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# **ABSTRACTS OF ARCHIVE PUBLICATIONS**

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BONENFANT, PAUL, Die Archive Belgiens (The archival establishments of Belgium). A.Z. 42/43: 1-27 (1934).

In this article the Archiviste de Vassistance publique, chargé de cours à l'Université at Brussels gives a brief history and description of the following: Archives générales du Royaume, Archives de la Guerre, Archives du Département des Affaires Étrangères, archives de l'état dans les provinces, archives des établissements publics, archives des institutions privées, archives communales, and a few of the more important family archives. An introduction and 150 bibliographical notes provide a full guide to the literature in this field.

GÜTHLING, WILHELM, Das französische Archivwesen (French archive economy). A. Z. 42/43:28-51 (1934).

Dr. Güthling, of Berlin-Dahlem, contrasts the condition of French archives under the ancient régime, when they were held in more than 6,000 independent establishments, with the centralization which accompanied the Revolution. The development of the present highly centralized system of archival administration is sketched. The introduction of the principle of provenance and the extent of its actual application are treated at length.

WEIBULL, CARL GUSTAF, Archivordnungsprinzipien. Geschichtlicher Überblick und Neuorientierung (Principles of archival arrangement: A historical survey and a new orientation). A.Z. 42/43: 52-80 (1934).

The chief archivist of the provincial archives of Lund, Sweden, describes briefly the various principles of arrangement that have been used in the past. The body of the article traces the introduction of the principle of provenance into the French archives, its modification in German practice, its introduction into Sweden, and its most consistent application by the Dutch archivists. Although the author strongly favors the general application of this principle, he suggests, in his new orientation, that the records of some government departments be grouped under general subject headings corresponding to the various functions of the department. For this deviation he is reprimanded by the editor in a supplementary statement (pp. 68-70).

BÜNGER, FRITZ, Archivalien des Klosters Plötzky an der Alten Elbe (Archives of the Plötzky monastery on the Old Elbe River). A.Z. 42/43: 73-80 (1934).

After describing briefly this thirteenth century foundation, the Professor Licentatius at Charlottenburg lists ninety documents supposedly originating there.

STOLTZ, OTTO, Archiv und Registraturwesen oberösterreichischen (tirolischschwäbischen) Regierung im 16. Jahrhundert (Sixteenth century archive economy and record-keeping systems in Upper Austria, Tyrol and Swabia). A.Z. 42/43: 81-136 (1934).

This article by the Vorstand des Landesregierungsarchiv at Innsbruck describes the early government of Upper Austria and its system of keeping records. Appendixes contain the official regulations issued regarding the production, arrangement and preservation of the various types of records. WALTER, FRIEDRICH, Die sogenannten Gedenkbücher des Wiener Hofkammerarchives (The so-called *Gedenkbücher* of the exchequer archives of the Vienna court). A.Z. 42/43: 137-158 (1934).

A detailed account of the 518 volumes of protocols made by the exchequer at Vienna, 1498-1749. The author, *Staatsarchivar* at Vienna, considers these volumes very important historical sources.

GROSS, LOTHAR, Zur Geschichte des Archivschutzes in Österreich (On the history of archival protection in Austria). A.Z. 42/43: 159-182 (1934).

The Oberstaatsarchivar am Haus-, Hof- und Staatsarchiv, Vienna, describes the ways in which the Austrian archives have been preserved. Prior to 1870 the protection of records was intrusted to private institutions. Between that year and 1920 the government became increasingly active in the matter. In the latter year a central archival administration was set up which controls all records of historical and public value, even those in private archives.

VOLLMER, BERNHARD, Die Fürsorge für die nichtstaatlichen Archive durch das Staatsarchiv Düsseldorf (The care of non-governmental archives through the state archives at Düsseldorf). A.Z. 42/43: 183-211 (1934).

The *Staatsarchivdirektor* at Düsseldorf explains the work of his establishment in encouraging the preservation of municipal, communal, ecclesiastical, parochial, and private records. The work is done by the owners with the advice of a special board set up under official auspices.

BARTHEL, LUDWIG FRIEDRICH, Die Lage das bayerischen Gemeindearchivwesens (The situation with regard to archive economy in the Bavarian village communities). A.Z. 42/43: 212-229 (1934).

The Staatsarchivrat of Munich shows by means of a table the progressive improvement in the archival conditions in the villages of Bavaria. The improvement has been accomplished by expert inspection and arrangement of the local records in the localities themselves and in some cases by their transfer to the state archives. Much has been done by special appeals in the newspapers to mayors, clerks, teachers, and ministers. A number of special courses in archival science were arranged for the benefit of local custodians of records.

