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AN ATLAS AND GENEALOGY

While in my Junior year (Sept. 1976 - June 1977) at St. Joseph's Central High School in Pittsfield, I served as a library aide under the supervision of Sister Jean Bostley, S.S.J. When my tasks and homework were completed one Autumn day, I saw the National Geographic Atlas and perused through it. I came across a detailed map of Poland and was able to locate key locations of my grandparents' places of origin. An atlas is a helpful tool when working on one's genealogy.

I have located my grandparent's names on ship passenger lists. My paternal grandfather, Felix F. Maciora, arrived in New York, NY on March 26, 1899 and my paternal grandmother, Victoria (Zysk) Maciora, arrived in New York on Dec. 23, 1902. My maternal grandfather, Ignatius M. Mik, arrived in New York, NY on Dec. 28, 1906 and my maternal grandmother arrived in New York on Nov. 8, 1905. Both pairs of grandparents were married in Connecticut where they first met and grew to know their respective spouses. The below listed locations are where my grandparents were born in Poland:

Paternal side: Grandpa: Charubin, Turosl, Lomza
Grandma: Bandysie (z), Myszynie, Ostroleka

Maternal side: Grandpa: Wisniowa, Ropczyce, Rzeszow - *parafia Nockowa*
Grandma: Rozanka, Strzyzow, Rzeszow

I identified the Roman Catholic Church's dioceses where my ancestors were included in parish records and through my cousin's requests to the priest for me and my letters to several diocesan archivists this is the information I have been able to obtain:

Please see charts on following page.

Through perseverance, patience and an atlas I managed to reconstruct my family history. Best wishes to all in their endeavors.

Written: July 19, 1982

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Editor's Note: Joe is a 23-year-old college student attending Central Connecticut State College in New Britain, CT. He is an avid genealogist and has travelled to Poland (July 10 to August 7, 1980) to see the land of his ancestors. There will be many articles from Joe's "digging".

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Jan Mik

b. 6 Apr. 1854
m. 17 Nov. 1880
d. 21 Oct. 1922

Ignatius M. Mik

b. 7 Oct. 1887
m. 15 Oct. 1907
d. 2 Sept. 1956

Teresa Medrygal

b. 19 Jan. 1863
d. 21 Dec. 1936

Mother:

Mary A. Mik

b. 17 Nov. 1921
Meriden,
New Haven Co.
CT
m. 22 April 1946

Jozef Bykowski

b. 25 Nov. 1849
m. 9 Mar. 1886
d. 30 Sept. 1916

Helen E. Bykowski

b. 29 May 1887
d. 26 Sept. 1957

Anna Cierpial

b. 13 Oct. 1865
d. 7 Nov. 1893

Maternal Line

Tomasz Mik

b. 25 Nov. 1824
m. 29 Oct. 1849
d. 27 Jan. 1900

Katarzyna Drelich

b. 16 Nov. 1833
d. 30 Apr. 1917

Jozef Medrygal

b. 1834
m. 23 Nov. 1859
d. 1895

Katarzyna Ciolkosz

b. 12 Oct. 1824
d.

Kazimierz Bykowski

b. 1820
m. 13 Nov. 1843
d. 16 Apr. 1883

Tekla Dedor

b. 1818
d. 7 Dec. 1877

Kazimierz Cierpial

b. 11 Feb. 1837
m. 12 Oct. 1857
d.

Marja Gruszczynska

b. 27 July 1841
d.

Wojciech Mik

b. 22 Mar. 1796
m. 19 Nov. 1821
d. 25 Feb. 1849
Marianna Szeliga
b. 2 Dec. 1798
d. 29 Dec. 1826

Jakub Drelich

b.
m. ca. 1830
d.

Katarzyna Salamon

b.
d.

Sebastian Medrygal

b.
m. ca. 1830
d.

Marianna Biela

b.
d.

Wawrzyniec Ciolkosz

b.
m. ca. 1821
d.

