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By Way of Introduction

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We would like to call your attention to the Polish American Historical Association.

The Association was organized in Chicago in 1942, as part of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America, for the promotion of study and research in the history and social background of Americans of Polish descent. Composed at first of a small group of scholarly enthusiasts, it soon expanded and included in its membership students and teachers in many states. It has had a steady growth for nine years and seeks to interest an even larger audience of scholars and students in its work and aims.

The principal organ of this nationwide Association is the Polish American Studies. This publication, issued twice yearly with the financial aid of the Polish American Congress, is sent free to all members. In addition to scholarly articles and important documents, it contains bibliographical lists, reviews of books, theses and monographs dealing with Polish Americana, and news about the activities of members of the Association. It is a valuable aid to every scholar, teacher, student and nonacademic person interested in Polish American life and history who desires to keep abreast of its progress. Members also receive a special mimeographed Bulletin each month.

The Association holds regular meetings in December in various parts of the country. These meetings, in addition to furnishing an opportunity to read and discuss scholarly papers, enable men and women of similar interests to exchange views and ideas.

Membership is not limited to persons of Polish descent. It is secured through election by the Executive Board, upon nomination by a member, or by direct application. Life membership is one hundred dollars, annual membership three dollars. A provision has been made for student membership at one dollar per year. A student applying for such membership must be certified by his instructor.

HISTORY OF THE POLISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The Polish American Historical Association came into existence during the Second World War. Its origins are closely bound up with the foundation of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America, and may be read in detail in the quarterly *Bulletin of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America* and in the Association's *Polish American Studies*.

After the Nazi invasion of Poland in September 1939, the few Polish scholars who succeeded in reaching France created a center of Polish learning which would assure the continuity of Polish culture. In December, 1939, they inaugurated a Polish University in Exile at Paris, with headquarters in the Polish Library, one of the foreign research centers of the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences. This University continued its work until the German occupation of Paris in June, 1940.

The Polish scholars then banded in London and organized the Association of Polish University Professors and Lecturers; in Edinburg they also opened a Polish Medical School. A group of Polish scholars in New York, at the same time, founded the Kosciuszko Association consisting of a "Committee of Polish Scholars in America." Members of this committee discussed the possibility of establishing a center of Polish scholarly activity in the United States. One of them, Prof. R. Taubenschlag, drew up a memorandum in which he outlined the plan of a Polish Institute. The memorandum was dispatched to the Polish Government in London where it was approved by Prof. S. Kot, the Minister of the Interior.

In the summer of 1941, the Polish Government voted to grant a subsidy for the creation of a Polish center of learning in the United States. The decision was communicated to Ambassador Jan Ciechanowski, with the understanding that the Institute was to be an autonomous academic body, independent of all political interference and based upon the scholarly tradition of the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences in Kraków, Poland. In November of the same year, after sounding out the opinion of several Polish scholars, the Ambassador asked Prof. O. Halecki to organize a committee for the purpose of affecting the realization of the project. Five former members of the Polish Academy joined the committee; they were Professors J. Kucharzewski, W. Lednicki, B. Malinowski, W. Świątosławski and R. Taubenschlag. Dr. S. P. Mierzwa, director of the Kosciuszko Foundation, was the seventh member of the committee.

The organization committee held its first meeting in New York City on December 20, 1941, in connection with the general assembly of the Kosciuszko Association. The meeting drafted the statute of the Institute and drew up the constitution of the Board and the Executive Committee. Prof. O. Halecki was elected director of the Institute and asked to organize the Section of Historical and Political Sciences. Three other sections were similarly projected. The inaugural exercises of the Institute were held in the Pierpont Morgan Library, New York City, on May 15, 1942.

Four months later, on September 11, 1942, the Section of Historical and Political Sciences held its first business meeting. Prof. O. Halecki was unanimously elected chairman for the period from 1942 to 1945. In an extensive

report on the organization of the Section and its projected program of activities, Prof. Halecki proposed (among other things) the creation of a special committee for the study of the history of the Poles in the United States. The proposal was adopted unanimously. It was decided to hold the first meeting of the new committee in November, 1942, in Chicago, Illinois, at the Archives and Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union. Miecislaus Haiman, the Curator of the Museum and the foremost student of Polish Americana was invited to serve as chairman of the committee and to deliver a lecture at the meeting.

On November 29, 1942, the Polish Institute held a Midwest Conference in Chicago, Illinois. The conference lasted several days, and included both private business meetings and public lecture sessions. At the general session, Prof. Halecki spoke on the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America and its purpose and objectives. During the Midwest Conference, the original proposal for the creation of a committee to study Polish American history took more concrete form, developing into the Commission for Research on Polish Immigration. This Commission was to study the history on the Polish group in the United States, its contribution to American life and culture, and its present condition.

The organizational details of the New Commission were discussed on December 2, 1942, in a conference at Chicago between Prof. Halecki, the Director of the Polish Institute, and Miecislaus Haiman, Curator of the Archives and Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union. Curator Haiman agreed to serve as Chairman of the Commission, offering the Museum of the P. R. C. U. in Chicago, as its headquarters. The membership of the Commission was discussed; and it was decided to invite all students of Polish immigration. A plan of publication was also set up. Mr. Haiman's monograph on Kosciuszko in the *American Revolution* was accepted for publication by the Institute. Dr. S. Włoszczewski's study of the number and geographical distribution of the Polish group in the United States was recommended to the Institute. Finally, a program of public lectures to be held in the Chicago Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union was drawn up.

