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*** GO BEYOND RELATIVES FOR SOME GREAT STORIES ***
They Can Still Be Included in Your Trees!

by Paul S. Valasek <hallersarmy@aol.com>

Once again, circumstances of daily life stand up and go....psssst! Pay attention!!

To me cable TV is for important material such as classic movies, military channels, Nature studies, Curse of Oak Island.... (after six years, when will they finally find Pee Wee Herman’s bicycle at the bottom of the money pit?)

Anyway, I digress. Why do we study and produce genealogy? Most would say to find out where we come from. Well, OK, I knew that as a small child my family comes from Poland and what was then, Czechoslovakia. So why did I spend the next 50+ years researching, buying computer ware, buying books, going to Europe several times, as well as all across the USA and half of Canada?? Those who have done similar projects will answer. They want to hear the stories. Not just epic stories of a nation’s battle for survival, or the despotic ruler who destroyed many, many lives, or the great art which mankind has produced, but any connection our family has had with any given moment in history.

I guess it would be great to know the eye color of everyone in our family tree, though unless you want to do an eye color genetic study, how critical is it to have 16,000 connected individuals and know if their eyes were blue, grey, brown, hazel, etc., etc. We want meat with all of the sprouts and veggies. And more so if some of that meat is from our ancestors’ roles in history.

So I have to believe that as we add new individuals into our trees, we wonder, What did he/she do in life? or, as the old movie title goes, What Did You Do in the War, Daddy?

For war, my wife Andrea and I have pretty opposite stories to tell. I had one Polish grandfather who served in Haller’s Army. My Czech grandfather also served in World War I, BUT in the 3rd Austrian Infantry Regiment. Stories for him are fewer, but there is mention of him being in Verdun at the start of the war and again at the end of the war. In between, he drove ammunition and supplies through the Italian Alps, and also supplied munitions for the “Big Bertha” which was a truck mount.

As it turns out, neither of Andrea’s grandfathers ever wore a military uniform. Her mother’s father was a high-ranking Russian Orthodox priest in the USA, so vestments replaced uniforms. Her father’s father came to the United States in 1903 just short of his 24th birthday. Since he was fortunate to be born at a time when major wars and battles were not raging, he was allowed to “skip” the military (mainly due to the fact the conscription was not excessively in demand) and was allowed to start anew in the USA. He did start wearing the uniform of a coal miner, so maybe his carbide lamp was his decoration.
This past summer, the 75th anniversary of D-Day was up-front and center, for weeks in a row. The great range of war movies were being shown as well as many episodes on war channels and the like. Two movies come to mind, The Longest Day and Battle of Britain. I cannot say any of my family was in either battle, and I asked Andrea if she knew anyone who was in either conflict. She said not to her knowledge, but as I watched the Battle of Britain, there is the part in the movie where the RAF is dealing with volunteer Polish pilots who came from Poland, through France to join up in England and fight the Germans to free Poland. Great frustration!

Then I remembered Eddie Zieniewicz. He was a good friend of my grandparents and a man I remember well for the limited times we interacted. He was 40 years older than I and what can a young child discuss with a soldier. BUT, I remember my father saying that Zieniewicz was a Polish pilot for the RAF. So now my interest became peaked once again. Was he a fighter pilot, commonly referred to as “Little Friends” for partially protecting the bombers on their run over the channel to bomb targets in France, Holland, and Germany. Or was he on a bomber squadron, helping a crew of as many as 8 to 11 drop bombs over enemy targets, night after night?

So with the internet functioning better than ever (in spite of its many drawbacks by those who think its only purpose is to vent thoughts for the world to see), I Googled Edward Zieniewicz. Lo and behold, the first hit was for <https://listakrzystka.pl/en/zieniewicz-edward/>, and not only a match, but a copy of what appears to be his military ID photo.

Zieniewicz, Edward

RAF Service No. 703659

| 19.03.1916 | no data | no data | no data |
| date of birth | place of birth | county | country |

| no data | Chicago, IL, USA |
| date of death | last known place of residence |

| W/O | sierżant | Air Bomber |
| RAF rank | Polish rank | trade |

300 Sqdn

known or last posting

KW, 2xML

decorations

His brief bio matched what I knew of him, but this photo was dead on, as the man I knew was a friend of my grandparents. He spoke very good English but did have a Polish accent (as I remember, one could call it a Continental accent due to its flavoring of English which did not overpower the words.)

For last place of residence, it is listed as Chicago, IL. Which would match him here in the city when I knew him as a child. BUT, the best is yet to come.
I would usually see him when he was visiting my grandmother with his wife Stefie, as she was known. But these visits became less and less as time moved on and the interactive styles of my grandparents’ generation began to fade. Fading until my first trip to Poland in 1974. I, with my parents, found out that Eddie and Stefie Zieniewicz retired to Poland recently, Warsaw exactly, and we located their apartment and went to visit them. I was 18 at the time, so now I could ask just about any question I wanted to, but, yes, you guessed it, I did NOT sit down and talk about his war career. If only I had a second chance!

Their apartment was in a high rise and overlooked one of the museums in Warsaw, to this I have some photos. The most memorable moment was when Eddie suggested we go for lunch. In his style, he suggested the Hotel Bristol. For decades and decades, this hotel was considered, and probably still is, one of Warsaw’s highest regarded hotels and restaurant. For that matter, Ignace Jan Paderewski often stayed in rooms there which were reserved for him when on business or visits on behalf of the United States and Poland. What an opportunity. The other amazing thing was when Eddie retired to Warsaw, he brought his jet black, 1965 Buick Wildcat automobile with him. We asked whether that was really too extravagant, but he said that it cost about $500.00 to ship and he could fill it up with clothing, and objects he wanted to bring with to Poland. Not only was that a reasonable fee, but at that time, ten times the amount would not have been able to buy much of a car in Poland as this was the age of Communism and quotas, and limitations, and the like.