Rozalia Paško

b. 3 Sept. 1798
d.

Jakub Bykowski

b. 1790
m. 1815
d. 1865

Franciszka

Wojnarowska

b.
d.

Tomasz Dedor

b.
m. ca. 1815
d.

Marianna Szymanska

b.
d.

Kasper Cierpial

b. 1800
m. 1820
d. 1870

Anna Saletnik

b.
d.

Jozef Gruszczynski

b. 1820
m. ca. 1838
d. 1875

Magdalena Wilusz

b.
d.

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Jozef Maciora
b. 1794
m. 1820
d. 1870

Jozef Maciora
b. 2 Aug. 1836
m. 1860
d. Apr. 1915

Felix F. Maciora
b. 18 May 1878
m. 13 Sept. 1904
d. 12 Dec. 1952

Marianna Plona
b.
d.

Zuzanna Lenkiewicz
b.
d. 1904

Father:

Joseph G. Maciora
b. 18 Aug. 1921
Middletown, . .
Middlesex Co.
CT.
m. 22 April 1946

Jozef Zysk
b. 1845
m. 1875
d.

Victoria Zysk
b. 1885
d. 19 July 1940

Maria Biegaj
b.
d.

Paternal Line

Continuation of Maternal Line:

Wojciech Mik
Marcin Mik
1763 - ?
m. 29 Oct. 1787
Anna Zuczek
1764 - ?

Anna Saletnik
Blazej Saletnik
1770 - 1840
?

Marianna Szeliga
Michal Szeliga

Magdalena Wilusz
Stanislaw Wilusz
1785 - 1855

Apolonia Goles

?

Diecezja

Kościół parafialny

SW. Męczeństwa św. Praxedus

w Nockowa

Lat 1787

1. Rok i nr księgi zaślubionych
(Annus et numerus libri copulatum)

Rok 1787 - tom I, str. 3, Nr 107/108

2. Imię, nazwisko, wyznanie i zamieszkanie narzeczonego
(Cognomen, nomen, religio, domicilium sponsi)

Marcin Mik
Nockowa

3. Dzień i miejsce urodzenia narzeczonego
(Dies et locus nativitatis sponsi)

lat 24

4. Imię, nazwisko, wyznanie i zamieszkanie narzeczonej
(Cognomen, nomen, religio, domicilium sponsae)

Anna Zmerek
Nockowa

5. Dzień i miejsce urodzenia narzeczonej
(Dies et locus nativitatis sponsae)

lat 23

6. Gdzie i kiedy małżeństwo zostało zawarte
(Matrimonium contractum est loco et die)

Nockowa - 29-X-1787 r.

7. Świadkowie ślubu
(Testes contracti matrim.)

Marin Wisznowski - Marcin Zmerek
Benedikt Mateusz Prochmalicki

Zgodność z księgą zaślubionych stwierdzam
(Concordat cum libro copulatum)

Nockowa

dnia 5-X-1787
(die)

15 78

M. Kapimier
Proboszcz - Parochus



ŚWIADECTWO ŚLUBU

(Testimonium matrimonii contracti)

Dioecesis *Tarnob*

Ecclesia paroecialis

s. *Meluchis*

in *Nockowa*

GENERATION I

Feliks Faustyn (Felix Faustinus) Maciora was born in the village of Charubin, district of Turośl, present day province of Łomża, Poland then under Russian rule on 18 May 1878. He was baptized on 30 May 1878 on the feast day of St. Felix, Pope and Martyr, at Kosciół Parafialny Świętego Jana Chrzciciela (St. John the Baptist R. C. Church) in Turośl. He died in Meriden, New Haven Co., CT, USA on 12 December 1952, aged 74 years old and was buried in the first lot near his wife in the three lot plot in St. Mary's R. C. Cemetery, New Britain, Hartford Co., CT, USA on Monday, December 15, 1952. He was the son of Józef (Joseph) (b. 2 Aug., 1836,- d. April, 1915, mar. c., 1860) and Zuzanna (Susanna) d. 1904 (Lenkiewicz) Maciora and was one of six children. Feliks was the grandson of Józef (b.c. 1794-d.c.1870) and Marianna (Plona) Maciora and some unknown others.

