

Dr Arnold Bram

In the years of his youth, as a medical student, Bram displayed capabilities for social work in the national arena, spreading the idea of Zionism.

He studied in Russia and Germany, until attaining the title of Doctor of Medicine and practising his profession. He worked tirelessly in the field of Zionism and was elected chairman of the organisation [in Częstochowa], a position which he held for many years. He delivered lectures to the party's circles and also, in general, to political circles in the larger masses.

Dr Arnold Bram was elected as a councillor, representing of the Zionist bloc, on the City Council. He ended up leading a tenacious struggle against the contemporary *Endecja*-led Town Hall. More than once, he was vigorously attacked and received threatening letters before his polemic speeches.

Dr Bram stood on guard for Jewish interests and, when the Jewish shops were picketed by members of *Endecja*, he intervened with the appropriate authorities. He also did much in the cultural field, introducing the *OyNEG Shabbes* parties in the Zionist Organisation, which had a large attendance.

Dr Bram perished along with Dr Gajsler in Katyn¹.

¹ [TN: We have found no mention of this in other historical sources; as is the case with Dr Gajsler, it is only certain that he was murdered by the Nazis.]