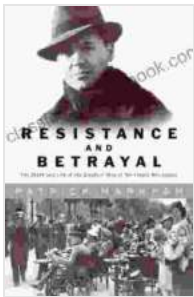


The Death and Life of the Greatest Hero of the French Resistance

Jean Moulin was a French army officer who became a leader of the French Resistance during World War II. He was captured and tortured by the Gestapo and died in 1943. Moulin was a brilliant military strategist and a charismatic leader, and he played a key role in uniting the French Resistance and bringing it into the Allied fold.



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Early life and career

Moulin was born in 1899 in Béziers, France. He was the son of a wealthy wine merchant and a devout Catholic. Moulin was educated at the prestigious École Polytechnique in Paris, and he graduated with a degree in engineering. After graduation, Moulin joined the French army and served in Morocco and Syria.

In 1939, World War II broke out, and Moulin was called back to active duty. He served with distinction in the Battle of France, but he was captured by the Germans in 1940. Moulin was imprisoned in a POW camp, but he managed to escape in 1941.

The French Resistance

After escaping from prison, Moulin made his way to London, where he joined the Free French Forces. He was appointed head of the Bureau Central de Renseignements et d'Action (BCRA), the intelligence and operations arm of the Free French Forces. Moulin's mission was to organize and coordinate the French Resistance movement.

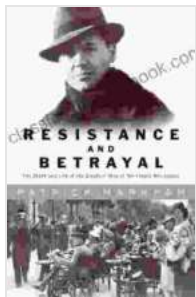
Moulin returned to France in 1942 and began to unite the various Resistance groups. He was successful in creating a unified command structure and in developing a plan for armed resistance against the Germans. Moulin's efforts were instrumental in the success of the Allied landings in Normandy in 1944.

Capture and death

In 1943, Moulin was captured by the Gestapo. He was tortured for weeks, but he refused to betray his comrades. Moulin died in a Gestapo prison in Lyon on July 8, 1943.

Legacy

Jean Moulin is considered one of the greatest heroes of the French Resistance. He was a brilliant military strategist and a charismatic leader, and he played a key role in uniting the French Resistance and bringing it into the Allied fold. Moulin's legacy continues to inspire people around the world.



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