He married, 13 September 1904 at New Britain, Hartford Co., Ct, USA Miss Wiktoria (Victoria) Zysk, daughter of Józef and Maria (Biegaj) Zysk and was one of five children. The marriage took place at Sacred Heart of Jesus R. C. Church by Rev. Franciszek (Francis) Wegrzynowski. Teofil (Theophil) Ciemniwski and Marianna Niksa served as witnesses. Wiktoria was born in the village of Bandysie, district of Myszyniec, present day province of Ostrołęka, Poland then under Russian rule on April 20, 1885. She arrived in the United States on December 23, 1902 at New York, NY. After a hard working life and devotion to her family Grandma Victoria died in New Britain, Hartford Co., CT, USA on 19 July 1940 and was buried on 22 July 1940 in St. Mary's R. C. Cemetery, New Britain, Hartford Co., CT, USA.

He married a second time to Mrs. Rozalia (Rose) (Kobus) Murzyn Borkowski, a widow, at Holy Cross R. C. Church in New Britain, CT by the Rev. Stephen Bartkowski. There were no children. The date was January 21, 1942.

From approximately 1890 until 1899 Grandpa worked on farms in Lithuania and in German factories and his family's farm. The Russification policy of 1863 allowed him only a first grade education as the Poles did not want to become like the Russians. He went to a secret school that the parish organist was responsible for and was taught by the strict man and did not go further.

On March 14, 1899 Feliks Maciora and Kazimierz (Casimir) Rusik boarded the SS Bonn in Bremen, Germany and departed from there the same day for their journey to America to avoid conscription into the despised Czar's army upon turning 21 years old and had to serve 20 years. Both men landed at the Port of New York on March 27, 1899 with \$13.00 between them. They began their new life in America by living with Julian Maciora, Feliks' brother, at 51 Center St., New Britain, CT where they worked as laborers in local factories. He was a farmer and locker maker.

Felix F. and Victoria (Zysk) Maciora lived in Torrington, New Britain, Southington, New Britain, Middletown, and New Britain, CT. The Felix Maciora family resettled in New Britain on August 25, 1921 and lived there until June, 1952. He then went to live with his daughter, Mrs. Henry G. (Mary V.) Rakowski in Meriden, CT because of ill health and died there.

The children of Felix F. and Victoria (Zysk) Maciora were:

1. Mary (Maria) Victoria b. in Torrington, CT, 27 Nov., 1905 married Henry G. Rakowski on 27 Nov. 1924 in Meriden, CT Uncle Henry died on 24 October 1981.
2. Johanna Rose (Janina Rozalia) b. in New Britain, CT

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Ignacy Michał (Ignatius Michael) Mik was born in the village of Wiśniowa, district of Ropczyce, present day province of Rzeszów, Poland then under Austrian rule, on 7 October 1887. He was baptized on 9 Oct. 1887 at Kosciół Parafialny Świętego Michała (St. Michael the Archangel R. C. Church) in Nockowa. He died in Meriden, New Haven Co., CT, USA on 2 September 1956, aged 68 years old and was interned 5 Sept. 1956 in St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, R. C. Cemetery in Meriden, New Haven Co., CT, USA. He was the son of Jan (John) (b. 6 Apr. 1854-d. 21 Oct. 1922, marr. 17 Nov. 1880) and Teresa (b. 19 Jan. 1863-d. 21 Dec. 1936)(Mędrvgał) Mik and was one of eight children. His paternal ancestry is as follows, his grandparents were: Tomasz (Thomas) (b. 25 Nov. 1824-d. 27 Jan. 1900, marr. 29 Oct. 1849) and Katarzyna (b. 16 Nov. 1833 in Wiercancy, Dębica, Tarnów, -d. 30 Apr. 1917) (Drelich) Mik. Ignacy's great grandparents were: Wojciech (Adalbert) (b.22 March 1796 in Nockowa, Rzeszów - d. 25 Feb. 1849 in Wiśniowa, Ropczyce, Rzeszów, marr. 19 Nov. 1821) and Marianna (b. 2 Dec. 1798 in Wiśniowa, Ropczyce, Rzeszów, d. 29 Dec. 1826 in Wiśniowa) (Szeliga) Mik, also Jakub and Katarzyna (Salamon) Drelich.

