

including many Polish Jews.



Henryk Sławik

Insurgent

In 1939, Sławik had already been an experienced social worker and political activist connected, since the days of his early youth, with the Polish Socialist Party (or PPS). Since 1918, he actively fought for Upper Silesia to be rejoined with Poland. During the first Silesian uprising he fought at Pszczyna. Then, among other things, he organised troops and delivered weapons to the Koźle municipality (due to that reason the German militia assaulted him twice).

It was also there, where in August of 1920, during the second Silesian uprising, he took part in military operations. Following the end of the fighting, he engaged in a political campaign before the plebiscite which was to determine whether the region would belong to Poland or Germany. During the third Silesian uprising, Sławik enlisted for the rybnicki regiment. He was then appointed by the Regional Workers' Committee of the PPS in Katowice to work at the Executive Branch of the General Insurgent Authorities, where he served as a liaison officer at the region where the fighting was taking place.

focused on educational and cultural activities among the young miners, metallurgists and other physical workers. By the end of 1922, he became the chairman of the Board of Upper Silesian Youth Labour Union "Strength", and in 1926 a member of the management of the newly created in Warsaw Labour Union of Sports Associations. In July, the following year, he was also a manager of the "Strength's" sport teams at the Second Labour Olympics in Prague.



**Information in the press
regarding the court sentence for
Henryk Sławik Photo: Biblioteka
Śląska**

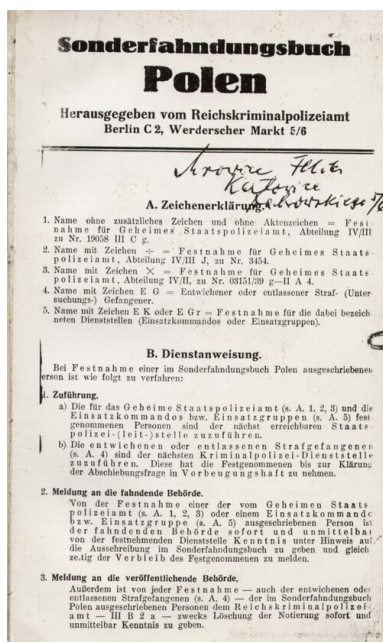
Politician

The crucial time in Henryk's life was the year 1928. Following the May Coup, the PPS in Upper Silesia became divided into the pro-Piłsudski group and the, at first fairly neutral, and later anti-Sanation fraction which was led by the aforementioned editor of the "Workers' Newspaper". After several months of rising party tensions, there was a split in the first half of 1928. Józef Biniszekiewicz, who up to this point had been the leader of the regional branch of the PPS, gathered around him those who supported Piłsudski and created a separate Silesian Socialist Party. Sławik remained in the opposition group which aligned with the views of the rest of the party and, as a result, he was appointed by the national management of the party as the editor-in-chief of the "Workers' Newspaper". He served at this function until the outbreak of the Second World War. Since 1928, he also had a seat in the regional authorities of the PPS (and later in the General Council too). Additionally, he was a councilman of the city of Katowice, a member of the Silesian Province Council and he worked for many organisations and committees helping the poorest.

He indeed wound up on the
Sonderfahndungsbuch Polen prepared by the

Criminal Office of the Nazi Police which was a
Special Wanted Book for Poland.

In the beginning of September 1939 he was forced to leave Upper Silesia. For his engagement in social and political life he could not count on the mercy of the Nazi German repression apparatus, which he was perfectly aware of. He indeed wound up on the Sonderfahndungsbuch Polen prepared by the Criminal Office of the Nazi Police which was a Special Wanted Book for Poland – a list of people who, given their activities or way of life, were to be arrested immediately after the Nazis had entered the country. On September 21st, 1939 Sławik crossed the Polish-Hungarian border, as it turned out, forever. He came over to the Dunabe river as an experienced activist and journalist who, for more than two decades, with extreme dedication and effectiveness worked for the Upper Silesian society.



