

Christoph Probst and Alexander Schmorell of the Student Resistance Group “White Rose” (1941)

Abstract

The Munich-based "White Rose" has gone down in history as one of the best-known Nazi resistance groups. In 1942 and 1943, group members distributed a series of broadsheets publicizing the crimes of the Nazi regime. In doing so, they hoped to move the German people to active resistance by appealing to their sense of moral duty. Medical students Christoph Probst (born 1919, at left) and Alexander Schmorell (born 1917, at right), shown here in a light moment, belonged to the group, as did the siblings Hans and Sophie Scholl, student Willi Graf, and Professor Kurt Huber. Probst was arrested along with the Scholls on February 18, 1943. All three were sentenced to death on February 22, 1943, and guillotined the same day. Probst left behind a wife and three children. Schmorell was arrested on February 24, 1942, and sentenced to death on April 19, 1943. Both he and Huber were executed on July 13 of the same year. Graf was executed on October 12, 1943.

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