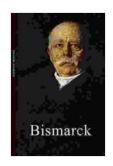
### Otto Rahn: The Nazi Occultist in Search of the Grail and the Black Sun

Otto Rahn (1904-1939) was a German philologist, writer, and occultist who became a prominent figure in the Nazi SS. He was obsessed with the Grail, the Cathars, and the Black Sun, and he believed that these elements held the key to the revival of Germany.



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### **Early Life and Education**

Otto Rahn was born on February 18, 1904, in Michelstadt, Germany. His father was a Protestant pastor, and his mother was a devout Catholic. Rahn was raised in a strict religious environment, but he rebelled against his parents' beliefs at an early age. He became interested in occultism and mysticism, and he began to read widely about these subjects.

In 1922, Rahn enrolled at the University of Heidelberg to study German philology. He quickly became one of the top students in his class, and he was awarded a scholarship to study at the University of Paris. In Paris,

Rahn met a number of influential occultists, including René Guénon and Julius Evola. These men had a profound influence on Rahn, and they helped to shape his own occult beliefs.

#### Nazi Occultism

In 1932, Rahn joined the Nazi Party. He was attracted to the Nazi's emphasis on German nationalism and their belief in the superiority of the Aryan race. Rahn also believed that the Nazis were sympathetic to his own occult interests.

In 1933, Rahn was appointed to the newly created Ahnenerbe, a Nazi research institute that was dedicated to the study of German history and culture. At the Ahnenerbe, Rahn was given the task of investigating the Grail and the Cathars.

#### The Grail and the Cathars

The Grail is a legendary cup that is said to have been used by Jesus Christ at the Last Supper. The Cathars were a Christian sect that flourished in the 12th and 13th centuries. They believed that the Grail was a symbol of the divine feminine, and they practiced a form of Christianity that was heavily influenced by Gnosticism.

Rahn believed that the Grail and the Cathars held the key to the revival of Germany. He argued that the Grail was a symbol of the German spirit, and that the Cathars were the true heirs of the German tradition.

#### The Black Sun

In addition to his interest in the Grail and the Cathars, Rahn was also fascinated by the Black Sun. The Black Sun is a symbol that was used by

the Nazis to represent the Aryan race. Rahn believed that the Black Sun

was a powerful magical symbol, and he used it in his own occult rituals.

The Quest for the Grail

In 1935, Rahn was sent on a quest to find the Holy Grail. He traveled to

France, Spain, and Italy, searching for evidence of the Grail's existence.

Rahn believed that the Grail was hidden in the Cathar fortress of

Montsegur, and he spent several weeks excavating the site.

However, Rahn's quest for the Grail was unsuccessful. He never found any

evidence of the cup's existence, and he eventually gave up his search.

**Death and Legacy** 

In 1939, Rahn was killed in a car accident. He was only 35 years old.

Rahn's death was a major blow to the Nazi occult movement, and it marked

the end of his quest for the Grail.

However, Rahn's legacy continues to live on. His writings on the Grail and

the Cathars have inspired many other occultists, and his search for the

Black Sun remains a popular topic of speculation.

Otto Rahn was a complex and fascinating figure. He was a brilliant scholar,

a devoted occultist, and a true believer in the Nazi ideology. Rahn's quest

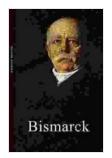
for the Grail and the Black Sun was a testament to his belief in the power of

myth and magic.

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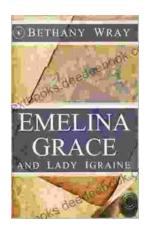
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