## Szaniec, 1940

### Rampart

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#### **Scope and Content of Collection**

Szaniec (Rampart) was a weekly newsletter devoted to Poles in captivity. This collection contains articles about forced Polish labor, the massacre of Polish intellectuals, resettlement, news from the front, and the German occupation of other countries.

#### **System of Arrangement**

The system of arrangement of the source repository has been preserved in the microfilmed reel. Newspaper issues from # 6-49 with gaps. Issues # 1, 5, 7, 8, 18, and 19 are missing.

#### **Indexing Terms**

Paderewski, Ignacy Jan, 1860-1941.

Piłsudski, Jósef, 1867-1935.

Szaniec.

Delegatura Rzadu Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej na Kraj.

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

World War, 1939-1945--Underground movements.

World War, 1939-1945--Propaganda.

World War, 1939-1945--Forced labor.

Polish people--Nazi persecution.

Polish people--Legal status, laws, etc.

Warsaw (Poland)--Ethnic relations.

Poland--Warsaw--History --Occupation, 1939-1945.

Newspapers.

# **CONTAINER LIST**

Reel	File	Description
1		*Note: Issues # 1, 5, 7, 8, 18, and 19 are missing.
	Issue #6	Articles blaming Jewish military manufacturers who employ out-of-work Germans for the war and the occupation of Poland. Also includes the text of Ignace Paderewski's speech at meeting of Government-in-exile, and war news from the front. January 31, 1940.
	Issues #9 and #10	Articles concern: Lebensraum; Polish slave laborers for Germany; murder of professionals and intellectuals; and war news. [p. 3-5 illegible]. February 28, 1940.
	Issue #11	Handwritten version of Issues #9 and #10. March 1, 1940.
	Issue #12	Articles concern: Lebensraum; forced resettlement of Poles; brutality of Hans Frank; poem about life under brutal Germans. March 13, 1940.
	Issue #13	Articles concern: Easter greetings; news from the war front; meeting of Hitler and Mussolini; German bombing attacks; and invasion of Finland. March 24, 1940.
	Issue #14	Articles concern: Discrimination by Germans against Polish population of Vilno, Poland (a.k.a. Vilnius, Lithuania) and favoritism shown to Lithuanians; Lithuanian "occupation" of Polish territory; forced labor roundups in Polish towns; Germans are easier on Jews than on Poles; Jews are helping Germans destroy Poland; Germans with no intention of settling the Jewish question in Poland; severe conditions for Polish prisoners-of-war in German prisoner of war camps; rejection of Germany's overture to the Pilsudski government concerning German support of a Polish war against the Soviet Union. April 1, 1940.
	Issue #15	Articles concern: a call for underground groups to work together; arrests in Warsaw; staging and filming by Germans of an attack by "Poles" on Jews in Warsaw marketplaces; distribution of the films to show extent of Polish antisemitism and how Germans treat Jews in a "Christian" manner. April 9, 1940.
		Articles concern: German occupation of Norway and Denmark. April 16, 1940.
	Issue #16	Articles concern: a call for population to be strong and withstand

occupation; news from the war front; talk of resettlement of Jews on Madagascar; German murder of partisans; and mass graves in the Issue #17 forests. April 23, 1940. Articles concern: German occupation of Belgium and the Netherlands; German control of Polish schools; and news from the war front. May 16, 1940. Issue #20 Articles concern: news from the Western Front; local news; and the crash of a training flight in Warsaw. May 23, 1940. Issue #21 Articles concern: criticism of French, Belgian and Dutch armies for early capitulation; reminder that the Soviet Union is as much an enemy as Nazi Germany; Germans kill 700 and burn villages in retaliation for Issue #22 murder of a Volksdeutsche family. May 30, 1940. Articles concern: disaster at Dunkirk, France; poor Allied planning; news from abroad; Soviets urging Poles to join them in fighting the enemy of the Slavs, Germany. June 6, 1940. Issue #23 Articles concern: derogatory comments about Mussolini; patriotic essay; and news from the war front. June 13, 1940. Issue #24 Articles concern: the fall of Paris; bombing raids on Germany; translation of feature article by an American reporter in Germany about the bombing raids in Germany. June 26, 1940. Issue #25 Articles concern: events in France and Romania; excerpts from other underground journals; Franklin D. Roosevelt agrees to help Allies with Lend-Lease; and names and addresses of female collaborators. July 3, Issue #26 1940. Articles concern: events in Romania; reasons for the war; list of Soviet propaganda "lies" by "Communists and Jews"; life under Soviet occupation with Jews being treated better than Poles; and Soviet Issue #27 propaganda about Pope Pius XII. July 10, 1940. Articles concern: effects of Battle of Grunwalde (a.k.a. Grünfelde) on Polish history; criticism of Henri Philippe Pétain; Jewish Agency and Balfour Declaration on creation of Jewish state in Palestine; importance Issue #28 of creation of a Jewish state to Poland where "there are too many Jews;" Polish authorities urged to encourage Jews to emigrate to Palestine; highlights from underground press; Germans' use of Ukrainians to discriminate against Poles; and radio news. July 17, 1940. Articles concern: Hitler blaming England for starting the World War; Hitler's goal is removal of all Jews from Europe; removal of Jewish of their fortunes; Gestapo is easier on Jews than on Poles, often using Jews as informers; Jews are free from forced labor in Germany, what forced labor they are forced to do is in Poland; Nazis benefit from Jews, Issues #29 and

