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WARTIME stories of <u>Otley</u> people are re-told in a book which looks at the town during the 1939-1945 global conflict.

https://www.thetelegraphandargus.co.uk/news/18831310.otleys-wartime-stories/

To mark the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe and Victory in Japan Day, the book has been written **by Dr Jason Knowles** and published by Otley Town Council. It features a wide selection of photographs and is a story of individuals, families and people living in the town in wartime. Some of our WGC members were involved in the research including 3 prisoners of war who remained in the area.

Copies (£13)can be ordered by e-mailing <u>admin@otleytowncouncil.gov.uk</u> or phone 01943 466335



' **The House by the Lake** is a ground breaking work of history, revealing the story of Germany through the inhabitants of one small wooden building: a nobleman farmer, a prosperous Jewish family, a renowned Nazi composer, a widow and her children, a Stazi informant. Moving from the 19th century to the present day, from the devastation of two world wars to the dividing and reuniting of a nation, it is a story of domestic joy and contentment, of terrible grief and tragedy and of hatred handed down through the generations.'

It is a true story and Thomas Harding, the grand son of one of the early Jewish owners (who left and came to England) has now saved it from dereliction and is starting to do it up. I think it has its own website.

https://video.search.yahoo.com/search/video?fr=mcafee&p=The+House+by+the+Lake+by +Thomas+Harding#id=4&vid=46f26d36e83d3acdab7658921544e0c0&action=click

https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2015/sep/19/saving-house-lost-to-nazis-berlinwall

https://www.theguardian.com/books/2016/jan/16/house-by-the-lake-thomas-hardingreview-german-history



Radio 4's "In Our Time" with Melvin Bragg had a most interesting episode on German artist Albrecht Dürer of Nuremberg (1471 – 1528).

You will need to register to Iplayer to listen to the programme. <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000p8cb</u>

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A fascinating series of 3 programmes "Berlin 1945" played on BBC4 which should therefore be on IPlayer for a month or so. It is a journey back in time to Berlin's most fateful year – 1945 – through the eyes and voices of those who experienced it – ordinary German people and the Allies who entered the city. Despite the devastation, several famous Berlin landmarks can be seen. <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/m000p9tc/berlin-1945</u>

Episode 1: At the beginning of 1945, Berlin remains under the spell of the Nazi promise of salvation.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000p9t9/berlin-1945-series-1-episode-1



Episode 2: The battle of Berlin has begun and defeat for Germany draws closer.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000p9tg/berlin-1945-series-1-episode-2

Episode 3: The British, French and Americans wait to enter Berlin.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000p9tw/berlin-1945-series-1-episode-3