

Desecration of Jewish Holy Scripture Tanakh Scroll Used as a Parcel Wrapper

Besides waging war, German soldiers pillaged Jewish synagogues in the East. Obergefreiter [corporal] Paul Ehrenfreund used a cutout piece of a sacred hand-inscribed Hebrew Bible scroll to wrap a parcel he sent home to Vienna from southern Russia in 1942. Field Post Number 33.404 was the address of Bau (Construction) Battalion 219 attached to Army Group B. This segment of the scroll from the Book of the Prophet Shmuel A (Book of I Samuel) tells the story of David and Goliath.

Field post parcel rated postage due, 9.30 reichsmarks collected on delivery.

Handwritten Hebrew text from the Book of I Samuel, likely the story of David and Goliath, written in a traditional square script.

Abs. Obergefr. Paul Ehrenfreund, F.P. Nr. 33.404.

Frau

Dorli Ehrenfreund,



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