Analysis of Oral History Interview with Feliks Welguś

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Feliks Welguś was born on October 26, 1924 in Zduńska Wola. At the time of German occupation, he worked as an assistant to an electric lineman. He had no contact with Jews and never frequented the Jewish neighborhood in Zduńska Wola. He also claims that he never witnessed any atrocities committed against Jews. When the ghetto was being liquidated (in summer 1943?), Feliks worked for an electric company that was tasked with installation of street lights around the walls of the Jewish cemetery. Feliks' saw a long column of Jews, men and women being marched in formation and led by 4 or 5 Gestapo-men onto the terrain of the cemetery. Feliks saw that upon entering the cemetery grounds, the men in the columns were severely beaten with wooden sticks by the German gendarmes. Although he wasn't certain, Feliks thought that these Jews were held on the cemetery grounds for a day or so, before being deported to an unknown place.