

# Jean-Lucien HOLLENFELTZ

(1898 – 1944)

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*The son of the lawyer Albert Hollenfeltz and grandson of Emile Tandel (commissioner of the Arlon and Virton districts), Jean-Lucien was born in Arlon on 25 August 1898. After studying medicine, specialising in gastroenterology, he settled in his home town. In 1924, he opened a general medicine practice, and was happy to treat the poor free of charge. The people of Arlon called him "the good doctor". He also carried out laboratory research. A great scholar, he became a member of numerous cultural, scientific and historical societies, as well as charitable organisations.*

*In 1940, he became chief physician at hospitals for the wounded and prisoners of war. He was already well known as the provincial president of the Red Cross, a title he retained throughout the war. In a show of defiance, he kept his khaki uniform and military kepi, as a way of asserting to the occupying forces that Belgium still existed. His ability to travel around the province on behalf of the Red Cross aroused the Gestapo's suspicions. Suspected of being a go-between for the resistance movements, he was assassinated on 25 August 1944 in the square that now bears his name.*



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