SOLLEDER, FRIDOLIN, Die Reichswirtschaftskarte 1917-1923 und ihre archivalische Bedeutung (The economic census of the Reich for the years 1917-1923 and its archival significance). A.Z. 42/43: 230-241 (1934).

A plea by a *Staatsarchivrat* of Munich for the continuation of this census on the ground that it provides a record of every productive agricultural unit in the country.

PREGLER, HANS, Neuere Aktenaussonderungsvorschriften (New regulations concerning the sifting of records). A.Z. 42/43: 242-259 (1934).

Another Staatsarchivrat of Munich discusses the national regulations (1931) and the state regulations of Bavaria (1932) and Thuringia (1925) for the preservation, sifting, and use of archival material. He welcomes the uniformity aimed at in these provisions but deplores the fact that they were not extended to cover the local governments. He also calls attention to the tendency to permit the various departments to decide which records they shall forward to the archives.

MEISNER, HEINRICH OTTO, Archivarische Berufssprache (Archival terminology). A.Z. 42/43: 260-280 (1934).

Staatsarchivrat Meisner, of Berlin-Dahlem, comments on the ten theses put forward for adoption by German archival conferences by a committee of experts. The purpose of the committee is to establish a more uniform terminology in the archival field for German-speaking peoples. The various theses deal with every aspect of archive economy.

KIEWNING, HANS, Das Lippische Landesarchiv in Detmold (The provincial archives of Lippe at Detmold). A.Z. 42/43: 281-321 (1934).

The Direktor des Landesarchivs i. R., Detmold, presents a history of his establishment. Its great age (700 years) is emphasized.

BOCK, FRIEDRICH, Fälschungen von Hofmarksprivilegien Ludwig des Bayern (Forgeries of Louis the Bavarian's *Hofmarksprivilegien*). A.Z. 42/43: 322-337 (1934).

The Sekretär des Preussichen Historischen Instituts, Rome, shows how four forged documents have misled historians in estimating the personality of Emperor Louis IV. The documents in question deal with privileges granted certain monasteries in the fifteenth century.

STEPHAN, WALTER, Das deutsch-danische Abkommen über den Austausch historischer Archivalien (The German-Danish agreement regarding the exchange of historical archives). A.Z. 42/43: 338-343 (1934).

Staatsarchivdirektor Stephan, of Kiel, sketches the causes and results of this agreement. It arose from the situation created by the Treaty of Vienna, 1864, by which Schleswig-Holstein was transferred from Denmark to Prussia. As a result of the exchange provided for in the agreement (1933) both the collections of the Prussian state archives at Kiel and the royal archives of Denmark have been rounded out.

SCHAFFER, REINHOLD, Das Stadtarchiv Nürnberg in seinem neuen Heim (The Nuremburg municipal archives in their new home). A.Z. 42/43: 344-361 (1934).

The *Direktor* of this archival establishment describes the various buildings in which its holdings have been stored in the past. The new home is a former residence which provides safer conditions for storage than any building formerly used.

GLÜCK, PAUL, Graphologie und Geschichtsforsung. II (Graphology and historical research. Part II). A.Z. 42/43: 362-370 (1934).

A study of the handwriting of various Prussian sovereigns from Frederick, the Great Elector, to Frederick the Great by the *Staatsarchivdirektor* of Bamberg. He attempts to show that the writing, particularly the formation of the letter "F," expresses the monarchical character of the various sovereigns.

STENGEL, EDMUND E., Lichtbildarchiv der älteren Urkunden auf deutschem Boden: Erster Arbeitsbericht, 1930-1933 (Archival division for the photographic reproduction of the older German documents: First report, 1930-1933). A.Z. 42/43: 371-374 (1934).

The immediate objective of this division, which is located at Marburg, is to reproduce 8,000 documents originating before 1200. While photostating is the most important activity of the division, the report on the use of mercury-vapor lamps, the fluorescence process and other special means of copying old and faded documents is interesting.

FISCHER, GERHARD, Die Quarz-lampe im Dienste des Archivs (The quartz-lamp in archival service). A.Z. 42/43: 375-377 (1934).

The Archivobersekretär am Stadtarchiv of Cologne concludes that the quartz-lamp can be used profitably only in photographing stained documents. In other cases more distinct reproductions may be obtained by means of a light filter. TIEFENTALER, MEINRATH, Der Neubau des Vorarlberger Landesarchivs in Bregenz (The new archival building of the Vorarlberg provincial archives at Bregenz). A.Z. 42/43: 378-383 (1934).

