine left by Theo. These chronicles of Hitlers doctors are a fundamental decisive chapter in the history of the Reich.

Works Cited

Adolf Hitler's medical health - Doctors and drugs


Leonard L. Heston and Renate Heston. The Medical Casebook of Adolf Hitler: His Illnesses.


Robert Jay Lifton. The Nazi Doctors