So off we go from his apartment garage to the Hotel Bristol as he slowly drove through the streets of Warsaw. My dad quite early on noticed that no matter where we went, or if we stopped for a light, everyone stopped and stared at us in this big black “limousine.” My dad asked if they were staring at an American automobile, but Eddie said, “Probably, but more likely they were trying to see which “party members” were being driven in a black limousine. At that time, the only large black cars were that of Communist party member leaders. I still smile when I think of that afternoon.

So as it turns out, Edward Zieniewicz, friend of my grandparents and my parents, served in the Battle of Britain as a sergeant in a bomber squadron, the 300 Squadron. By then searching the internet for 300 Squadron, RAF, a number of sites pop up where details are provided for some of their missions. Those being Dunkerque, France, Bremen, Berlin and for the last week of the war, Hitler’s chalet at Berchtesgaden. So who knows for sure, but it’s possible, that I was treated to lunch by a gentleman who assisted dropping bombs on Hitler’s residence. So there’s a story as told connected to my family in more than one interaction, which would make one think to keep searching. There will come a time not in the all too distant future, when people like myself, who grew up with World War II veterans, are now visiting with them in another place, and those people who remain here can only read about it in articles and books. Write your stories down whether they are your own, or have been told to you. Once the memories are gone, so are the stories.

For those who want to know more about the Polish pilots in World War II, especially the RAF, take a look at the site, and search for names which then may link directly to a family tree. I’d love to hear about this, and I guess so would our readers.
One more thing, Edward Zieniewicz was also a talented singer. He sang in Chicago in a male quartet and pressed at least two LPs; not sure about 78 RPM discs. For those who wish to continue researching on another of my favorite sites, YouTube, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8jOFTm3SJWs>. This page is a clip of Tango lotnika (Airman’s Tango), for which Zieniewicz wrote the lyrics. He also is also singing on the recording – I believe he was the baritone.

From YouTube’s listing:

*Absolute premiere of the song “Airman’s tango” – words by Edward Zieniewicz, music by Jan Wojewódka performed by “Wesoła Czwórka” (The Merry Four), a Polish music group from Chicago (USA).*

A true gentleman and someone I am pleased to have met!

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*** CONGRATULATIONS, WARREN BLATT! ***

The 23 June 2019 issue of *Nu? What’s New?* included an item announcing that Warren Blatt, a longtime major figure in Jewish genealogical research, has now taken the role of Senior Genealogist at JewishGen, <https://www.jewishgen.org/>. He has served as Managing Director of JewishGen since 2008, and is credited with having done much to put that organization on a sound footing. Improvements made under his direction have also greatly increased the site’s value to all researchers, including non-Jews. I hope he enjoys his new position and continues to help researchers do better work!

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*** DEBBIE GREENLEE’S POLISH SPIRIT AWARD ***

*by Debbie Greenlee <daveg@airmail.net>*

Editor – Debbie was given the Polish Spirit Award recently, and she shared her acceptance speech with the members of the Polish Genius mailing list. I thought many of you will enjoy reading it, so here it is.

I decided to post the acceptance speech I gave in receipt of the “Polish Spirit Award” given to me by the Polish Museum of America on June 7, 2019.

The name of the girl and her family history is fictitious.

“I’d like to thank the Museum and its leadership and members for this wonderful honor.

It is correctly said that America is a melting pot. That is both good and, in some ways, bad.
The good side is unity, tolerance, and respect. We as Poles certainly know the benefit of that kind of melting. It means no longer being the outsider, the other, the butt of Polish jokes and dumb Polock insults. That comes with the good kind of melting, the kind where Emily Kiryk is just an ordinary American schoolgirl in Los Angeles with a somewhat different last name.

The bad side of melting comes when young Emily — who is actually only one thirty-second Polish — has no knowledge of what it is to be Polish and only knows that her surname is well, maybe ... Polish?

Like most people, Emily has little knowledge of her family history before her grandparents. Emily has no idea that her pra-pra-pra- dziadek, Andrzej Kiryk, came over from Mostki, Poland, to work in the coal mines of Pennsylvania in 1898, but saved up and moved to a small house off Milwaukee Avenue in Chicago and brought over his wife and children in 1905.

Hopefully, Emily will eventually become curious about her “odd” last name and start looking into things.

And this is where the Polish Museum of America has its greatest role and plays the greatest part. When Emily decides to come to Chicago seeking her heritage, she’ll get a slight taste of it along Milwaukee Avenue and Archer Avenue and perhaps another taste at the doors of St. Hyacinth’s and St. Stan’s.

But where she’ll get it in full, vibrant detail is inside the doors of the Polish Museum of America.

The PMA is, above all else, the repository of what it means to be Polish in America.

That’s the reason that I’ve had the distinct honor and privilege of supporting the Museum and its programs. And it’s the reason that I am both honored and humbled to accept this wonderful award, not so much for myself, but for the Emilys yet to come, to give them the chance to look up and smile, and say with the pride of discovery and ancestry, “Jestem Polski!” Thank you. “

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*** GENETEKA INDEX UPDATES ***

by Waldemar Chorzązewicz

Editor – Once more, let me pass along some of the new Geneteka indexes shared by Waldemar on Facebook’s Polish Genealogy group this month. You can find assistance with the two-letter province abbreviations online, for instance, at <http://hitchwiki.org/pl/Szablon:Wojew%C3%B3dztwa_Polski>. Note that UK is Ukraine and BR is Belarus.
Also worth remembering is the tip Henry Szot shared with us in the April 2018 issue of *Gen Dobry*!

Here is an easy way to find out if an index has been updated. On the top right of results pages, there is a list of options (*opcje*). The last item is *Wyszukaj tylko indeksy z ostatnich* (search only indexes in the last), with a choice of 1, 3, 7, 14, 31, and 60 days. This permits receiving results only in the chosen time period.

Example of use:
1) select the search page icon,
2) select świętokrzyskie,
3) select parish Sokolina and the wyszukaj option with 31 days,
4) if any, only results entered for the last 31 days will be shown.

A surname might be added to further limit results.