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but their goal is to totally exterminate Poles; reminder to those Poles who have sympathy for Jews that Jews are responsible for terrible things in the East; and analysis of long-term goals of national socialism. August 1, 1940.

Articles concern: Poland's projected defeat of the Nazis; Poland fighting Nazis as well as Jews; arbitrary arrests by Gestapo in Kraków; the Nazis allow publication of "Jewish Gazette" which is used to taint and debase the Polish language and people and is one more example of silent cooperation between Nazis and Jews; and news from the front. August 15, 1940.

Issues #31 and #32

Articles concern: Nazi blockade of Britain; Vichy France vs. Charles DeGaulle; the duty of Poles and Catholics to help the less fortunate; a ghetto is to be built in Kalisz; and warnings to collaborators. August 23, 1940.

Issue #33

Articles concern: review of first year of the war; Polish claims for Silesia, East Prussia, etc.; report from Lodz newspaper stating that Jews in the Lodz ghetto are better treated than Poles; creation of Warsaw ghetto; relocation order for Jews; and war news. August 29, 1940.

Issue #34

Articles concern: derogatory comments about recent radio address by Hitler; closing of schools; first-hand account of conditions in Nazi forced labor camp; and radio news. September 11, 1940.

Issues #35 and #36 Articles concern: Communists infiltration of the Polish underground organizations and planning on taking over Poland after the war; Marxists equated with Jews; and radio war news. September 20, 1940.

Issue #37

Articles concern: a discussion of the pact between Germany, Italy and Japan; radio address of Sikorski; and local and radio news. October 30, 1940.

Issue #38

Articles concern: occupation of Romania; parents urged to teach their children "Christian morals," among other things; warning of communist takeover of Poland after war; and radio war news. October 11, 1940.

Articles concern: the "Germanization" of Poland by wiping out Polish history and culture; German activities in South America; and radio war news. October 18, 1940.

Issue #39

Articles concern: a call for all underground groups to work together for liberation; success of German propaganda abroad; Jews have more living space than Poles in Warsaw; Jews are allowed to live in the German section of the city; <a href="Warschauer Zeitung">Warschauer Zeitung</a> cited regarding the Jewish question, Jews are to be resettled in ghettos and forced to work;

Issue #40

Articles concern: ridiculing of the qualifications of Nazi writers;

local news; and radio war news. October 25, 1940.

Issue #41

discussion of different types of airplanes used by various combatants in war; and radio war news. October 30, 1940. Articles concern: readers urged to pray for Polish victory; creation of ghetto in Lourcz; and radio news. November 8, 1940. Articles concern: the election of Franklin D. Roosevelt; Polish prisoners Issue #42 released from Auschwitz concentration camp; conditions in the camp described; and radio war news. November 14, 1940. Articles concern: discussion of newspaper's history and mission; Issue #43 prediction that Ribbentrop-Molotov Pact will not last; condemnation of Polish Government-in-exile's declaration that Polish Jews will be full and equal citizens after war; and war news. November 29, 1940. Issue #44 Articles concern: claims that Nazis did not plan outbreak of war in organized fashion; Nazi restrictions on Polish cultural life; underground newspapers express sympathy for Jews after sealing of Warsaw ghetto; Issues #45 and newspaper points out Poles are in much worse shape than Jews; Jews #46 are working closely with Soviets; and radio news. December 6, 1940. Articles concern: urging people to boycott the Nazi-sponsored newspaper "Nowy Kurier Warszawsky"; discussion of conditions of various armies involved in war; and radio war news. December 12, Issue #47 1940. Articles concern: Jews and Britain ruling the world; Polish declarations of loyalty; Polish war aims; shootings and appels (roll calls) at Auschwitz concentration camp; and war news. December 20, 1940. Issue #48 Issue #49