

Berl (Bolek) Gewercman

He was born in Częstochowa in 1914, the son of the haberdashery merchant Jankiel Gewercman. For many years, he was active in the movement and in the League for a Working Land of Israel.

During the “Big Ghetto” period, he was active in the illegal pioneering movement. When the “Small Ghetto” was established, he became one of the leaders of the *kibbutz* of the underground armed combat organisation. He organised and led the Częstochowa partisan group in the Koniecpol woods, distinguishing himself in an entire array of successful operations against the Nazi foes by disrupting German transports.

He belongs amongst the few individuals who survived. Following the defeat of the Nazi forces, he broke away from Diaspora life and journeyed to the Land of Israel, where he is an active combatant in the ranks of the “*Haganah*” national Jewish Combat Organisation.



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