**Baldrzychów (LD)** -- UMZ 1901-09, indexed by Incognito

**Bargłów (PL)** -- Z 1913-21 (expansion), Z 1921-27, indexed by Magdalena Wróbel

**Biała (pow. plocki) (MZ)** -- U 1900-02, indexed by Michał Gorczyca

**Biała pow. wieluński (LD)** -- UMZ 1902, 1903, indexed by Danuta Mieżyńska

**Biała Rawska (LD)** -- UZ 1820-25, M 1820-23,25, indexed by Ewa Czerkawska

**Białaszewo (PL)** -- U 1859-60, indexed by Magdalena Wróbel

**Białaszewo (PL)** -- Z 1869, indexed by Marcin Marcińczyk, weryf. Krzysztof Piaszczyński

**Białaszewo (PL)** -- Z 1870, indexed by Marcin Marcińczyk

**Białotarsk (MZ)** -- M 1900-14, indexed by Jan Berens

**Błuszczów - Bluschczau (SL)** -- U 1876 , indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum

**Błażowa (m. Błażowa) (PK)** -- Z 1874-98, indexed by Anna Krawiec

**Błonie pow. łączycki (LD)** -- UMZ 1917-18, indexed by Jarosław Szymczak

**Boleszczyn (WP)** -- U 1879, indexed by Krystyna Kwos Leska

**Borszewice (LD)** -- UMZ 1838, indexed by Felberg_Sławomir

**Borszewice (LD)** -- UMZ 1838, indexed by Felberg_Sławomir

**Brzeźnica (MZ)** -- UMZ 1871-74, indexed by Jakub Biały

**Burzyn (PL)** -- U 1912b-15a, indexed by Piotr Laskowski

**Chelmica (KP)** -- M 1917-18, indexed by Jan Berens

**Chelmo (LD)** -- M 1826-30 (rozsz.), indexed by Gadecki.Bogusław

**Chociszewo (MZ)** -- U 1826-34, indexed by Incognito

**Chorzelów (mm. Chrząstów i Wola Chorzelowska) (PK)** -- U 1866-75, indexed by Marek Podolski

**Ciechanów (MZ)** -- UMZ 1862-69, indexed by Izabela Czaplicka

**Cieksyn (MZ)** -- UMZ 1905-06, indexed by Joanna Suska

**Czermin (m. Czermin) (PK)** -- M 1833-1903, indexed by Krzysztof Naróg

**Czyżew (PL)** -- U 1815-21 M 1801-1808a Z 1803-06, indexed by Michał Cymbalak

**Dawidów (UK)** -- U 1679-1708,1728-72,1816-19,1821-1907, indexed by Honorata Huk

**Dmosin (LD)** -- UMZ 1874-78, indexed by Wojciech Borkowski
Dobra (LD) -- UMZ 1905-11, indexed by Incognito
Dobre (MZ) -- U 1906, indexed by Artur Lewandowski
Domaniewice (LD) -- SkUZ 1917-18, indexed by Kamil Małecki
Drugnia (SK) -- U 1841-74, indexed by Edward Jabłoński
Drużbice (LD) -- UMZ 1896-1900, indexed by Ilona Gieras
Drużbin (LD) -- M 1835-40, indexed by Krystian Dzikowski
Falków (SK) -- UMZ 1891-93, indexed by Joanna Bugajska
Gąsewo (MZ) -- M 1880-89, Z 1857-67, indexed by Robert Pawłowski
Glinianka (MZ) -- M 1810-13, 26-42, indexed by Marta Walczak
Gniekowo (KP) -- U 1811-19, 21-30, indexed by Adrian Kaszubski
Godynice (LD) -- M 1912-18, indexed by Incognito
Godynice (LD) -- UZ 1808-11, indexed by Filip Skurzewski
Godzianów (LD) -- U 1736-52, indexed by zbyszek.p70
Gomulin (LD) -- UMZ 1830-33, UMZ 1835-40, indexed by Monika Ignatowicz
Gorzyce - Groß Gorzütz (SL) -- U 1898,1902, Z 1902-04, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Góra św. Małgorzaty (LD) -- UMZ 1909, indexed by Dariusz Śludkowski
Górowo-Konradswaldau (DS) -- M 1819-20, indexed by Michael Schätzlein
Gradzanowo (MZ) -- U 1874-75, indexed by JulieMCRSz
Grodnofara (BR) -- U 1802-1805, brak 01.-06.1802, indexed by Wilnianka
Hadynów (MZ) -- U 1854, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski
Harta (m. Harta) (PK) -- U 1814-44, indexed by Rafał Łukasz Zioło
Harta (m. Szklary) (PK) -- U 1876-1909, indexed by Rafał Łukasz Zioło
Imielno (LD) -- UMZ 1918, indexed by Józef Dębowski
Imielno (SK) -- U 1915-17, M 1922-30, indexed by Jacek Sławiński
Janisławice (LD) -- M 1886-89, indexed by Tomasz Przygodziński
Jasieniec (MZ) -- U 1822, 98-1913, M 1886-1913, Z 1811, indexed by Teresa Mikołajewska
Jasieniec (MZ) -- U 1873-82, indexed by Dominika Smolińska, checked by Teresa Mikołajewska
Jasieniec (MZ) -- U 1883-97, M 1876-85, indexed by Beata Wójcik, checked by Teresa Mikołajewska
Jedwabne (PL) -- Z 1894-97, indexed by Grzegorz Nowik
Kaczewo (KP) -- U 1794-1808, indexed by Justyna Lewandowska
Kalina Wielka (MP) -- U 1754-89, Z 1770-97, indexed by Renata Majewska
Kalisz św. Józef (WP) -- U 1919, indexed by Magdalena Strózik
Kalwaria Wileńska (LT) -- M1871-1901, indexed by Bożena Tylingo
Kalów (LD) -- UMZ 1867-87, indexed by Michał Stasiak
Kałuszyn (MZ) -- UMZ 1817-20, indexed by Karol Kostecki
Kazimierza Wielka (SK) -- M 1871-79,81,83-97, indexed by Małgorzata Kisiel-Dorohinicka
Kątna-Süßwinkel USC (DS) -- M 1878-1888, indexed by Michael Schätzlein
Kijów św. Aleksander (UK) -- UM 1915, M 1916, indexed by Joanna Maślanek