In the evening of the same day, December 2, 1942, the Commission for Research on Polish Immigration held its first public meeting in the Museum. Mr. J. Olejniczak, President of the Polish Roman Catholic Union, presided. Two lectures were delivered. Prof. J. Kucharzewski, President of the Board of the Polish Institute, spoke on "The International Policy of the United States of America Since World War I." Curator M. Haiman spoke on "The Problems of the Polish American History Writing." He said in his introductory statement: "The inauguration of the Commission for Research on Polish Immigration in the United States as a component part of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America and as a link between the Institute and the Archives and Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America is in my opinion, a proper occasion to examine briefly what different national groups in this country are doing in regard to recording their historical past and to preserving their historical and cultural resources, so that, with the help of such a review, we might outline a program for our future work."

Curator Haiman specified three immediate aims for the future work of the Commission: "1. Gathering of documents which form the basis for the work of a historian... 2. Cataloguing is another indispensable work... there is great need for a bibliography of at least printed works on the history of the American Poles... 3. What shall be the subject of our studies? We need biographies of prominent Poles... Monographic histories of different institutions, Polish colonies in different cities, counties, states or parts of the country,

of different waves of Polish immigration." This program was supplemented later by some valuable suggestions made by the members of the Commission and approved by the Institute and became a guide for the activity of the Commission throughout its first year of existence.

The Commission inaugurated so auspiciously, began its work at once. In the winter of 1943, with the cooperation of the Archives and Museum and the Educational Department of the Polish Roman Catholic Union, it organized a series of lectures. They were held in the Museum under the chairmanship of Curator Haiman. On January 20, 1943, Dr. Le Roy H. Fischer of the University of Illinois, lectured on "Adam Gurowski and the American Civil War, A Radical's Record." On February 3, 1943, M. Haiman spoke on "Kosciuszko in the Light of New Researches in American Archives." On February 17, Dr. A. S. Wolanin, archivist of the Polish Roman Catholic Union Archives, lectured on "Polonica in the English Language."

At the same time, first contact with members of the Commission was also established. The first published list of earliest members of the Commission included the following persons: Rev. F. Bolek (Athol Springs, N. Y.) Dr. A. P. Coleman (New York City), Rev. E. J. Dworaczyk (Panna Maria, Texas), Dr. Le Roy H. Fischer (Hoffman, Ill.), E. L. Kowalczyk (Worcester, Mass.), Dr. Maria Krolowna (Pittsburgh, Pa.), A. Nowak Jr. (Bangor, Maine), E. G. Olszyk (Milwaukee, Wis.), Dr. P. Ostafin (Ann Arbor, Mich.), S. M. Liguori CSFN (Worcester Mass.), S. M. Neomisla, CSFN (Washington, D. C.), Rev. J. V. Swastek (Orchard Lake, Mich.), Msgr. A. Syski (Orchard Lake, Mich.), S. Uminski (New York City, N. Y.), Dr. C. H. Wachtl (Philadelphia, Pa.), Dr. S. Wloszczewski (New York City, N. Y.), Dr. A. S. Wolanin (Chicago, Ill.). Mieczslaus Haiman was chairman of the group and its main organizer.

During the first half-year of the Commission's existence, several of the members undertook important research studies and publications. M. Haiman published *Kosciuszko in the American Revolution*; Rev. F. Bolek and S. Uminski prepared a new edition of *Who is Who in Polish America*; S. M. Neomisla CSFN put the finishing touches on her short study of John Tyssowski which was subsequently published as one of the *Annals of the Polish Roman Catholic Union Archives and Museum*; Dr. A. S. Wolanin expanded his work on a catalog of Polonica in the English language; Rev. E. Dworaczyk began the transcription of the earliest records of Panna Maria, the oldest Polish parish in the United States, for publication in the *Annals of the P. R. C. U.* Military service in the U. S. Army interrupted Dr. L. H. Fischer's work on an exhaustive monographic study of Count Adam Gurowski.

In June, 1943, Rev. F. Bolek visited M. Haiman in Chicago and discussed the program of the Commission with him. Father Bolek suggested the organization of small groups for local historical research in Polish Americana. In August, 1943, Dr. C. H. Wachtl of Philadelphia proposed that the Commission hold a special meeting to plan the future work along more concrete lines. Dr. M. Królówna of Pittsburgh seconded this proposal. Curator M. Haiman secured the approval of Prof. O. Halecki for the project, and after sounding out the opinion of the members on the time and place of meeting, drew up a plan for the first meeting of the Commission to be held at the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America at New York City, N. Y., December 29-30, 1943.

The two-day meeting was opened with an address by Prof. O. Halecki, the Director of the Institute. M. Haiman presided as chairman. Prof. T. C. Blegen, Director of the Historical Service Board of the American Historical Association, Washington, D. C., spoke on the topic "What the Norwegian-American Historical Association is doing to Promote Historical Research." In

addition, the following papers were read during the sessions: "Father Kruszk, Pioneer Polish American Historian" by Msgr. A. Syski; "Our Youth and the Polish American Heritage" by Rev. A. Bochenski OFMConv; "What is a Polish American" by Rev. J. Swastek; "The First Essential for Research on Polish Immigration" by A. P. Coleman; "Parish Records as Valuable Materials for a History of American Poles" by S. M. Liguori CSFN. "A Critical Study of Methods of Federal Censuses in Regard to the Polish Group" by S. Wloszczewski; "A Project of a Polish American Encyclopedia, 'The American Pole'" by Rev. F. Bolek; and "Autobiography as a Source for Historical and Sociological Studies on Polish Immigration" by C. Symonolewicz.

