

MARKOWICZ Roman Abram (1884– after 1945), industrialist, community activist. He was born on 13th January 1884 in Częstochowa, the son of Mošek Berek and Małka née Miętkiewicz.

Together with → Mieczysław Markowicz and → Zygmunt Markowicz, he was co-owner of *Gnaszyńska Manufaktura SA*. In the second half of the 1930s, he sat on the board of the Częstochowa District Industrialists Association. In the second half of the 1920s, he was a member of the Supervisory Board and Management Board of the Industrialists and Merchants Bank in Częstochowa, as well as the board of Health Fund.

He was involved in communal activities. In 1923, during “Stamp Day” organised by the local branch of the “Auxilium Academicum Judaicum” Committee to Aid Jewish Students, he donated a wagonload of bricks towards the construction of the Jewish Academic House in Warsaw.

In 1926, together with Z. Markowicz, he organised an entertainment hall (at II Aleja 26) for the Częstochowa “Warta” Sports Club. In 1927, on the list of the Independent Jewish Intelligentsia, he stood for election to the Częstochowa City Council – without success. In 1930, he was a member of the audit committee of the Society for the Building and Operation of Theatre in Częstochowa. From 1937, he was a board member of the Committee for the Construction of a Jewish Gimnazjum in Częstochowa.

He survived World War II.

His wife was Regina née Markowicz (2nd January 1886 Częstochowa - after 1945), the daughter of Mordka and Sura née Flatau, sister of → Mieczysław Markowicz and → Zygmunt Markowicz. Their children were:

- Bolesław (1910-), engineer who, in 1939, lived at II Aleja 35 in Częstochowa. He was married to Bronisława (1918–1943), the daughter of → Szmul Niemirowski;
- Lucjan (1914-);
- Mirosława (1923-).

All the children survived the occupation.

Paszkowski, *Budynek Żydowskiego Gimnazjum*, p. 166. – “Częstochower Cajtung” 1939, No. 2, p. 1; “Express Częstochowski” 1930, No. 123, p. 2; “Głos Wolności” 1923, No. 6, p. 3; “Nowy Express Częstochowski” 1926, No. 282, p. 3, 1927, No. 70, p. 4; “Ostatnie Wiadomości Częstochowskie” 1934, No. 64, p. 6. – *Rocznik polskiego przemysłu i handlu 1936*, No. 27; *Sprawozdanie Towarzystwa Przemysłowców Okręgu Częstochowskiego za 1935/36*, p. 23. –

APCz, AmCz 5412, p. 228. – materials (incl. extracts from civil registers) in the ODDC collections.

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