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Kleszczele (Uniate parish) (PL) -- U 1823, 1824, indexed by Walenty Adamiec
Kodrąb (LD) -- U 1770-1903, M 1895-1921, indexed by A.Ch.
Kolno (PL) -- Z 1893, indexed by Magdalena Gugnacka-Ścępień
Koneck (KP) -- M 1729-30, 48-79, indexed by Janson
Kowel (UK) -- M 1833-1902, various years from that period, indexed by Danuta Wojtowicz
Kożuchów (LS) -- M 1842-52 Z 1794-1801, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski
Krajkowo (MZ) -- UZ 1808-25, 1906-13, indexed by Krystyna Malik
Krasnopol Ukraina (UK) -- U 1886-94, Z 1890-1900, indexed by Marek70
Krosno (PK) -- UMZ 1899-1900, indexed by Grzegorz Zuzak
Krośniewice (LD) -- UMZ 1917-18, indexed by Józef Dębowski
Krysk (MZ) -- M 1842-54, 1856-57 indexed by Bożena Prymus
Krzanowice (SL) -- M 1801-10, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Krzęcice (SK) -- Z 1860-69, indexed by Renata Majewska
Krzyżanowice (MZ) -- M 1891-99, indexed by Wiktoria Pilnik

Kuźnia Raciborska - Ratiborhammer USC (SL) -- M 1874-75, 77-81, 83, 85-88, 92-93, 97-1900, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Kuźnica (PL) -- U 1809-11, 13-40, indexed by Waldas
Kwiatkowice (LD) -- UMZ 1917-18, indexed by Grzegorz Żychowski
Lidzbark (WM) -- M 1775-1788, indexed by Waldemar Chorążewicz
Lidzbark Welski (WM) -- M 1789-1800, indexed by Waldemar Chorążewicz
Lidzbark Welski (WM) -- M 1800-03, 1816-19, indexed by Paweł Olszewski, Małgorzata Greita, checked by Waldemar Chorążewicz
Lidzbark Welski (WM) -- M 1803-07, indexed by Paweł Olszewski, checked by Waldemar Chorążewicz
Lidzbark Welski (WM) -- M 1807-15, indexed by Waldemar Chorążewicz
Lipce Reymontowskie (LD) -- Z 1916-17, indexed by Kamil Małecki
Lubomia - Lubom (SL) -- SkM 1901-36, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Lubsza-Lubschau (SL) -- U 1870-78, M 1876-79, Z 1874-79, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Łagiewniki pow. wieluński (LD) -- U 1827-29, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski
Łowce (m. Ostrów) (PK) -- U 1864-67, 1869-86, indexed by Krzysztof Gruszka
Łódź NMP (LD) -- Z 1863-64, indexed by magnowa
Łódź św. Anna (LD) -- M 1922, Z 1921, 1922, indexed by Urszula Gałkiewicz
Łódź św. Józef (LD) -- U 1917, M 1921-23, Z 1919-23, indexed by Janusz Kucharczyk
Łódź św. Krzyż (LD) -- Z 1903, indexed by Janusz Kucharczyk
Łódź-Łagiewniki (LD) -- UMZ 1917, indexed by Janusz Kucharczyk
Łubowice - Lubowitz (SL) -- M 1800-09, 20-21, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Łunna (BR) -- UMZ 1802-1818, indexed by Wilnianka
Maluszyn (LD) -- UMZ 1732-53, U 1754-76, indexed by Jan Arabas
Mikołajów nad Dniestrem gk (UK) -- U 1814-1819, Z 1830-1849, indexed by Magdalena Kasprzycka
Mikołajów nad Dniestrem rk (UK) -- Z 1823-1849, indexed by Magdalena Kasprzycka
Milonice (LD) -- UMZ 1917-18, indexed by Józef Dębowski