His great, great grandparents were:

Marcin (Martin) (b. 1763 marr. 29 Oct 1787 in Nockowa) and Anna (B. 1864) (Zuczek) Mik and Michał and Apolonia (Goles) Szeliga. His maternal grandparents were:

Józef and Katarzyna (Ciołkosz) Mędrygał. Four maternal great grandparents were: Sebestjan and Marianna (Biała) Mędrygał. Wawrzyniec (Lawrence) and Rozalia (Paśko) Ciołkosz. All of the aforementioned were farmers in occupation.

He married, 15 Oct. 1907 at Meriden, New Haven Co., CT, USA Miss Helena Elzbieta (Helen Elizabeth) By (u)kowski, dau. of Józef (b. 25 Nov. 1849- d. 30 Sept. 1916 marr. 9 Mar. 1886) and Anna (b. 13 Oct. 1865-d. 7 Nov.1893) (Cierpiał) Bykowski and was one of two children. Helen had six half siblings. The marriage of my maternal grandparents took place at St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, R.C. Church and was preformed by Rev. Jan (John) L. Ceppa. Antoni By(u)kowski and Anna Zajchowska served as witnesses. Helena was born in the village of Różanka, district of Strzyżów, present day province of Rzeszów, Poland then under Austrian rule also called Galicia on 29 May 1887. She arrived in the United States on 8 Nov. 1905 at New York, NY, age 18. After devoting her life to her family and religion Grandma Helen died in Meriden, New Haven Co., CT, USA on 26 September 1957 and was buried on 29 Sept. 1957 in St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, R.C. Cemetery, Meriden, New Haven Co., CT, USA. Her paternal ancestry is as follows, her grandparents were: Kazimierz (b.c. 1820-d. 16 April 1883 marr. 13 Nov.1843) and Tekla (b.c. 1818-d. 7 Dec. 1877)(Dędor) Bykowski. Helena's great grandparents were: Jakub (James) (b. 1790), a zagrodnik, or cottager, marr. 1819 and Franciszka (Wojnarowska) Bykowski, also Tomasz and Marianna (Szymańska) Dędor. Tomasz Dędor was a zagrodnik, too. The first male Bykowski came to Różanka in 1716 from unknown whereabouts, this information per an interview with half great uncle Jan Bukowski in Różanka in 1980. Her maternal ancestry is as follows: Helena's grandparents were: Kazimierz (Casimir) (b. 11 Feb. 1837 in Niewodna, Strzyżów, Rzeszów, Poland-d.c. 1906 marr. 12 Oct 1857) and Maria (b.27 July 1841 in Niewodna-d.c. 1880) (Gruszczyńska (i)) Cierpiał. Her great grandparents were: Kasper (b.c. 1800 marr. c. 1820) and Anna (Saletnik) Cierpiał, and Józef (b. 1810 marr. c. 1830) and Magdalena (Wilusz) Gruszczyński. Her great, great grandfathers were: Błażej (Blaise) (b.c. 1770) Saletnik and Stanisław (Stanislaus) (b.c. 1785-d.c. 1855) Wilusz.

All baptisms, marriages and burials for the Bykowski and Cierpiał families and the other families in that line took place at Kosciół Parafialny Święty Annv (St. Anna R.C. Church) in Niewodna, Strzyżów, Rzeszów, Poland. Grandma

Helena was baptized there on 30 May 1887.

