

The Art of Destruction - pictures from Kosova

In Kosovo on an assessment survey for AMURT, Ac. Nirainjan Brc. took these photographs for his report. Through the lamentable resignation he managed to capture the undying dignity and hope of the Kosovars.

The photos are un-cropped and the captions are from his original notes.



Formerly a popular meeting point,
this cafe in the main square in Gjakova
offers a bizarre sight.



This man in Prizren is listening to accounts of atrocities that his neighbors had to undergo.



Two widows standing on the site
where their husbands were killed.
Blood stains still marks the spot.



This almost surrealistic picture shows the ghost
town of Celine where all buildings including
the school-building have been devastated.



Girls sitting down for a chat under a
carbonized transformer. No need to be afraid of
the cables. the electric system doesn't function.



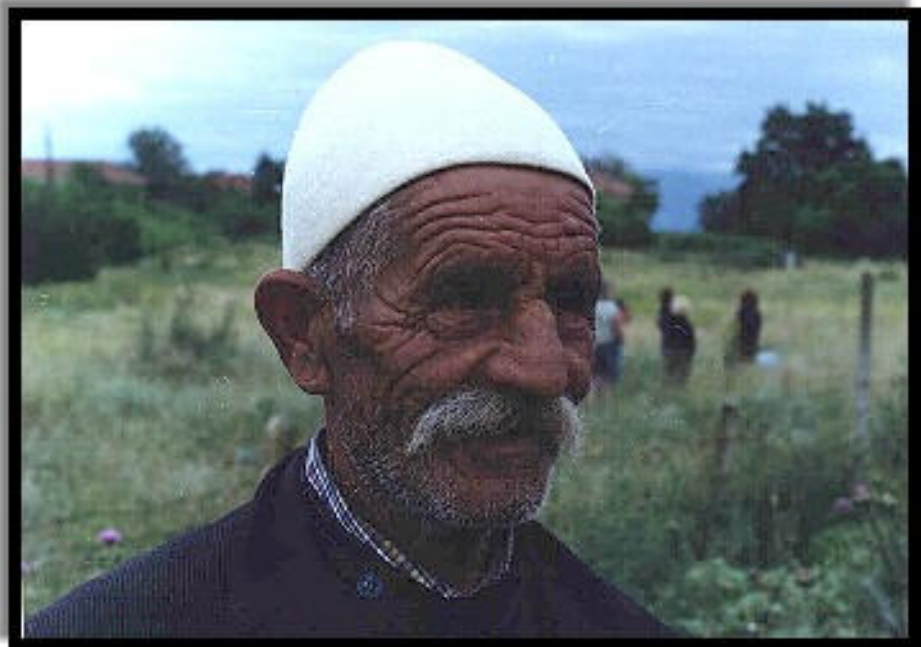
Large part of the town center of Peja (Pec) were burnt to the ground. The Bazaar street literally disappeared. The mosque suffered severe damages.



UNESCO has declared this main area of Gjakova an important historical site. It is hoped that the original architectural beauty can be restored.



Newcomers freshly arriving in town. Happy, tired, shocked. Will their house still be standing?



In Xerxe a mass grave with 15 bodies is being unearthed. The old man comments on the excavations going on in the background.



Children having fun amidst the rubble.

The photographer, Ac. Nirainjan Brc., who headed AMURT's Kosovo reconstruction effort.

To learn more about that work visit <http://www.amurt.net/kosovo>



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TEAM UPDATE

AMURT starts construction of new school in Smolice, Kosovo

AMURT organized the systematic de-mining of the Smolice school ground with the help of the Halo Trust and started the construction of a new school building in May 2000.



The Smolice school was completely destroyed in the war

The village's primary school was completely destroyed during the war. The remains of the old building (pictured above) was removed and with funding from the German Technical Corporation (GTZ), AMURT is building a brand new school. After the summer the children will finally be able to attend school in their own village again.



Some of the future students visiting the construction site

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