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Minoga (MP) -- U 1871-74, Z 1906-10,12 (rozszerzenie), indexed by Grzegorz Madej
Mniszew (MZ) -- Z 1874-80, 83-85, 93-1907, indexed by Beata Krupa
Modlnica Wielka (MP) -- U 1819-20, indexed by Aldona Widłak
Mordy (MZ) -- U 1829-44, Z 1828-43, 1844, 1853-63, indexed by Magda Tarkowska
Mosty (BR) -- UMZ 1819-1830, indexed by Franek23
Niegowić (MP) -- U 1901-10, indexed by Ela Synowiec
Niesulków (LD) -- UMZ 1857, indexed by Edyta Bednarek
Niesulków (LD) -- UMZ 1877-83, indexed by Wojciech Borkowski
Nieszawa (ewang.) (KP) -- U 1915, M 1916-18, Z 1918, indexed by Krzysztof Bartosik
Nowa Słupia (SK) -- M 1830-41, indexed by Bożena Krajewska
Nowe gm. Krośniewice (LD) -- UMZ 1917-18, indexed by Józef Dębowski
Nowe Miasto n. Pilicą (MZ) -- UZ 1879-81, M 1880-81, indexed by Krzysztof Jacch
Nowy Korczyn (SK) -- UMZ 1824-25, indexed by Henryk Adamczyk
Nozdrzec (PK) -- U 1784-1918; M 1785-1899; Z 1785-1890 (indexed and checked), indexed by
Rafał Łukasz Zioło
Nur (MZ) -- UZ 1808-13, indexed by Grażyna Przybysz
Opatów (SK) -- M 1904-07, 1909-11, indexed by Marcin Nowak
Orłów (LD) -- M 1845,67,74,76-77,1917-21, indexed by Antoni Burzyński
Ostrowce (SK) -- Z 1875-1916, indexed by Wojciech Liśkiewicz
Ostrowice (pow. lipnowski) (KP) -- U 1808-09,13,16-19 M 1808,10,16-19, Z 1816-19, indexed
by Monika Blumberg
Ostrowo nad Goplem (KP) -- U 1805-25, indexed by Justyna Lewandowska
Ostrowy Tuszkowskie (mm. Komorów, Ostrowy Tuszkowskie, Przyłęk, Toporów i Szydłowiec)
(PK) -- M 1800-20, indexed by Bartłomiej Babiarz
Ożarów (LD) -- M 1817-20, indexed by Tomasz Skolimowski
Padew Narodowa (PK) -- M 1808-18, 1820-27, indexed by Agnieszka K.
Pątnów (LD) -- UMZ 1868-75,1912-14, indexed by Urszula Świerczyńska
Piątek (LD) -- Z 1829-30, indexed by Tomasz Frynia
Pickary Śląskie - Dąbrowka Wielka (SL) -- M 1923-27, indexed by Leszek Chrobok
Pietrowice Wielkie (SL) -- M 1822-41, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Pionki-Zagożdżon (MZ) -- M 1890-1904, indexed by Krzysztof Gruszka
Płock (MZ) -- SkU 1581-1808, indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-Lenart
Płoński (MZ) -- U 1891-92, Z 1889-90, indexed by Karol Szulc
Policzna (MZ) -- U 1903-42, M 1916, 1925-36, Z 1925-29, indexed by Bartłomiej Zieliński
Polajewo (KP) -- U 1809-11, indexed by Krystyna Domańska-Bzdak
Poręba-Koceby (MZ) -- UMZ 1913, indexed by Waldemar Badurek
Pożdżenie (ewang.) (LD) -- U 1891-1906, 1908, Z 1874-90, indexed by Henryk Koluszkowski
Prandocin (MP) --, indexed by Magdalena Kasprzycka
Pruchnik (mm. Czudowice, Tyniowice, Chorzów, Świebodna, Węgierka, Rozbórz Okrągły,
Rozbórz Długi) (PK) -- M 1890-1904, indexed by Krzysztof Gruszka
Przedbórz (LD) -- U 1785-1800, M 1768-1800, Z 1768-1800, UMZ 1801-10, indexed by
Krzystyna Stanisławska
Przesmyki (MZ) -- Z 1813-15, 22-25, indexed by Magda Tarkowska
Psaczyna Wszystkich Świętych (SL) -- U 1851-61, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Ptkanów (SK) -- Z 1898-1902, indexed by Marcin Nowak
Pułtusk (MZ) -- U 1821-25, indexed by Rafał Albiński
Puszcza Mariańska (MZ) -- U 1915-18, M 1915-18, indexed by Tomasz Przygodziński
Racibórz-Bosacz - Bosatz USC (SL) -- M 1874-1907,03,05-06, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Racibórz-Markowice- Markowitz (SL) -- M 1813-48, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Racibórz-Ostróg - Ostrog USC (SL) -- M 1896-1911, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Racibórz-Płonia - Plania USC (SL) -- SkM 1896-1910, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Racibórz-Studzienna USC (SL) -- SkM 1895-1931, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Radlin - Radlin (SL) -- M 1874-95, indexed byGTG_Silius_Radicum
Radziejów (KP) -- U 1912-13, Z 1911-14, indexed by Krystyna Domańska-Bzdak
Rawa Mazowiecka (LD) -- U 1783-1800, indexed by Danuta Danecka
Różana (BR) -- UMZ 1796-1818, indexed by Bożena Czarnuszewicz
Rudlice (LD) -- UMZ 1820, 1821-25, 1865-67, indexed by Grażyna Stasiak
Rudlice (LD) -- UMZ 1826-35, indexed by Elżbieta Misiewicz
Rudlice (LD) -- UMZ 1868-75, indexed by Urszula Świerczyńska
Rypin (KP) -- UZ 1861-67, 1871-80, indexed by Mary Ann Graham
Rzeczniów (MZ) -- U 1766-1825, M 1766-1830, Z 1760-1830, indexed by Karol Giemza
Rzęcyca (LD) -- U 1808-09, indexed by Artur Godlewski
Samborzec (SK) -- UMZ 1824-30, indexed by Katarzyna_Marchlińska
Sędziejowice (SK) -- UMZ 1817-18, indexed by Artur Koźmiński
Sienno (MZ) -- U 1797-1807, indexed by Marcin Luziński
Sieradz-Męka (LD) -- M 1890, indexed by Wojciech Pawlica
Skórzec (MZ) -- Z 1908, indexed by Arek Wałęcki
Sławków - Sławikau (SL) -- 1819-29, indexed by GTG_Silius_Radicum
Sławno (LD) -- Z 1814, 16, 1817-19, 1820, indexed by Marcin Dobrzyński
Słupiec (MP) -- Z 1808-15, indexed by Dawid_mek
Sokół (pow. gostyniński) (MZ) -- UMZ 1858-60, 1861-63, indexed by Bożena Prymus
Sokółka (PL) -- U 1816-21a M 1816b-20 Z 1818-20, indexed by Alicja Rybało
Solek-Śleszyn (LD) -- UMZ 1810, UM 1826-33, M 1912-24, Z 1825-35, 1855, 1905-17, indexed by Antoni Burzyński
Stara Rawa (LD) -- U 1894-99, Z 1893, 1895, indexed by Tomasz Przygodziński
Starachowice - Wierzbnik (SK) -- U 1916-18, indexed by Bożena Krajewska
Straszewo (KP) -- M 1808,12,-14 , Z 1809,12, indexed by Janson
Suchożebry (MZ) -- U 1876-80, Z 1876-80, indexed by Anna Poprawa
Sułmierzyce pow. Krotoszyn (WP) -- U 1824-1827, 1829-34, indexed by Henryk Machnik
Surwiliszki (LT) -- M 1799-1821, indexed by Grażyna Wójcik
Suwałki (PL) -- M 1932-33, 1935, indexed by Marek Rozmysłowski
Szadek (LD) -- U 1834, U 1914-15, UM 1823, UZ 1860-67, indexed by Marcin Maryncz
Szczeglice (SK) -- UMZ 1870-76,85, indexed by Stanisław Chrzanowski
Szczepankowo (PL) -- U 1832-35, indexed by Bożena Śmigulska
Szczepanowo (KP) -- Z 1893-99, indexed by Agnieszka Maja Mizgalska, Wasniewski_Th
Szymanów (MZ) -- U 1672-73, 83-87, 1717-19, 24-25, 33-35, 51-53, 55, indexed by Tomasz Frynia
Świdnica- Schweidnitz (DS) -- M 1909, indexed by Michael Schätzlein
Świsłocz Górna (franciszkańska) (BR) -- UMZ 1802-1818, indexed by Wilnianka
Tuszyn (LD) -- UMZ 1907-08, indexed by Anna Goss
Tworków (SL) -- M 1876, 1886-1900, indexed by GTG_Silisius_Radicum
Tymienica Nowa (MZ) -- U 1912-28, UZ 1911-14, M 1912-14, indexed by Bartłomiej Zieliński
Uników (LD) -- UMZ 1918, indexed by Incognito
Warszawa ASC Cyrkul IV (WA) -- U 1824, indexed by Kamila Szymankiewicz
Warszawa Nawiedzenie NMP (WA) -- UMZ 1914, indexed by Jerzy Mrozowski
Warszawa św. Trójca (WA) -- Z 1897, indexed by Adam Rozenau
Warszawa-Ochota św. Jakub (WA) -- MZ 1921, indexed by Tomasz Szczepaniak
Warszawa–Praga MB Loretańska (WA) -- M 1913, 15-27, 29-38, indexed by Incognito
Warszawa–Praga MB Loretańska (WA) -- Z 1868, indexed by Tomasz Pergałowski
Warszawa–Wola św. Stanisława (WA) -- Z 1863-67, indexed by Ewa Czerkawska
Wawiórka (BR) -- U 1878-1889, Z 1819-1829 (1821 missing), indexed by Danuta Wasilewska-
Lenart
Węgrzynowo (MZ) -- UMZ 1907, indexed by Robert Pawłowski
Wielbark–Willenberg (WM) -- U 1828-29, indexed by Cynthia Kurlas, checked by Waldemar
Chorążewicz
Wielbark–Willenberg (WM) -- U 1834, indexed by Donata Stemplewska, checked by Waldemar
Chorążewicz
Wieliszew (MZ) -- U 1912, MZ 1911-12, indexed by Julia Trzcińska-Biskupska
Wilno, Wszystkich Świętych (LT) -- M 1838-1855, Z 1849-1855, indexed by Bożena Tylingo
Wiskitki (MZ) -- M 1804-08, indexed by Tomasz Frynia
Witowo (KP) -- M 1826-30,39-46 (expansion), indexed by Krystyna Domańska-Bzdak
Witowo (KP) -- U 1751-1808, indexed by Krzysztof Kośnik
Wlocławek (KP) -- M 1881-85, indexed by Barbara Lendzon
Włodowice (SL) -- M 1844, indexed by Maria Dobrosława
Wyśmierzyce (MZ) -- M 1903-12, indexed by Aleksandra Piętak
Zabrze Mikulczycy św.Wawrzyńca (SL) -- U 1891-1907, indexed by Barbara Wiechuła
Zdroże (MP) -- UZ 1871-1916, indexed by Jerzy Żurada
Zaduszniki (KP) -- UZ 1821-25, indexed by Witold Gryczewski
Zgierz (LD) -- UMZ 1917, indexed by Urszula Gałkiewicz
Zielona Ciechanowska (MZ) -- Z 1869-1913, indexed by Barbara Staniak
Złoczew (LD) -- U 1903-13, indexed by Incognito
Złotniki (SK) -- U 1880-81, indexed by Lechkar
Żelazna (LD) -- U 1868-97, indexed by Urszula Świerczyńska
Żeliszew (MZ) -- UZ 1859-65, M 1891-95, indexed by Hanna Kołodziejska
Żmigród-Trachenberg USC (DS) -- M 1875-1888, indexed by Michael Schätzlein
Żnin (KP) -- 1785-1800, indexed by Krystyna.waw.
Żory - Baranowice (SL) -- M 1874-1902, indexed by GTG_Silisius_Radicum
Żurominek (Żuromin Kapitulny) (MZ) -- M 1889-93, indexed by Jan Wojtkiewicz

