

ŻARNOWIECKI Jakub Icchak (1887-1942), trader, trade union and political activist. He was born on 15th May 1887 in Częstochowa, the son of Moszek Wiktor and Rywka née Jakubowicz.

He belonged to the Zionist Socialists organisation. During World War I, he participated in the creation of the Popular Bakery (Piekarnia Popularna), as well as an educational association for Jewish workers, a workers' kitchen and the I. L. Percec Orphanage.

He co-founded trade unions including, in 1920, the Metal Industry Workers Trade Union, as well as the Central Council of Trade Unions in Częstochowa. In 1920, he served as secretary of its Council, serving with, among others, → Rafał Federman and → Józef Aronowicz. In 1921, he stood for election to the board of the Commercial Workers Trade Union. He was active in cultural life. In 1914-1918, he belonged to the amateur theatrical group Supporters of Theatrical Art.

During the German occupation, he was arrested in June 1940 during "Operation AB". He was held in the German prison in Zawodzie in Częstochowa and was later transferred to the Sachsenhausen-Oranienburg concentration camp. He presumably died there on 2nd May 1942.

His wife was Dwojra née Szacher (24th June 1892 Częstochowa-), the daughter of Wolf Jakub and Carka née Działoszyńska.

Mizgalski, *Tożsamość polityczna*, p. 146; Pietrzykowski, *Hitlerowcy w Częstochowie*, pp. 246, 263; the same in *W obliczu śmierci*, p. 65; Sobalski, *Związki zawodowe, stowarzyszenia*, pp. 131, 132. – Materials (extracts from civil registers) in ODDC collections.

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