During the business session, the following important decisions were taken: to hold the second meeting at SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, Orchard Lake, Mich. in October 1944. Moreover, a board of five members was appointed to consider plans for: (1) financial aid for research and publications (2) publication of a periodical which would cover Polish Americana (3) extension of editorial and financial help to the encyclopedia projected by Rev. S. Bolek. M. Haiman was reelected chairman of the Commission. C. Symonolewicz performed the function of the secretary during the meeting; he later agreed to serve in this capacity throughout the year. Since the business session also disclosed the need of a set of by-laws, the Chairman was asked to appoint a committee to prepare a tentative constitution for the next meeting.

Several immediate results of the first meeting followed. Msgr. E. J. Szumal, Rector of SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, formally invited the Commission on January 7, 1944, to hold its second meeting at Orchard Lake, Mich. A committee on by-laws was organized. It consisted of Rev. A. Bochenski OFM Conv (chairman), Dr. A. S. Wolanin, and H. Haiman. Exchange relations were established with the Norwegian American Historical Association (St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.); copies of publications of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America and of the Archives and Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union were sent to Northfield, while the Commission received thirteen volumes of Norwegian American Studies and Records, which formed the beginning of the Commission's own library.

At the same time, the Commission organized its second series of lectures, with the help of the Educational Department of the Polish Roman Catholic Union in Chicago, Illinois. On January 16, 1944, Rev. F. Bolek lectured on "The Intellectual Movement among American Poles." On February 6, 1944, S. M. Neomisla CSFN lectured on "John Tyssowski." Both lectures were held at the Archives and Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union in Chicago, Illinois.

In the spring of 1944, the Commission received its first monetary subsidy in the form of a \$200.00 grant from the Polish Women's Alliance of America. On May 9, 1944, the Committee on By-Laws held a meeting at the Archives and Museum of the Polish Roman Catholic Union, Chicago, Illinois. The following members were present: Rev. A. Bochenski OFMConv (chairman), Rev. S. Bonikowski OFMConv, Dr. A. S. Wolanin and M. Haiman. The Committee adopted a draft of a constitution for the Commission. Copies were then submitted to members for consideration prior to approval at the next convention.

Other significant developments during the remainder of 1944 were the following. In June, the first Committee on Periodical and Encyclopedia was organized by M. Haiman, as provided by the recommendation of the First Meeting of the Commission in New York City, N. Y. The members of this committee were: Rev. F. Bolek, M. Haiman, S. M. Liguori CSFN, A. Nowak Jr., Dr. C.

ters pertaining to his projected encyclopedia; Mr. Nowak was to act in matters pertaining to the financing and publication of the periodical. In July, the first issue of *Polish American Studies* appeared under the editorship of C. Symonolewicz. It consisted of papers read at the first meeting; its publication was facilitated by monetary grants from the Polish Roman Catholic Union and the Polish Women's Alliance. Last but by no means least, several Sisterhoods became members of the Commission: in addition to the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, the Sisters of St. Joseph, the School Sisters of Notre Dame, the Sisters of the Resurrection, the Felician Sisters, the Franciscan Sisters of Blessed Kunegunda, and the Bernardine Sisters joined the Commission.

The crowning event of 1944, however, was the Second Annual Meeting held at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich., Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28. During the two-day meeting addresses were delivered by Msgr. E. J. Szumal, President of St. Mary's, Prof. O. Halecki, Director of the Polish Institute, and M. Haiman, chairman of the Commission. The following papers were read during the sessions: "Rev. V. Buhaczkowski, Founder of the Polish Educational Institutions at Orchard Lake" by Rev. A. Maksimik; "The Ideal Cultural Link between the United States and Poland" by S. M. Liguori CSFN; "The Pedagogical Value of Research of Polish Immigration" by Rev. A. M. Bochenski OFMConv; "Sienkiewicz and the Poles in America" by S. M. Nobilis SSND; "The Polish Press in Wisconsin" by Rev. S. Bonikowski OFM Conv; "What are the Elements of the Polish American Story?" by Helen Busyn; "Fifty Years on American Soil — The Story of the Bernardine Sisters" by S. M. Zygmunt CSB; "The Polish Immigrant in Detroit to 1914" by S. M. Remigia, Fel; "Polish Travelers in the U. S. in the 19th Century" by Rev. J. V. Swastek; "Polish Travelers in the U. S. in the 20th Century" by C. Symonolewicz; and "Towns and Villages with Polish Names in the U. S." by Rev. F. Bolek.

During the business session, the assembly adopted the constitution prepared by the Committee on By-laws and set the annual dues at \$2.00. The name of the Commission for Research on Polish Immigration was changed to the Polish American Historical Commission. A new executive council was elected, consisting of M. Haiman (chairman), C. Symonolewicz (secretary); Rev. J. Swastek (treasurer); Rev. A. Bochenski OFMConv (councillor) and S. M. Charitina Fel (councillor). A board of editors was chosen to supervise publication of the Commission's journal *Polish American Studies*; it consisted of M. Haiman (chairman); C. Symonolewicz (managing editor); and Rev. J. Swastek (associate editor.) The assembly also approved two motions: one authorizing the Executive Council to issue an appeal to the Polish American Congress for financial aid in the publication of the Commission's researches and studies; the other calling for the meeting of the next convention at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich.

The appeal to the Polish American Congress was successful. In November 1944, Charles Rozmarek, President of the Polish American Congress, advised Chairman Haiman that the Executive Committee of the Congress had acted favorably on the request of the Commission for a \$1,000 subsidy. This was the second notable donation received by the Commission for its scholarly publications. One immediate result of the new grant was the decision to publish two issues of the *Studies* in 1945 — a plan that has been followed to date. To facilitate this work two new members were added to the board of editors: Rev. F. Masiak OFM and Rev. S. Bonikowski OFMConv. The printing of the *Studies* was entrusted to the Franciscan Fathers of Pulaski, Wisconsin.