The Unterlandesarchivar of this establishment describes the building erected in 1931. It is of a modern warehouse type without any sculptural decorations but with modern equipment for archival preservation.

GRABER, ERICH, Die Inventarisation der nichtstaatlichen Archive Schlesiens (The inventorying of the non-governmental archives of Silesia). A.Z. 42/43: 387-389 (1934).

Staatsarchivrat Graber, of Kiel, presents a brief statement of the inventory which is being prepared under his supervision. He emphasizes that this project, which was begun in 1922, has been carried on largely by local teachers and ministers rather than by itinerant archivists. Five volumes of inventories have been completed.

LOEWE, VICTOR, Zur Geschichte der österreichischen Archivalien Schlesiens in preussischer Zeit (On the history of the Austrian archives of Silesia during the Prussian period). A.Z. 42/43: 390-393 (1934).

Staatsarchivrat Loewe, of Kiel, deplores the neglect of these archives after the province was annexed by Prussia in the eighteenth century. He advocates that these records be studied thoroughly as a preliminary step to requesting the restoration of related material which has found its way into Austrian and Czechoslovakian repositories.

SEEBURG-ELVERFELDT, Ein neues "Handbuch des Archivwesens" (A new manual of archive economy). A.Z. 42/43: 390-392 (1934).

A brief review of *Archivvinduse Käsiraamat*, Part I, which was compiled by R. Kenkman, O. Liiv, A. Perandi, and E. Tender and published at Dorpat, Esthonia (1933). The reviewer points out that, although the handbook is designed primarily to introduce Esthonian archivists to the archival achievements of the western European countries, it contains practical experiences of Esthonian archivists, a knowledge of which will prove useful to their western European colleagues.

PÖHLMANN, CARL, Französisches in deutschen Urkunden (French in German documents). A.Z. 42/43: 393-395 (1934).

The Oberregierungsrat a. D. of Zweibrücken calls attention to the existence of French letters in thirteenth century German documents originating in the Saar region.

Herkunftsgrundsatz und Kriegsbeute (The principle of provenance in relation to booty in war). A.Z. 42/43: 395 (1934).

Raises the moot question of whether archives should be returned to their original repository if carried off during a war. The decision of the *Staatsarchiv* of Zurich (1931) to return archives taken from St. Gall during the Toggenburg War of 1712 is given.

Zur Archivalienkonservierung (On the conservation of archival material). A.Z. 42/43: 396-397 (1934).

A discussion of an article by Paul H. Hübner on the cure of diseases in paper (*Der Kunstwansderer*, 12: 98-101). Hübner advocated the discontinuance of the use of liquid applications and fumigating processes and the substitutions of ultra-violet ray processes in removing fungoid growths and bacteria from paper. The present reviewer believes that further experiments with such rays are needed before any definite recommendations can be made in the matter.

Mitteilung an die Leser: Wechsel in der Schriftleitung der Archivalischen Zeitschrift (A notice for readers concerning a change of editors of the A.Z.). A.Z. 42/43: 397 (1934).

An announcement of the resignation of Dr. Ivo Striedinger as editor and the selection of Dr. Wilhelm Fürst, Archivdirektor des Münchner Hauptstaatsarchiv as his successor.

Hösl, IGNAZ, Nachruf auf Franz Xaver Glasschröder (In memory of Franz Xaver Glasschröder). A.Z. 42/43: 398-399 (1934).

An appreciation of the professional career of a veteran of the Bavarian archival service by the Oberarchivrat und Vorstand der Abteilung Geheimes Hausarchiv des Bayerischen Hauptstaatsarchivs of Munich.

PIRCHAN, GUSTAV, Nachruf auf J. B. Novák (In memory of J. B. Novák). A.Z. 42/43: 400-401 (1934).

Professor Pirchan, of Prague, writes an appreciation of a Bohemian archivist who was notable chiefly as an editor of collections of documents.

LATZKE, WALTER, Nachruf auf Vinzenz Schindler (In memory of Vinzenz Schindler). A.Z. 42/43:401-402 (1934).

The Staatsarchivar, Vienna, reviews the professional career of the archivist of the German orders of knighthood.

LARGIADÈR, ANTON, Nachruf auf Paul Schweizer (In memory of Paul Schweizer). A.Z. 42/43: 402-404 (1934).

An appreciation of the career of the Direktor des Staatsarchivs, Zurich, by the present Staatsarchivar und Privatdozent an der Universität, Zurich.

