

ROZENOWICZ Bronisław (1906–1991), gynaecologist, Częstochowa hospital director, member of the National Municipal Council, social activist, humanist. He was born on 7th September 1906 in Częstochowa, the son of → Michał and Felicja née Markowicz (1882-1941).

Rozenowicz graduated from the H. Sienkiewicz State Gimnazjum in Częstochowa. After matriculating in 1926, he left for Italy, where he studied medicine at universities in Bologna and Naples. He gained his medical diploma at the University of Bologna. In January 1933, he received his doctorate in medicine from Naples University.

From February 1933 until August 1934, he worked as a voluntary assistant at the Naples University Clinic. After returning to Częstochowa, he also worked as a volunteer (1934-1936) in the hospital of the “Dobroczyńność” Charitable Society for Jews and in the outpatient clinic of the same hospital and, in 1935-1938, in the Public Municipal General Hospital. In 1936, he passed the recognition examinations at the Medical Faculty of Poznań University.

From September 1939 to December 1940, he headed the Medical Aid Centre in Łódź. Later, he was a volunteer doctor at the Public Municipal General Hospital in Częstochowa. From June 1940 to September 1941, he worked as deputy head of the “Dobroczyńność” Charitable Society for Jews Hospital. Later, until February 1942, he was department head in the Jewish Hospital in Biała Podlaska.

After returning to Częstochowa, he lived in the ghetto (at ul. Katedralna 7) and, from September 1942, he worked in the Labour Camp Hospital and outpatient clinic. During this period, he belonged to Jewish Self-Help and the Jewish Municipal Welfare Committee. In February 1943, he got out of the ghetto and hid in Częstochowa, in the apartment of Sylwester Klimczyk, on ul. Olsztyńska.

From January 1945, he worked in Częstochowa as deputy head of a department of the Public Municipal General Hospital. In 1949, he was entrusted with the duties of head of the Municipal Obstetrics and Gynaecology Hospital (on ul. Kordeckiego). In 1951-1952, he became vice-director and, in 1953-1954, director of the Municipal Hospital (in Zawodzie, on ul. św. Barbary and on ul. Kordeckiego). Following the re-organisation and separation of Częstochowa hospitals, in 1955, he became director of the M. Curie-Skłodowska Hospital. In 1955-1959, he was a lecturer and tutor at the State Midwives School.

He was elected four times to the Municipal National Council (MRN). He served as a councillor in 1952-1961. He was a member of the work and social welfare committee, vice-chairman and then chairman of the health committee. From 1958, he was an obstetrics inspector on behalf of the Department of Health and Social Welfare.

In 1973, he resigned from his position at the T. Chałubiński Municipal Hospital, where he headed the Gynaecology and Obstetrics Department. Until 1974, he was a doctor at the Provincial Industrial Clinic in Katowice, based in Częstochowa. Later, until 1980, he was a doctor at the Academic Clinic, belonging to Health Care Group No. 5. Rozenowicz was chairman of the Gynaecology-Midwifery Section of the Częstochowa Medical Association.

He was an expert in the area of arts and crafts (eastern rugs, paintings). As an expert, he was appointed to a commission by the "Desa" State Enterprise.

He died on 12th October 1991 in Częstochowa and was buried in the Orthodox part of the Kule cemetery (left section, row V, grave 4.)

Rozenowicz's wife was Jadwiga Dziadek, a nurse at the W. Biegański Hospital, from 1966, a teacher and later, also vice-director of the Częstochowa Medical Schools Group.

Sętowski, *Cmentarz Kule*, pp. 258-259. – *Na szali życia* (A. Stoszek), p. 187 (photograph), 192, 194 (photograph), 195. – "Życie Częstochowy" 1954, No. 254, p. 6, 1958, No. 5, p. 8, No. 222, p. 4, No. 280, p. 6, No. 281, p. 6. – Information about his wife, Jadwiga Dziadek of Częstochowa, as well as documents and a photograph in her possession; copy of her gravestone inscription.

Juliusz Sętowski