The following year, 1945, brought the end of the Second World War. It was also a harbinger of increasing success for the Commission. The year

brought the Commission its first two perpetual (\$100) memberships: from the Franciscan Fathers (OFM) of Pulaski, Wis., and from Rev. Edward Kubiak of Montreal, Wis. The Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph joined the organization. Five members of the Commission published works on Polish Americana: Rev. E. Dworaczyk (*Church Records of Panna Maria, Texas*), Dr. C. H. Wachtl (*Polonia Amerykańska*), Dr. A. S. Wolanin (*Polonica in English*), Dr. S. Wloszczewski (*History of Polish American Culture*), and S. M. Remigia Fel (*The Polish Immigrant in Detroit to 1914*). Rev. J. Swastek inaugurated a course in Polish American history at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Michigan, the first course of its kind in this country.

The unexpected deterioration of the railroad situation in December, 1945, caused the postponement of the third annual meeting from December, 1945 to June, 1946. During the six-month interval, C. Symonolewicz resigned as managing editor of *Polish American Studies* and Rev. J. V. Swastek was appointed in his stead. Finally, on June 18-19, 1946, the Third Annual Meeting of the Commission was held at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich. The opening address was delivered by Msgr. E. J. Szumal, president of the College. The following papers were read and discussed. "A Pioneer in Catholic Education in the U. S." by S. M. Neomis CSFN; "A Critical Examination of Father Kruszk's 'Historia Polska w Ameryce'" by Rev. J. Swastek; "America in the Polish Novel" by S. M. Andrea SSND; "The Poles in Luzerne County, Pa." by S. M. Accursia CSB; "Beginning of the School Sisters of Notre Dame among Polish Immigrants in America" by S. M. Nobilis SSND; "Mother Mary Frances Siedliska in America" by S. M. Liguori CSFN; "Felician Sisters and Social Service in Western New York and Ontario, Canada" by S. M. Angela Fel; "The Writings of the Felician Sisters in the United States" by S. M. Charitina Fel; "The Writings of the Sisters of the Holy Family in the United States" by S. M. Assumptia CSFN; "The Polish American Encyclopedia" by Rev. F. Bolek; "The Linguistic Problems of Polish Americans" by Rev. V. Jasinski; "A Course of Instruction About Polish Americans" by S. Wloszczewski; and "The Preservation of the Polish Spirit in Polish American Families" by H. Skowronska.

The business section voted the Commission's first honorary membership to Prof. O. Halecki, Director of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America and initiator of the Commission idea. M. Haiman was reelected chairman, Rev. S. Zielinski OFMConv, secretary; Prof. S. Piwowarski, treasurer. S. M. Liliosa CSFN and Hanna Skowronska councillors; the editorial board was appointed to consist of Rev. J. Swastek, editor, and Rev. S. Bonikowski OFMConv, Rev. F. Masiak OFM, and M. Haiman associate editors. The membership fee was raised to \$3.00 per year. In connection with the general meeting, there was a special session devoted to "Polish American Encyclopedia." Rev. F. Bolek, the sponsor, presided. A committee was appointed to assist Father Bolek in the project; it consisted of Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM (vice-chairman); S. M. Vlodimira Fel (secretary); S. M. Edwina FSSJ; S. M. Liguori CSFN; S. M. Andrea SSND; S. M. Fidelia SSSJ, and M. Haiman.

Notable incidents in the Commission's development during the remainder of 1946 include the following: M. Haiman completed *Kosciuszko — Leader and Exile*; Dr. V. Sklodowski started courses on Sienkiewicz and Kosciuszko at De Paul University in Chicago; S. M. Edwina FSSJ, published in collaboration with Dr. A. P. Coleman *A Basic English-Polish Vocabulary*; Rev. J. Swastek read a paper on "The Contribution of SS. Cyril and Methodius to European Civilization" at the 27th annual meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association in New York City; and last but not least, Msgr. J. M. Lange of Chicago, Ill. became the third perpetual member of the Commission.

Throughout 1947 the membership of the Commission continued to grow, exceeding the 300 mark. Scholarly activities were also fostered by members, Dr. Irene Piotrowska wrote *The Art of Poland*. Most important, the Executive Council of the Polish American Congress at its meeting in Washington, D. C., on February 12-14, 1947 voted the Commission a second grant of \$1,000 for the publication of *Polish American Studies*. Charles Rozmarek, President of the Congress, in recommending the grant, pointed out that the Polish American Congress had always cooperated with the Polish American Historical Commission by supporting its scholarly pursuits.

The crowning achievement of the year was the Fourth Annual Meeting held in Chicago, Ill., December 30-31, 1947, under the patronage of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America and the Sisters of Nazareth at Holy Family Academy. Among the speakers were Prof. Florian Znaniecki of the University of Illinois and Dr. Paul M. Angle, Director of the Chicago Historical Society. The following papers were read at the historical sessions: "The First Polish Book Printed in the U. S. and its Author" by S. M. Liguori CSFN; "The History of St. John Kanty College of Philadelphia, Pa." by S. M. Accursia CSB; "Agnes Nering" by S. M. Liliosa CSFN; "The Contribution of St. Stanislaus Parish B M, Cleveland Ohio, to World War II," by Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM; "The History of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph" by S. M. Edwina FSSJ; "Poles in Minnesota" by S. M. Teresa FCL; "Poles in Passaic, N. J." by S. M. Gaudentia Fel; "Development of Cultural Activities in Polish American Communities" by T. Slesinski; "Polish American Problems" by Rev. V. Jasinski.

