

TENENBAUM Bernard Berek (1896-1943), doctor, soldier in the Polish-Bolshevik War. He was born on 30th May 1896 in Częstochowa, the son of Efroim and Itla née Wajskopf. The Tenenbaum family lived in Częstochowa at ul. Dojazd 13 (ul. Piłsudskiego).

In 1914, he attended the State Boys' Gimnazjum in Częstochowa. From 1915, he studied at the No.1 Polish Gimnazjum and later at the Wincent Szedejka Boys' Gimnazjum. There, on 19th June 1917, he received his matriculation certificate. At the end of 1918, he was declared unfit for military service by a medical commission and began studying in the Medical Faculty of the University of Warsaw.

From October 1918, he represented Częstochowa academic youth studying at the University of Warsaw. From January to October 1919, selflessly, he ran the secretariat of the "Samopomoc" Co-operative (Jewish students from Częstochowa) at the Jewish *Resursa Rzemieślnicza* in Częstochowa.

In 1920, as a volunteer, he joined the Polish Army. He served as a rifleman in the 1st Battalion of the Podhale Rifle Regiment. In November 1920, he was granted indefinite leave and returned to his studies.

He graduated from the Medical Faculty of the University on 21st March 1927 and received his medical diploma on 31st May 1928. He specialised in internal medicine. In the first half of the 1930s, he practised medicine in Koniecpol and, from the mid 1930sm in Częstochowa (he lived at pl. Daszyńskiego 6). From the end of 1935, for the County Labour Fund Committee and together with other doctors, he provided the unemployed with free medical care.

During the German occupation, with his wife, Tenenbaum lived at ul. Warszawska 1 and, in the "Small Ghetto", at ul. Mostowa 9. He and his wife were murdered by the Germans on 20th March 1943 in the mass execution of Jewish intellectuals at the Częstochowa Jewish Cemetery. He and his wife are named in the inscription on grave No. 28–31 III).

His wife was Zofia Jacheta née Wilczyńska (10th January 1898 Częstochowa - 1943 Częstochowa), the daughter of Icek and Jentla née Rajchman, the sister of → Anszel, → Henryk and → Hilary Wilczyńska, a doctor who graduated in 1930 from the Warsaw University and who, from the beginning of the 1930s, practised as a gynaecologist and obstetrician in Częstochowa. (Her surgery was located at ul. Piłsudskiego 13 and, from 1934, at przy pl. Daszyńskiego 6.)

Gliński, *Słownik lekarzy i farmaceutów*, vol. III, p. 373 (also re: wife); Wyględowski, *Almanach lekarzy*, p. 350. – “Częstochower Cajtung” 1934, No. 8, p. 1; “Goniec Częstochowski” 1917, No. 144, p. 2, 1918, No. 210, p. 3, 1935, No. 298, p. 6. – APCz, Starostwo Powiatowe Częstochowskie IV/803, k. 33 (list of doctors in the Częstochowa County in 1932; info. Here re: wife). – Materials (extracts from civil registers) from the ODDC collections.

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