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**Forum, Summer 2019, Vol. 31, No. 2 • Federation of Genealogical Societies, PO Box 200940, Austin, TX 78720-0940 • [https://fgs.org].**
- Find Great-grandma’s Diary Using ArchiveGrid, Paula Stuart-Warren, CG, FMGC FUGA
- A Quick Guide to Genealogy Credentials, Diane C. Loosle, AG, CG
- Cooking Up Genealogy: A Recipe for Fundraising, Gena Philibert-Ortega
- FGS 2019 in Washington, DC: It’s the Place To Be!, Jenny Hawran, Katherine R. Willson, and Pamela K. Sayre, CG, FUGA
- Use the DAR Genealogical Research System to Find Your Ancestors, Carol Genung
- Beyond Boxes & Binders – There’s More to the Story, Linda Coffin
- Ethics & Standards – Doing It Right: Using DNA in Genealogy, Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL
- Next Generation: Self-promotion & the Lonely Genealogist: Let’s Get Together & Learn!, Shannon Combs-Bennett
- Forensic Genealogy – More on Forensic Genealogy, DNA Databases & Law Enforcement, Helen Haldeman Daglas

- From the Editor’s Desk, Jodi G. Benjamin
- Research Corner: University Records Revisited, Andrew Zalewski
- Map Corner: Lwów University on the Move, Jay Osborn
- A Secret in the Family: The Story behind the Headlines, Christina Craig
- Jewish Life in Tarnów before the Shoah, Felicia Lederberger-Graber
- Interview with Tosia Szechter Schneider: Witness to a World That Is No More
- Surviving in Lwów: A Jewish Physician’s Experience, Arthur J. Wolak

*** UPCOMING EVENTS ***

*Note: see also [http://eogn.wikidot.com/] for a large selection of upcoming events in the world of genealogy.*

2–4 July 2019

The 11th International Colloquium of Genealogy
Warsaw
“On behalf of the organizing committee, The International Academy for Genealogy and The Polish Heraldry Society, we are pleased to announce that the 11th International Colloquium of Genealogy will be held from July 2 to 4, 2019 in Warsaw, Poland. The Colloquium is a biennial event held by The International Academy for Genealogy since its foundation. This year, the major theme of the colloquium will focus on ‘Europe in families and the world. Genealogical and heraldic aspects.’”