The officers elected to the Executive Board were: M. Haiman (chairman); Rev. S. Zielinski OFMConv (secretary); Prof. A. Piwowarski (treasurer); S. Beatrice CR and Prof. A. Sokolnicki (councillors). Rev. J. Swastek was re-appointed editor, while Rev. S. Bonikowski OFMConv, Rev. F. Masiak OFM and M. Haiman were reappointed associate editors of *Polish American Studies*. At a special meeting of the Polish American Encyclopedia Committee, the following officers were elected: Rev. F. Bolek (chairman); Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM (vice-chairman); S. M. Vlodymira Fel. (secretary); and M. Haiman (treasurer). Other members of the Encyclopedia Committee included Rev. S. Wysoczynski, Rev. F. Masiak OFM, S. M. Liguori CSFN, S. M. Fidelia SSJ, S. M. Andrea SSND, S. M. Blanche CSB, S. Beatrice CR, S. M. Mechtilde Fel, and S. M. Edwina FSSJ.

During 1948 the printing of *Polish American Studies* was undertaken by Skarb Rodzinny Press of the Vincentian Fathers in Erie, Pa. The Commission became a member of the American Historical Association and the American Catholic Historical Association in accord with the decision of the Fourth Annual Meeting. M. Haiman finished his last work *Zjednoczenie Polskie Rzymsko Katolickie w Ameryce 1873-1948*. Rev. F. Bolek wrote *The Polish American School System*. Rev. V. Jasinski delivered a series of weekly lectures in Detroit on the "Disintergration of the Polish American Community according to Thomas and Znaniecki." Most important, on November 13, 1948 the Executive Council of the Polish American Congress, headed by Charles Rozmarek voted the Commission a third grant of \$3,000 for the publication of *Polish American Studies*.

The Fifth Annual Meeting was convened as a special tribute to M. Haiman who was unable to attend because of illness. The meeting was held in Chicago, Illinois, December 28-29, 1948, at Holy Trinity High School. Rev. S. Gruza CSC of Holy Trinity Parish delivered the address of welcome. The following papers were read: "A Historical Review of Polish American Catechisms" by Rev. A. Tymczak; "A Review of Polish Language Studies in the U. S." by Bro.

Roman Witowski CSC; "Remedial Speech Among Polish Americans in Milwaukee" by Prof. A. Sokolnicki; "Peter Kiolbassa — Polish American" by Helen Busyn; "A Soldier — Sculptor, Henry Dmochowski Saunders" by S. M. Liguori CSFN; "Rev. J. Zyburaj;" A Philosophical Impetus to New-Scholasticism" by Rev. F. Zdrodowski; "Father Francis Dzierozynski: A report on His Papers at Woidstock College" by Rev. F. Domanski, SJ; "The Polish Immigrant in the Polish Community 1880-1930" by S. Lucille CR; "The Catholic Church and the Polish Immigrant" by Rev. M. J. Madaj; "Societies as a Contributing Factor to the Growth of St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish, Chicago, Ill." by S. M. Andrea SSND; "Five-Year Labors of the Felician Sisters among Polish Refugee Children in Mexico" by S. M. D'Arc Fel; "The Problem of Social Disintergration according to Thomas and Znaniecki and its Value to Students of Polish American Life" by Rev. V. Jasinski.

At the business session, the following officers were elected for 1949: Rev. J. Swastek (president); Rev. S. Wysoczynski (vice-president); Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM (secretary); T. Slesinski (treasurer). The members of the advisory Council were selected to include Msgr. S. Sierakowski, Rev. S. Zielinski OFMConv, Bro. Roman Witowski CSC, S. M. Amandine Fel, S. M. Accursia Bern, S. M. Amata SSJ, S. M. Edwina FSSJ, Prof. E. Ordon, Wanda Baron, and Helen Busyn. Two noteworthy changes were made in the by-laws: the number of officers was increased to fifteen, while the official title of the organization was modified to read: Polish American Historical Association. Under the new designation, the Association which started its activities as a special commission of the Polish Institute's section of Historical Sciences, became an autonomous National Society, affiliated with the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America.

Early in 1949, the Association suffered its most grievous loss through the death of its founder and first president, Miecislaus Haiman, who died on January 15 in Chicago, Illinois, after a long illness. As a memorial to Curator Haiman, the Association began to assemble a collection of his correspondence which has grown with the years. Fr. Bolek continued his work on the Encyclopedia, as Msgr. S. Sierakowski took M. Haiman's place as treasurer of the Committee. The Polanie Club of Minneapolis-St. Paul became the fourth perpetual member of the Association. Miss Wanda Baron of Chicago, Ill. became the fifth perpetual member in September, 1949.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Association was held in Buffalo, N. Y., at the Villa Maria Academy of the Felician Sisters, December 27-29, 1949. The Polish Arts Club of Buffalo cooperated with the Felician Sisters in preparing the meeting. Bishop Joseph Burke, Suffragan of the Buffalo diocese, opened the meeting with a Pontifical Mass and a brief address. Rev. S. F. Lisewski CSC, of Chicago, Ill., preached the occasional sermon. Special addresses were delivered by A. Janta, J. Aszkler and H. Osinski. The following papers were read during the historical sessions: "Seventy-Five years of Felician Activity in America" by S. M. Amandine Fel; "Polish Women in the Civil War" by S. M. Liguori CSFN; "Rev. Joseph Dabrowski — Educator" by S. M. Edwina OP; "Sigmund Stojowski and American Music" by J. Staniewicz; "Peter Kiolbassa in American Politics" by H. Busyn; "Rt. Rev. John Pitass: Buffalo Pioneer" by Rev. S. Wysoczynski; "Fifty Years' Progress of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Resurrection in America" by S. Beatrice CR; "Polish American Integration" by Rev. F. Bolek; "The Problem of the Nature of the American of Polish Descent" by Rev. V. Jasinski; "Research Techniques in Polish American Folklore" by H. Pawlowska; "Polish Folkways in America" by H. S. Zand; "The Poles in Sioux City, Iowa" by Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM.