Grandpa I.M. Mik worked on his family's farm in Wiśniowa and spoke of two gray horses there. He received approximately a third grade education. Grandma L. E. (Bykowski) Mik was a typical girl in the village and was fortunate to go to sixth grade as there was a school in Różanka. She was intelligent, quiet and a conscientious mother and Roman Catholic.

On Oct. 27, 1905 Helena Bykowski and her friend Jan Lasowski boarded the SS Moltke in Hamburg, Germany and departed the same day for their journey to America as more room was needed in her home. Both landed at the port of New York on 8 Nov. 1905 with \$29.00 between them. Their sponsor was Helen's uncle, Jędrzej (Andrew called John Andrew in US) Bykowski who lived at 283 Pratt St., Meriden, CT. She worked in a pen point factory and then got married. Jędrzej By(u)kowski was Jan's stepfather and his name got changed and that is why there are different spellings of Bykowski. In America it became Bukowski and in 1946 the Polish government made the family change it to Bukowski for uniformity but the proper historical spelling and the surname on the documents is with a y.

Dec. 16 1906 is when Ignacy M. Mik and Leon Pająk, his friend boarded the SS Cassel in Bremen, Germany and sailed for the USA the same day, arriving on Dec. 28, 1906 at the port of New York with \$24.00 between them. There was more opportunity in the USA than in Europe and that was the reason for their coming to America. They began their life with Ignacy's uncle, Wojciech (Adalbert) called George, in US. They lived at 535 North Colony St., Meriden, CT and then Ignacy moved to 283 Pratt St., Meriden, CT and courted and married Helena on 15 Oct. 1907. He was a buffer at Miller Brass Co., in Meriden, Ct. Both Ignacy and Helena Mik were members of the St. Casimir Society that provided insurance to its members and also the Third Order of St. Francis which was a Catholic society for lay people who tried to live according to the teachings of Christ and St. Francis of Assisi. This was very popular in the time period which is being explored.

Ignatius M. and Helen E. (By(u)kowski) Mik lived in three houses in Meriden, CT and settled at 106 Arch St., Meriden, CT in 1914 and this was where my mother was born. After lives filled with joys and sorrows they entered into eternal rest and are buried in the soil of their new homeland in Meriden, CT, USA.

The children of Ignatius M. and Helen E. (By(u)kowski) Mik:

1. John (Jan) Joseph b. in Meriden, CT 3 Oct. 1909 marr. Bernice A. Stefanowicz on 4 June 1934 at Middletown, CT. Uncle John died on 12 May 1975 in Meriden, CT and buried in St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr R.C. Cemetery, Meriden, CT.
2. Theresa (Teresa) Elizabeth b. in Meriden, CT 2 Mar. 1911 marr. Walter J. Dembiczak on 15 June 1940 at Meriden, CT. Uncle Walter died on 14 March 1976 in Meriden, CT.
3. Magdałen (called Margaret) Mary b. in Meriden, CT. 14 Aug. 1912 marr. Anthony J. Massaro on 2 July 1936 at Meriden, CT. Uncle Tony died on 29 July 1969 in Meriden, CT.
4. Katherine (Katarzyna) Mary b. in Meriden, CT 5 or 28 Mar 1914 marr. Louis S. Astramowicz on 26 Aug., 1939 at Meriden, CT. Uncle Louie died on 30 Mar. 1975 in Newington, CT.
5. Rose (Rozalia) Mary b. in Meriden, CT 22 Feb. 1916 marr. Edward S. Slisz on 20 Aug. 1945 at Meriden, CT.
6. Pessie (Ozesława) b. in Meriden, CT 9 Sept. 1917 d. 6 May 1918 in Meriden CT. Buried at Sacred Heart of Jesus R.C. Cemetery, Meriden, CT.

Maciora Family

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Port abroad from which left for United States	Port of entry into United States	Date of entry
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