For more information (in English) see these sites:

<http://www.icg2019.eu/>

<https://przodek.pl/wiadomosci/11th-international-colloquium-of-genealogy>

28 July – 2 August 2019

39th IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy
Cleveland, Ohio

The International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies will hold its 39th International Conference on Jewish Genealogy in Cleveland, Ohio, on 28 July to 2 August 2019. The Conference is co-hosted by the Jewish Genealogy Society of Cleveland. This conference is a major event every year, and there’s no reason to expect otherwise this year. Registration for the conference is now open. More information is available at the following website:

<http://www.iajgs2019.org/>

21 – 24 August 2019

FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES (FGS) CONFERENCE
“Come Home to Our Washington, D.C.”
Omni Shoreham Hotel • 2500 Calvert Street NW, Washington, DC 20008

The 2019 FGS Conference will be held at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C., with easy access to the National Archives, Library of Congress, DAR Library, and more by Metro. There is more info at this web page, including a link to make reservations at the hotel. Registration is now open.

<https://fgs.org/conferences/>
MYHERITAGE LIVE 2019
2019 VIRTUAL GENEALOGY LECTURE SERIES
The Hilton Amsterdam in the Netherlands

MyHeritage LIVE 2019 will take place on September 6-8 2019 at the Hilton Amsterdam in the Netherlands. The hotel is located south of central Amsterdam, near the museum district, and we have arranged a special rate for guests who choose to stay at the hotel.

In addition to a plenary session from MyHeritage Founder and CEO, Gilad Japhet, there will be genealogy and DNA lecture tracks, as well as hands-on workshops to walk attendees through MyHeritage tools and features step-by-step.

Conference tickets include access to lectures, workshops, coffee breaks, lunches on Saturday and Sunday, a Friday night drink reception, and the celebratory MyHeritage party on Saturday night, all of which you don’t want to miss!

This information is from the announcement at <https://blog.myheritage.com/2019/02/announcing-myheritage-live-2019/>. Per a 21 June 2019 post on Eastman’s Online Genealogy Newsletter, the schedule of presentations was recently posted to the MyHeritage blog: <http://bit.ly/2YaAPxq>.

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Saturday, 14 September 2019

The Ukrainian History and Education Center’s Family History Group, Nashi Predky
2019 VIRTUAL GENEALOGY LECTURE SERIES
“Ties of Kinship: Genealogy and Dynastic Marriage in Kyivan Rus” – Dr. Christian Raffensperger
11:00 a.m. Eastern Time

The Ukrainian History and Education Center’s Family History Group – Nashi Predky – announces the lineup for their 2019 Virtual Genealogy Lecture Series. This four-part online-only series features unique opportunities for researchers worldwide.

Interested in Royal Roots? Join Nashi Predky for Dr. Christian Raffensperger’s lecture “Ties of Kinship: Genealogy and Dynastic Marriage in Kyivan Rus” on Saturday, September 14th at 11:00 a.m. ET. Author of “The Kingdom of Rus’ (Past Imperfect)” and “Reimagining Europe: Kievan Rus’ in the Medieval World,” learn more about the dynastic marriages made between the ruling family of Rus’, and the other ruling families of Europe.

Online registration opens February 18th for these virtual presentations.
Visit: <https://www.ukrhec.org/family-history-group>
Join our Facebook Group:
Ukrainian Genealogy: Our Ancestors – Наші Предки
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NashiPredky/>

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11–12 October 2019

POLISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA
41ST ANNUAL GENEALOGY SEMINAR
“POLISH GENEALOGY: THE NEXT GENERATION”
Northern Illinois University (NIU) Center in Hoffman Estates, Illinois

Save the dates! More information will be posted as available here: <https://pgsa.org>.

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9 October 2019

POLISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

Save the date! See the poster on page 17 for more info, or go to <https://pgsm.org>.

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Sunday, 20 October 2019

The Polish Heritage Committee of Northampton, Massachusetts
ANNUAL PULASKI DAY PARADE
Northampton, Massachusetts
12:30 p.m. Eastern Time

The day begins with a memorial Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 99 King Street, Northampton at 11 a.m. That is followed by the parade, starting at 12:30 p.m. The parade proceeds through downtown Northampton and culminates at Pulaski Park. The program at the Park commemorates General Kazimierz Pułaski, Father of the American Cavalry. The PHC would like to extend an invitation to you and/or your organization to march with us in the parade. If you would like further information, contact Angie Fydenkevez at 413-530-0145, email <angelfydo@gmail.com>, or Mary Ellen English at 413-320-9969, email <missmarymae@aol.com>.
Łukasz Bielecki, Ph.D
From Poznań, Poland

Dr. Bielecki is the creator of the online marriage database, the Poznan Project. He is a biochemist, currently working with the Polish Academy of Sciences in the field of Chemistry of Nucleic Acids, as well as serving as principal partner of Discovering Roots in Poland, specializing in genealogical tours.

Presenting
• Accessing Info in Local Parishes, Town Halls or Archives—What You Need to Know
• Visiting the Hometown of Your Ancestors—Is Meeting Cousins Possible?

Linda E. Serna
From California, USA

Ms Serna has been involved with genealogy researching and writing family stories for over 35 years. She worked on the PBS Genealogy Roadshow program for the first season. She is a member of the APG, Genealogical Speakers Guild, Polish Genealogical Society of America as well as past Vice-President of the Orange County, California Genealogical Society.

Presenting:
• Making Sense of Census
• Polonia: Polish Research from the U.S.A.