At the close of the first session, which was dedicated to the Diamond Jubilee of the Felician Sisters in America, an inscribed scroll was presented to the Felician Sisters as a token of the Association's esteem. During the business session, the following officers were elected for 1950: Rev. J. Swastek, president; Bro. Roman Witowski CSC, vice-president; Sister M. Liguori CSFN, II vice-president; Edmund Ordon, III vice-president; Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM, secretary; Rev. J. Gabalski, treasurer; S. M. Blanche CSB, editorial secretary. The assembly also elected six members to the Advisory Council: Msgr. S. Sierakowski, S. M. Amandine Fel, S. M. Amata SSJ, S. M. Edwine OP, and S. Sobolewski. Six additional members were selected by the Executive Board: Prof. A. Sokolnicki, Dr. A. Wolanin, T. Slesinski, W. Baron, H. Busyn, and I. Mikuszewska.

Four changes were made in the by-laws of the Association: St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Michigan, was officially designated as the headquarters of the Polish American Historical Association; the number of officers was increased; funds accruing from life-memberships were frozen in a separate account; provision was made for student memberships. At the Encyclopedia session, it was decided that Rev. F. Bolek and Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM, should share the editorial direction of and responsibility for the Polish American Encyclopedia.

The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Association was held on December 27-28, 1950, at the Nazareth Academy of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, Torresdale Philadelphia, Pa. Holy Mass was celebrated by Rt. Rev. Msgr. C. Ławniczak, Pastor of St. John Cantius Church, Philadelphia, and the sermon was preached by Rev. F. S. Pałeczki, Pastor of St. Adalbert's Church, Philadelphia, Pa. During the opening session, as a tribute to the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth on the occasion of their Diamond Anniversary, the Association presented a congratulatory resolution to the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. At the luncheon conference, Rev. H. Nolan of LaSalle College spoke on "Fields of Study in American Catholic History for Polish Americans," while Mrs. M. M. Coleman of Alliance College spoke on "The Challenge and Opportunity of the Polish American Theme." In addition, the following papers were read at the meeting: "Seventy-Five Years of Religious Growth" by S. M. Liguori, CSFN; "The Poles in Philadelphia to 1914" by S. M. Theodosette CSFN; "The Poles in Blossburg, Pennsylvania" by S. M. Accursia CSB; "Polish Operatic Activities in America" by S. M. Elzearia Fel; "Rev. Joseph Dabrowski and the American Catholic School System" by S. M. Benedicta Fel; "Survey of Polish American Theological Writing" by Rev. F. Zdrodowski; "The Polish Community in Erie, Pa. — A Research Report" by H. S. Zand; "A Tentative Historical Outline of the Polonia" by Rev. V. Jasinski; and "The Future Status of the Polish American Historical Association" by Rev. F. Bolek.

During the business session, the following officers were elected for 1951: Rev. J. Swastek, president; Bro. Roman Witowski CSC, vice-president; S. M. Liguori CSFN, II vice-president; Mrs. Helen Zand, III vice-president; Rev. S. Bonikowski OFMConv, general secretary; and S. M. Blanche CSB, editorial secretary. The assembly also elected six members to the Advisory Council; Rev. P. J. Klekotka, Rev. F. Domanski SJ, S. M. Amandine Fel, S. M. Accursia CSB, I. Mikuszewska, and Dr. A. Wolanin. The Executive Board selected six additional councillors: Msgr. S. Sierakowski, Rev. L. Siekaniec OFM, Mother M. Neomisia CSFN, S. M. Vlodymira Fel, S. Beatrice CR, and Mrs. M. M. Coleman. The assembly also approved these amendments to the by-laws: that the editorial secretary be a member of the Executive Board; that the Executive

Officers be selected only from among members attending the general meeting; that the Executive Board has the right to make changes in the printed program of the general meeting when circumstances warrant such changes; that the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association be printed in every fourth issue of *Polish American Studies*, beginning in 1951.

Last but by no means least, the Seventh Meeting brought the Association another perpetual member in the corporate person of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, through the instance of Mother M. Neomisia CSFN. This increased the number of perpetual members to six. In June 1951, Dr. Anthony S. Mallek of Pittsburgh, Pa., increased this total to seven perpetual members — one for each annual meeting of the Polish American Historical Association to date.

Such, in brief outline, is the historical sketch of the Polish American Historical Association from 1942 to 1951. During those nine years of war and postwar turmoil, the Association established itself solidly and grew slowly but surely. It developed its program of scholarly research and writing of Polish American history. The fifteen numbers of *Polish American Studies* constitute a contribution to historical knowledge in America, in so far as they contain articles based on original research in primary sources or information which is the result of Polish scholarship presented in English for the first time.

Today perhaps more than at any previous time, there is need for impartial and expert analyses of the contribution made by Polish Americans to the richly textured pattern of American life. This present need, coupled with the achievements of the last nine years, encourages the Polish American Historical Association to face the future with the conviction that its activities have won a lasting place in the academic and scholarly life of the United States of America.

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MEETINGS OF THE POLISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

- 1943: December 29-30 Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America,
..... New York City, N. Y.
- 1944: October 27-28 St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich.
- 1946: June 18-19 St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Mich.
- 1947: December 30-31 P. R. C. Union & Holy Family Academy, Chicago, Ill.
- 1948: December 28-29 Holy Trinity High School, Chicago, Ill.
- 1949: December 28-29 Villa Maria Academy, Buffalo, N. Y.
- 1950: December 27-28 Nazareth Academy, Torresdale, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 1951: December 27-28 Polish Women's Alliance of America, Chicago, Ill.



THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW
OF THE
POLISH AMERICAN
HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

(NOTE: The Constitution and By-Laws found below are nothing more than a general revision and up to date compilation of all additions and changes made in the Constitution since its adoption in the first days of the Association. This revision is being printed here for your convenience and study. Please bring this copy with you to the Business Session at which the adoption of a new Constitution will be discussed.)

ARTICLE I — Name and Headquarters

This organization (founded December 1, 1942 as the Polish American Historical Commission of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America) shall be known as the Polish American Historical Association, an autonomous, non profit, non political, academic body, with headquarters at St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Michigan.

ARTICLE II — Purpose and Means

Section 1. — The purpose of the Association is the promotion of study and research in the history and social background of the Polish group in America.

Section 2. — The specific means by which the purpose is to be obtained are: (a) gathering of documents pertaining to the life and activities of the Polish group in America; (b) cataloguing of printed works and manuscript material dealing with the history of the Polish Americans; (c) research activity in the field of biography, history, economics, statistics, etc. of the Polish group in the U. S. A.; (d) publishing an organ to be known as the POLISH AMERICAN STUDIES, devoted to Polish American history, literature and culture; by obtaining through subsidies, bequests, gifts, membership contributions, or by other means, the funds required for the carrying out of the aforesaid purpose.

ARTICLE III — Members

Section 1. — Membership is open to all who are interested professionally or otherwise in research work and the study of Polish life and history in America.

Section 2. — Membership is secured through election by the Executive Board upon nomination or by direct application subject to the approval of the Executive Board.

Section 3. — Membership is not limited to persons of Polish extraction.

Section 4. — The Association is composed of life, annual and honorary members.

Section 5. — Religious Orders, libraries and educational institutions may become members as a group upon payment of membership fee.

Section 6. — Honorary membership shall be conferred by the Executive Board on rare occasions upon persons of great merit and distinction, and upon those who have made exceptional contributions to the existence and progress of the Association.

ARTICLE IV — Officers

Section 1. — Elected — The President, three Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Editorial Secretary, and six members of the Advisory Board shall be the elected officers of the Association.

Section 2. — Appointed — Six members of the Advisory Board of Editors shall be the appointed officers of the Association.

ARTICLE V — The Executive Board

The President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and the Editorial Secretary shall constitute the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI — The Advisory Council

The Advisory Council shall consist of twelve members, six elected at the annual meeting by the general assembly, and six appointed by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII — The Board of Editors

Section 1. — The Board of Editors shall consist of a managing editor and associate editors, appointed by the Executive Board.

Section 2. — The president of the Association is, ex officio, a member of the Board of Editors.

ARTICLE VIII — Election and Appointment of Officers

Section 1. — Elections — (a) The President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, and six members of the Advisory Council, shall be elected by the members assembled at the annual meeting.

(b) A simple majority of votes, either by ballot or by voice, shall decide an election.

(c) The tenure of office of all elected officials shall be one year, and any officer may be reelected to successive terms.

(d) The officers-elect shall take office immediately after their election.

Section 2. — Appointments — (a) Six members of the Advisory Council shall be appointed to office by the Executive Board.

(b) The Executive Board shall appoint a Board of Editors consisting of a managing editor and associate editors.

(d) The tenure of office for the Board of Editors shall be three years.

(e) Upon the accepted resignation of any officer of the Association, or upon the death of any officer, the Executive Board shall appoint a successor, whose appointment will terminate at the following annual meeting.

ARTICLE IX — Authority and Government

The authority and government of the Association shall be vested in the annual and special meetings of the Association. In the interim between the general conclaves, the authority and government of the Association shall be vested in the Executive Board.

ARTICLE X — Meetings

Section 1. — One general meeting shall be held each year at a time and place designated by the Executive Board.

Section 3. — The Executive Board shall meet in session immediately after the close of the business meeting at the annual convention.

Section 4. — Special meetings of the Executive Board outside of the annual convention may be called at the President's discretion, or by written request to the President of a majority of the Executive Board. In the latter case such special meetings must be called by the President within thirty days of the date of request.

ARTICLE XI — Voting

Each member, either individual or group, shall be entitled to cast one vote.

ARTICLE XII — Quorum

Section 1. — Neither a simple numerical majority (in respect to the grand total enrollment) of members, nor any specified minimum percentage of the total membership of the Association is necessary for the transaction of business at the annual meeting.

Section 2. — A representation of a majority of members comprising the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XIII — Finances

Section 1. — Each Life member shall pay at least one hundred dollars either in specified payments or by lump sum, into the treasury of the Association.

Section 2. — Each Annual member shall pay three dollars per annum.

Section 3. — The annual dues follow the calendar year, beginning with January and ending with December, regardless of the specific period of application for membership. The member, however, is entitled to all issues of the POLISH AMERICAN STUDIES for that year.

ARTICLE XIV — Amendment

No amendments to the Constitution shall be made except at the annual meeting, and by a two thirds majority of the members present and voting.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I — Members

Section 1. — Besides the Life, Annual, and Honorary memberships, there shall be a special student membership, on a High School and College level, available to qualified candidates at the special fee of one dollar per annum.

Section 2. — A member in arrears with dues will be automatically dropped from the rolls after a final notice, so specified, has been sent to him.

ARTICLE II — Officers

Section 1. — The tenure of all officers, elected or appointed, shall be for one year, or, if the annual convention be delayed, until such a time when the general assembly shall be convoked.

ARTICLE III — Election of Officers

Section 1. — All candidates for elective office must be present at the election meeting of the annual convention.

Section 2. — The candidates for the elective offices shall be selected by a nominating Committee. Additional nominations for any office may be made from the floor.

