

AWNER (AWNERÓWNA) Estera (1892-1942), teacher.

In 1916, she completed pedagogical courses organised by the Częstochowa branch of *Tow. Opieki Szkolnej* [Society for the Care of Schools]. She was listed as a teacher in Częstochowa (together with Abram Awner) in a document dated 7th November 1918. In the 1930s, she taught at Primary School No. 13 and, at the end of the 1930s, she was a teacher and principal at the Girls' Supplementary School of the Jewish Craftsmen's Union (at ul. Przemysłowa 10). In November 1938, she was awarded a medal for her many years of fruitful work in education.

During the German occupation, she was forced to live within the Częstochowa ghetto. In the summer of 1942, she intentionally left the ghetto area so that she would be shot by the Germans.

Awner never established a family.

Walczak, *Ludzie nauki i nauczyciele*, p. 173 (biographical note, here: Awnerówna); Grządzielski, *Z problemów opieki i kształcenia*, pp. 52, 56, 59; Brener, *Widersztand*, p. 71. – "Dziennik Częstochowski" 1916 (13 VII), p. 3; "Częstochower Cajtung" 1938, No. 46, p. 5. - "Szkolnictwo w Częstochowie 1939–1941" (a manuscript in the collection of the Częstochowa Museum Library). - APCz, Mag Cz 5012.

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