Special Wanted Book for Poland -
Sonderfahndungsbuch Polen.
From collections IPN Katowice

Skrynecki Stanislaus 23.12.12: 55 Włocławek E G
 Skrynska Bronisława 16.1.02 Głowów E G
 Skrzyperak Heinrich 22.05.08 Ostrowo E G
 Skrzypek Alfred Konstantin ul. Padoleska 20 III J Gestapa Berlin
 Skrzypek Władysław (Wladislaw) III J Gestapa Berlin
 Skrzyplinski (Skryplinski) Wacław (Walter) Arb 27.9.05 Bromberg
 Skrzypletz Stefan Chorow Maciejkowiec III J Gestapa Berlin
 Skrzyperak Edmund 13.10.94 Swarzewitz Danzig
 Skrzyperak Leon 3.10.1 Siedlce E G
 Skrzyperak Stanislaus 8.10.9 Gersche E G
 Skrzyperak Waldislaus Art 6.8.82 Czarnkasa Danzig
 Skrzyperak Piawron Bula III J Gestapa Berlin
 Skrzypiec Jakob Farnowitz Legionow 41 III J Gestapa Berlin
 Skulimowski Bernhard Heiz 25.2.10 Arthurshof
 Skutski Michael 15.7.09 Lemberg Hea
 Skupski Johann Kellner 23.8.89 Thomsdorf Zeppot Pommersee Str 16
 Skutella Konrad Kim 25.1.94 Tharobütte
 Skwara Josef 13.3.04 Orlanowice E G
 Skwierawski Johann Danzig Brühlengasse 14
 Skwierawski Nazimierz Danzig Brühlengasse 14
 Slahon Franz Chudau
 Slabczyński Sigmund 6.7.02 Lublin E G
 Slavak Alfons KriaBea 99 III C z Gestapa Berlin
 Slamina August Gustaw Leska III J Gestapa Berlin
 Slamina Johann Leslan Rynek 15 III J Gestapa Berlin
 Slapa Franz Buch 21.8.04 Bielez
 Slaweck Symon Arb 11.6.10 Olesk E G
 Slawik Henry Redakt Kattowitz Jana 1 MJ Nr 8
 Slawik Henryk Schreffl 4 Robotnica Kattowitz Sw Jana 1 III J Gestapa Berlin
 Slawinski Karl 25.10.03 Minsk
 Slawinski Viktor Kattowitz III J Gestapa Berlin
 Sledzak Martin 27.1.14 E K II III Bromberg
 Sledzianowski Kawer 7.12.94 Karmin E G
 Sledzinski Johann 19.10.14 Schroda E G
 Sledzinski Josef 10.7.00 Mogilno E G
 Sliwa Roman 21.12.04 Sosnowice E G
 Sliwinski Bronow III J Gestapa Berlin
 Sliwinski Ferdinani Dir E Gr IV Warschau
 Sliki SKI Henryk 21.2.86 Gnesen Posen
 Sliwinski Peter 7.1.03 Warschau E G
 Sliwinski Stanislaus 2.7.3.09 Radom E G
 Sliwinski Stefan 21.2.26 Gnesen Danzig
 Sliwka Jakob 21.10.08 Radzyn E G
 Sliwka Johann Pfarrer 31.1.87 Chwałowice E K Rybnik
 Sliwka Prokop 25.2.89 Chwila E G
 Sliwowski Jan (Johann) Reiner 60 J Janowitz
 Sliwowski Henryk 15.7.08 Radziej
 Slobiecki Josef 15.8.08 Bolasz E G
 Siodkowski Stanisław 14.11 III C z Gestapa Berlin
 Siodkowski Zdzisław Miska E Gr IV Warschau
 Siomski Alfons 21.5.08 Karmin Danzig
 Siomkowski Wladislaus Arb 13.3.04 Lipsa E G
 Siomrak Paul Polica Königshütte III J Gestapa Berlin
 Siopa F K 16 III Bromberg
 Siowarek Franz Koster Dirschau
 Siotta August Arb 26.8.88 Chropaczow
 Siowik Wladyslaw E K Lublitz
 Siowinski Alfons 21.5.08 Karmin
 Siowski Felix Maler E K 16 Bromberg
 Siowrak Rudolf Kilmoresien III J Gestapa Berlin
 Siubik Stanislaw E K 2 III Loda
 Siupski Ignaz 1.2.94 Dobrowka E K 16 Graudenz

**Special Wanted Book for Poland -
 Sonderfahndungsbuch Polen.
 From collections IPN Katowice**

[BACK](#)