

MIŁOBĘDZKI, Kazimierz
Polish Witnesses to the Holocaust
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Box 1, Tape 1

In this interview, Kazimierz Miłobędzki, administrator of confiscated [Jewish] real estate during the time of World War II, talks about his experiences in the city of Sokołów Podlaski during this time. He discusses the ghetto there and its subsequent liquidation. In addition, he comments on a nearby concentration camp in Szczeglacin and his efforts to help a number of women survive the Holocaust by arranging volunteer work for them in Germany.

[01:] 01:00:00 – [01:] 11:07:59

Mr. Miłobędzki discusses the beginning of the war, which found him in Warsaw; describes his actions as a member of the resistance forces in **Chelm**; recounts his return to Warsaw and later return to Sokołów Podlaski.

[01:] 11:08:00 – [01:] 20:43:59

Mr. Miłobędzki discusses the initial measures taken against Jews; recalls the introduction of laws concerning confiscated real estate, most of which having belonged to Jews; recalls the establishment of the city ghetto; describes the segregation of Jews from the populace and their containment in the ghetto; comments on the division of the city; describes his work as administrator of the confiscated real estate; discusses the confiscation of other private property from Jews; describes the administration of confiscated real estate.

[01:] 20:44:00 – [01:] 35:49:00

Mr. Miłobędzki discusses the extermination of the Jews in Sokołów Podlaski; describes the liquidation of the ghetto; comments on the cleaning-up of the ghetto; describes the irrigation work of the Jews in the nearby camp at Szczeglacin.

Box 1, Tape 2

[02:] 01:04:00 – [02:] 17:45:59

Mr. Miłobędzki discusses in greater detail the cleaning-up of the ghetto; describes the selling of articles left behind by the Jews; recalls bringing food to the people in the camp from his family's farm; *[shows a photograph of the camp in Szczeglacin]*; points out that there were no German forces in Szczeglacin and that order was maintained by Jewish police; recalls the commander of the camp, Stanisław **Drobia**; recalls buying duvets taken from the ghetto and bringing them to the camp in Szczeglacin; states his high opinion of the agent of the administration, Oskar Auch.

[02:] 17:46:00 – [02:] 36:06:00

*[Mr. Miłobędzki shows a photograph of his Jewish office assistant, Golda **Horberg**];* recalls how she and his father saw the transport of the tools of the camp at Szczeglacin; recounts what he heard of the liquidation of the camp; describes the fate of Golda and her three friends in Germany; discusses the conditions in the camp in Szczeglacin.

Box 1, Tape 3

[03:] 01:03:00 – [03:] 18:37:00 (End)

Mr. Miłobędzki discusses receiving the “Sprawiedliwych Wśród Narodów Świata” medal (Righteous Among the Nations of the World); describes the chance survival of the ghetto's liquidation by the daughter of the rabbi of Sokołów Podlaski; describes how he helped a number of women survive the war by arranging volunteer work in Germany for them; *[shows the medal]*; *[shows an honorary diploma]*; discusses the exhumation of the remains in the mass grave in Sokołów Podlaski; recalls his communication with the women he had helped.