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TITLE: Oral history interview with Shlomo Wolkowitz

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SUMMARY: Born in 1922 in Yaglenice, in Tarnopol district, Galicia, Poland. Captured in the city of Zloczow (Zolochiv), at the beginning of the German occupation brought to a death area in the local prison. Managed to survive the mass massacre that took place there, and may well be the only surviving witness to this event. Later captured by Ukrainians, put to jail in the prison of Czortkow (Chortkov), tortured, and succeeded to escape. Then the Soviets captured the area and ruled there until the summer of 1941. Lived through the war in the ghetto of Yaglenice, until the ghetto was liquidated, and then moved with his family to a labour camp as his father was "essential worker". In this camp were held the few Jews that the Germans needed. Managed to get a gun and planned to use it if necessary, as he was determined not to die in the way the Germans planned for him. Was well acquainted with the S.S. men who visited the camp. When the Russians approached, escaped and was later rescued. After the war testified against S.S. war criminals that he had known at the camp.