**Descriptive summary**

**Title:** Waclaw Glouszek papers

**Dates:** approximately 1942-1968

**Accession number:** 1998.116.15

**Creator:** Glouszek, Waclaw, 1909-1996

**Extent:** 0.5 linear foot (8 folders)

**Repository:** United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW, Washington, DC 20024-2126

**Abstract:** The Waclaw Glouszek papers consist of sheet music from Dora-Mittelbau, lyrics to patriotic and religious Polish songs, two diaries describing Glouszek’s camp, transport, and liberation experiences and including partial lists of fellow prisoners, a 1968 letter describing Glouszek’s efforts to save weak and emaciated Jewish prisoners from selection for the gas chambers at Auschwitz-Birkenau, Glouszek’s identification photograph from Auschwitz, four copy prints of Bergen-Belsen after liberation, and one copy print of General Eisenhower visiting Ohrdruf after liberation.

**Languages:** Polish

**Administrative Information**

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Acquisition information: Iwona Bonacia donated her father’s papers, the Waclaw Glouszek papers, to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in 1998.

Related materials: Iwona Bonacia also donated three pieces of scrip from Dora-Mittelbau to the Museum.

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Processing history: Julie Schweitzer, December 2013

Biographical note
Waclaw Glouszek (1909-1996) was born in Kowel, Poland (Kovel, Ukraine) to Wilhelm and Katarzyna Glouszek. He was educated in Vilnius and arrested by the Gestapo in Krakow as a non-Jewish political prisoner in 1942. He was sent to Monowitz (Auschwitz III), where he played in the camp orchestra, then transferred to Dora-Mittelbau in January 1945, and liberated at Bergen-Belsen. After the war he settled in Walbrzych and became a high school director.

Scope and content of collection
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System of arrangement
The Waclaw Glouszek papers are arranged as three series:
- Series 1: Camp items, approximately 1942-1945
- Series 2: Personal narratives, approximately 1945-1968
- Series 3: Photographs, approximately 1942-1945

Indexing terms
Dora (Concentration camp)
Monowitz (Concentration camp)
Bergen-Belsen (Concentration camp)

Polish people--Ukraine--Kovel’.
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Photographs.

**CONTAINER LIST**

**Series 1: Camp items, approximately 1942-1945**

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