Saturday, October 19, 2019
9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sign-in Begins at 8:30 am

American Polish Cultural Center—2975 E. Maple Rd. (15 Mile Rd.) at Dequindre Rd -Troy, Michigan 48083
Seminar Includes: four presentations, syllabus, Continental breakfast, Polish lunch, door prizes and vendors

A block of rooms have been reserved at the Troy Courtyard by Marriott - 1525 E Maple Rd, Troy MI 48083
(800)-321-2211 ~ Mention PGSM Room Block when making room reservations
All reservations MUST be made by Friday, September 27, 2019

On-Line or Mail-In Registration
Mail-in & E-Mail registrations must be postmarked/received no later than October 5th, 2019 —No Exceptions

$65.00 - includes electronic syllabus emailed 1 week prior to seminar
$75.00 - printed syllabus will be available at seminar Sign-in desk

The PGSM is a 501©(3) non-profit organization; $35.00 of the Seminar fee is tax deductible
Tuesday, 12 November 2019

The Ukrainian History and Education Center’s Family History Group, Nashi Predky
2019 VIRTUAL GENEALOGY LECTURE SERIES
“Movement Between Towns in Eastern Europe (aka Ancestral Towns May Not Have Been So Ancestral).” – Lara Diamond
7:30 p.m. Eastern Time

The Ukrainian History and Education Center’s Family History Group – Nashi Predky – announces the lineup for their 2019 Virtual Genealogy Lecture Series. This four-part online-only series features unique opportunities for researchers worldwide.

The last session, Tuesday, November 12th at 7:30 p.m. ET, will feature Lara Diamond presenting “Movement Between Towns in Eastern Europe (aka Ancestral Towns May Not Have Been So Ancestral).” Many researchers, once they have discovered the town from which their ancestors left Eastern Europe, assume that their families must have lived in that town or the vicinity for many generations. While this was true for some families, there was significant movement through broad swaths of Europe by many Jews for a variety of reasons. The speaker will demonstrate the breadth of some families’ movements with examples from her own research and will discuss the types of documents used to trace those families’ travels.

Online registration opens February 18th for these virtual presentations.
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*** MORE USEFUL WEB ADDRESSES ***

<http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/Parisville1856>

In a post to Facebook’s Polish Genealogical Society of Michigan group, Charles Chase said, “Today I published a 108-page book which is devoted to the history of Parisville, which is a vital part of the Polish history of Michigan. The book, described in the attached photograph, can be ordered from the LuLu web site shown ... All revenue generated through the sale of this book will go directly to PGSM.” I thought this info deserves to be shared.
A recent issue of *Eastman’s Online Genealogy Newsletter* [EOGN] included this link to a database listing the thousand most common surnames in the United States according to the 2010 census. You can download the list in the form of an Excel spreadsheet at the above URL. I was interested to see Hoffman listed as #227. The last time I remember checking this info, I believe it ranked #252; so I guess we’re moving up ... I was really surprised to see that Nguyen is #41! It ranks ahead of Adams, Nelson, Hall, Mitchell, Carter, etc. I knew Vietnamese immigrants had made this a common name in the U.S. Our twin daughters attended a high school where the list of award-winning students was a virtual sea of Nguyens (with a couple of Hoffmans thrown in for good measure). I had no idea the name was this common, however!

Someone on Facebook (I can’t remember who right now, unfortunately) shared this page that may prove really helpful to researchers dealing with Latin causes of death in Galician death records. The page not only gives you Latin words and English translations, but images of handwritten samples – potentially very helpful! There are some errors, but pretty minor stuff, like reading *Cordiopalmus* as *Cardiopalmus* and *Combusta ignem* instead of *Combusta igne*. If you’re having trouble deciphering a cause of death, give this page a try!

This is a site on the origins of Polish surnames, and I don’t think I’ve mentioned it before. The site belongs to Dr. hab. Alina Naruszewicz-Duchlińska, professor at the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn. From looking over some of the entries, there’s no question in my mind she’s familiar with the research in the field and is qualified to discuss surname origins. The entries are all in Polish, but Google Translate renders many of them decently. Just realize: if the way a translation reads doesn’t make sense to you, the translation is probably wrong.

In Facebook’s Polish Genealogy group, Alicja Morawiec provided a link to a PDF compilation of data by Frederic B. Cyran “about people from the township of Tyczyn and
surrounding areas (including the city of Tyczyn and neighboring villages of Hermanowa, Kielnarowa, Budziwoj, Borek Stary and others) located in the Malopolska region of Poland’s Rzeszow, Lwów, and/or Podkarpackie provinces (formerly in Galicia of the Austro-Hungarian Empire) who emigrated to the USA. The information was taken from many sources like census, cemeteries.” The PDF gives a massive amount of data on people from this area and is probably a gold mine for anyone with roots there. Mr. Cyran says this work, Volume 2, is in the public domain, and is a generalized summary of data about Tyczyn immigrants. You can see if someone is related to persons originating from this area. If so, there is additional data (i.e., Volume 1, which is copyrighted and not publicly accessible) that can be obtained directly from the author.

<http://tinyurl.com/yy7me4j6>

Debbie Greenlee posted a note to the Polish Genius mailing list, saying, “If you are considering or thinking about considering a trip to Poland you might be interested in the magazine, “Travel.lovePoland, through the lens.” She gave this URL and added, “Scroll down and click on the screen to flip through the magazine. There are lots of reasons besides our ancestors to visit the homeland!”

<http://tinyurl.com/y35brsjc>

As I mentioned earlier in this issue, Debbie received the Polish Spirit Award from the Polish Museum of America. She gave this link to a page on the Polish Museum of America’s website, featuring photos from the museum’s annual gala. “See if you can spot me in some of the photos (I’m wearing a blue dress). My husband, son Josh and daughter-in-law Jill are in a couple of the photos (at the table).” There are a couple of really good photos of Debbie. I have to admit, I did not spot her husband, Dave, or her son and daughter-in-law. I’ve met Dave a couple of times and I enjoy talking to him, so I know what he looks like; but somehow I missed the photos with him.

<https://tinyurl.com/y45oebal>

The Polish Genius list also had a discussion earlier this month about the closing of St. Adalbert’s Parish in Chicago. Some members asked what will happen to the sacramental registers, Thomas Mackowiak answered, “When a church in the Archdiocese of Chicago closes and is not merged with another church, all the records go to the Archives of the Archdiocese of Chicago which is located at 711 West Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60661.” He gave a link to the decree closing the parish and explaining some of the details. This TinyURL should take you to a PDF with the decree.

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