

Oberpräsident der Provinz Oberschlesien, Kattowitz (Fond 1232)
Head of the province of Upper Silesia, Katowice
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Descriptive summary

Title: Oberpräsident der Provinz Oberschlesien, Kattowitz (Fond 1232)
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Dates: 1940-1945

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Creator: Oberpräsident Kattowitz

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269 digital images

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Languages: German

Scope and content of collection

This collection contains mainly files on the granting of German citizenship to ethnic Germans, especially in military service, by the committees for the implementation of the German People's List in Katowice (Kattowitz) and Opole (Oppeln) and church matters in general, ecclesiastical assets (cemeteries, buildings, taxes and collections), as well as the confiscation of monasteries, Catholic clergy (including accusations, exemption from military service), parish registers, Kindergartens, pastoral care in resettles. Also includes files on the labor input of prisoners of war, foreign workers and resettles, UK positions, fire police, household and salaries (including the police 1939-1942), thereby funds for Nazi -Propaganda, for the promotion of tourism and art historical research, with lists of officials and their references, also on mercy petitions to death sentences of Poles and Jews (1942-1944). Consists of some files on the organization of the authorities (1942), marriages with foreigners (1941-1943), demarcation to the Generalgouvernement, war damage in Wroclaw and Opole, air raid, Poland prison camps, the consequences of July 20, 1944 plot (attempt to assassinate Adolf Hitler), construction, traffic, confiscation Polish and Jewish property (lists of a year 1944) and statistics.

Note: USHMM Archives holds only selected records.

Administrative Information

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Existence and location of originals: Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi voennyi arkhiv

Related archival materials: Fishman, D. E. and Kupovetsky, M, Kuzelenkov, V. (ed.). Nazi-Looted Jewish Archives in Moscow. A guide to Jewish Historical and Cultural Collections in the Russian State Military Archive. Scranton: University of Scranton Press 2010.

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System of arrangement

Fond 1232 (1940-1945). Opis 1, Dela 205. Arranged in four series: 1. Correspondence and questionnaires relating to German citizenship cases, and lists of "Volksdeutsche"; 3. Catholic Church affairs under German occupation in Silesia; 3. Hitler's orders and research materials of Silesian museums, publishing houses, etc.; 4. List of Polish organizations; list of property confiscated from Jews; topographic maps, statistics and lists of communities in the district of Katowice (Kattowitz).

Note: Location of digital images; Partial microfilm reel #394: Image #915-1184.

Indexing terms

Bormann, Martin, 1900-1945.

Hitler, Adolf, 1889-1945.

Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter--Partei.

World War, 1939-1945--Atrocities--Poland--Katowice.

World War, 1939-1945--Confiscations and contributions--Poland--Silesia.

Germans--Legal status, laws, etc.--Poland--Silesia--History--Sources.

Polish people--Crimes against--Poland--Katowice--20th cent

Katowice (Poland : Voivodeship)--History--20th century.

Opole (Poland)

Poland--History--Occupation, 1939--1945.
Wroclaw (Poland)
Silesia (Poland : Voivodeship)
Correspondence.
Letters.
Maps.
Orders.
Registers.
Statistics.

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- Delo 15 Orders and instructions from Hitler, the Minister of the Interior, the Reich Commissar to strengthen the German nation, the Oberpresident of the Province of Upper Silesia, and others on the resettlement of Germans from other countries to Germany, checking and sorting the population in the eastern regions, creating card files for Poles including members of various Polish organizations and participants in uprisings, the procedure for obtaining German citizenship in the annexed eastern regions, etc. 1940-1944. 243 pp. Folder begins at image 915
- Delo 17 Correspondence with the head of the Imperial Chancellery Lammers, the district administration of the NSDAP, the Minister of Justice and others on granting the Oberpresident the right to pardon Poles and Jews sentenced to death. 1942-1943. 16 pp. Folder begins at image 1160