



Installation at the location



Johannes Grube and his family lived at Neuer Faulenhoop 22.



The house at Neuer Faulenhoop 22 in Lübeck-Karlshof; photograph: Heidemarie Kugler-Weimann, 2008



Inscription of the installation:

HIER WOHNTE
JOHANNES GRUBE
 JG. 1888
 VERHAFTET 1935
 SACHSENHAUSEN
 Ermordet 21.1.1941

installation
 12 April 2008

Johannes Hans Peter Grube was born on 14 September 1888 at Samkow Goldensee (Schönberg District, State of Mecklenburg). On 1 February 1907 he was first registered in Lübeck, coming from Schlutup, which only became part of Lübeck in 1913. Until 1926 he and his wife Mathilde Henriette Anna, née Müller, moved several times with their children. Then they built a house in the urban settlement of Karlshof at Neuer Faulenhoop 22 and established their home there. The large garden offered enough space to grow fruit and vegetables, and maybe even large enough to also raise rabbits and chickens.

Johannes Grube worked as a scissors sharpener and as a cartwright. He was a member of the German Communist Party and was immediately arrested in 1933. After his release there were further searches of his house. In the quiet settlement you could clearly hear, when at dawn a car came and stopped in front of one of the neighbouring houses is how a neighbour's son recalls as to what happened back then.

In 1935 Johannes Grube was arrested again and charged with planning to commit high treason (§ 80 Abs.2, 83 Abs.2+3, Ziffer 1+3 StGB) (German for Paragraph 80, section 2, paragraph 83 sections 2 and 3, sub-sections 1 and 3 of the penal code). On 9 September 1936 the Hanseatische Oberlandesgericht (Higher Regional Court) sentenced him to five years in jail and five years loss of his rights and privileges as a citizen less ten months for time served in detention while awaiting trial.

Upon the completion of his prison term on 9 November 1940 he was transferred to the Polizeigefängnis Fuhlsbüttel/Hamburg (a detention centre) and on 30 November 1940 to Konzentrationslager (Concentration Camp) Sachsenhausen north of Berlin being taken into "preventive detention". As prisoner No. 034385 Johannes Grube's cell was in prisoner block 04.

Under hitherto unknown circumstances he lost his life at Konzentrationslager Sachsenhausen on 21 January 1941.

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