ARTICLE IV — Duties of Officers

Section 1. — The President:

(a) shall preside at all meetings of the Association and Executive Board.

(b) shall call special meetings of the Executive Board when he deems so necessary, or when requested to do so by the majority of the Executive Board.

(c) shall sign all official documents of the Association.

(d) shall submit questions in referendum to members of the Executive Board.

(e) shall perform such other duties as are usually attached to the office of President.

(f) shall appoint a Nominating Committee on the first day of the annual convention.

Section 2. — The Vice Presidents:

(a) shall preside at all meetings of the Association and the Executive Board in the absence of the President, according to rank: first, second, third; the Association and the Executive Board in the absence of the President, according to rank: first, second, third;

(b) shall assist the President, by voice and vote, in the general business of the Association;

(c) shall take part in the meetings of the Executive Board;

(d) shall take part in all referendums of the Executive Board.

Section 3. — The Secretary:

(a) shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Association and of the Executive Board meetings;

(b) shall submit a report of the general meeting to the assembly convened at the annual meeting;

(c) shall keep a record of the enrollment of the Association;

(d) shall issue and sign all official documents and notices of the Association and perform such other duties as are usually attached to the office of Secretary.

Section 4. — The Treasurer:

(a) shall collect the dues from the members and all other monies of the Association; and all other monies of the Association;

(b) shall deposit the funds of the Association in a recognized depository and shall disburse these funds by check signed by the officials designated by the Executive Board;

(c) shall keep a record of all monies received and disbursed;

(d) shall pay all budgetary obligations when they become due;

(e) shall submit a report of the financial condition of the Association to the members in general assembly, and, when so requested, to the meetings of the Executive Board.

Section 5. — The Editorial Secretary:

(a) shall mimeograph the POLISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL BULLETIN, and send it to all members.

Section 6. — The Executive Board:

(a) shall have general management of affairs;

(b) shall approve or reject applications for membership;

(c) shall dismiss any member for conduct detrimental to the best interests of the Association;

- (d) shall confer honorary memberships;
- (e) shall designate officers empowered to sign checks;
- (f) shall appoint members to the Advisory Council and to the Board of Editors, and shall appoint members to fill any vacancy among the officers, the Advisory Council or Board of Editors, caused by resignation or death;
- (g) shall authorize the publication of POLISH AMERICAN STUDIES and other publications of the Association, and set the price thereof;
- (h) shall provide for the solution of important and impending questions in referendum to all the members of the Association;
- (i) shall designate the time and place of the next annual meeting;
- (j) shall report at the annual meeting to the general assembly, for approval or rejection, all decisions taken by it during the interim between meetings, and not specifically covered by the Constitution or by-laws, providing that these decisions are still in force.

Section 7. — The Advisory Council:

(a) shall upon request and in an advisory capacity assist the Executive Board in any matter relating to the general welfare of the Association.

Section 8. — The Board of Editors:

(a) shall edit and publish all publications of the Association previously authorized by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V — Finances

Section 1. — All monies accepted for life membership shall be deposited in a bank and frozen, the interest thereof to be used for current expenses of the Association.

ARTICLE VI — Meetings

Section 1. — The annual meeting shall consist of the following principal functions:

- (a) general sessions consisting of (I) address by the President; (II) address by invited guests; (III) reading of papers in which both languages, English and Polish, have equal rights, and all topics are open to discussion;
- (b) business sessions consisting of (I) report on the activities of the Association by the President and/or the Secretary; (II) reports of the Treasurer, Board of Editors, and of other special committees; (III) election of officers; (IV) unfinished business; (V) new business;
- (c) meeting of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII — Amendments

Section 1. — No amendments to these By-Laws shall be made except at the annual meeting and by a simple majority of the members present and voting.

Section 2. — A Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws shall be appointed by the President on the first day of the annual meeting. The Committee shall make its report at the Business Session.

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9:30 A. M. — PONTIFICAL MASS
Holy Trinity Church

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Auxiliary of Milwaukee, celebrant

Very Rev. Stanislaus Fiołek, C. R.
Provincial Resurrection Fathers, sermon

11:00 A. M. — OPENING SESSION
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Rev. J. V. Swastek, President, P. A. H. A.

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12:15 P. M. — LUNCHEON SESSION
Jane Palczynski, Chicago, presiding

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Charles Rozmarek, President P. N. A. and P. A. C.

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Prof. A. Sokolnicki, Marquette University

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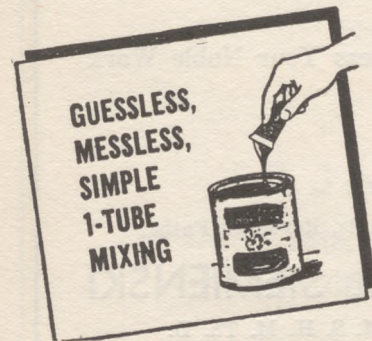
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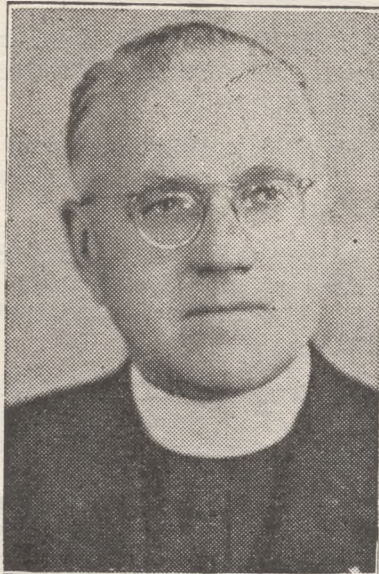
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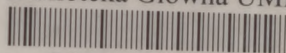
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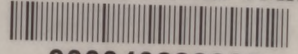
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