GROSS, LOTHAR, Nachruf auf Otto H. Stowasser (In memory of Otto H. Stowasser). A.Z. 42/43:404-406 (1934).

Stowasser was well known as the director of the municipal archives of Vienna. This appreciation is by the Oberstaatsarchivar am Haus-, Hof- und Staatsarchiv, Vienna.

SOLLEDER, FRIDOLIN, Nachruf auf Karl Werner (In memory of Karl Werner). A.Z. 42/43: 406-408 (1934).

An appreciation of the work of the late *Direktor des Staatsarchivs* of Bavaria. Werner won lasting distinction by establishing an archival division for the preservation of the records of the economic organizations created during the World War.

Voges, HERMANN, Nachruf auf Paul Zimmermann (In memory of Paul Zimmermann). A.Z. 42/43: 408-410 (1934).

The Direktor des Braunschweigischen Landeshauptarchivs, Wolfenbüttel presents a brief curriculum vitae of his predecessor. Zimmermann's special field was church and family records and the collection of newspaper clippings relative to the history of Brunswick.

Alphabetisches Verzeichniss der verstorbenen Archivare (Alphabetical list of deceased archivists). A.Z. 42/43:411-418 (1934).

This volume contains an index to volumes 34-43 of this periodical.

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### Poland

Archeion (Archives) is the official publication of the Wydział Archiwów Państwowych (Division of Polish Government Archives), in which is centralized the general administration of all Polish government archives under the guidance of a general director and a ministerial councilor. The division functions as an administrative unit of the Ministerstwa Wyzńan Religijnych i Oświecenia Publicznego (Ministry of Religious and Public Instruction). This journal was first published in 1927 and was issued thereafter at irregular intervals. Since 1931, it has appeared annually.

All Polish archival affairs are comprehensively covered in this publication. Articles on archival theory and economy, historical studies based on Polish archives, reports on archival activities in Poland, archival developments and literature in foreign countries, and official reports of the Polish Government Archives are published therein. The table of contents has appeared both in Polish and French since the first issue, and an abstract of the contents in French has been included in the journal beginning with the 1934 issue.

### Archeion, XIII (1935)

The issue chosen for this analysis contains the following sections: (I) articles on subjects as indicated by titles following; (II) reports on archival developments in foreign lands; (III) reviews of archival literature; (IV) reports of Polish Government Archives; (V) necrology; and (VI) abstract of contents in French.

# I ARTICLES

POMARAŃSKI, STEFAN, ś. p. Generał Juljan Stachiewicz—Twórca Archiwów Wojska Polskiego (General Julian Stachiewicz, founder of the Archives of the Polish Army). Pp. 1-10.

MANTEUFFEL, TADEUSZ, Regestratura Okręgu Naukowego Warsawskiego (The registry of the school district of Warsaw). Pp. 11-29.

BUDKA, WLODZIMIERZ, Papiernia w Balicach (The paper mill at Balic). Pp. 30-49. A historical study of paper manufacture in Poland.

DÖRFLERÓWNA, ANNA, Archiwalja miasta Sambora (Archives of the town of Sambor). Pp. 50-70.

TYSZKOWSKI, KAZIMIERZ, Z dziejów polskiej archiwistyki prywatnej. Instrukcja archiwalna z XVIII w. (History of private archives in Poland. Archival regulations in the eighteenth century). Pp. 71-82.

KONARSKI, KAZIMIERZ, Zespół akt kancelarji Wojennego Generał-Gubernatora Warszawskiego (1831-1862) w Archiwum Akt Dawnych w Warszawie (The collection of records of the office of the military governor general of Warsaw, 1831-1862, in the Archives of Ancient Documents in Warsaw). Pp. 83-101.

ŁOPACIŃSKI, WINCENTY, Akta Rzymsko-Katolickiego Kollegjum Duchownego w Petersburgu, dotyczące spraw unickich (The records of the Roman Catholic Ecclesiastical College in Petersburg relative to the uniate questions). Pp. 102-120.

### II ARCHIVAL DEVELOPMENTS IN FOREIGN LANDS

SUCHODOLSKI, WITOLD, Estońska Ustawa Archiwalna (Esthonian archival legislation). Pp. 121-129.

A summary of the presidential decree of the Esthonian Republic, dated June 12, 1935, organizing and regulating the archival service of the Esthonian government. The law is composed of fifty-six paragraphs and is divided into four main parts dealing with: (1) the organization of archival services; (2) the extent of jurisdiction in so far as arrangement, use, preservation, and weeding of records is concerned; (3) matters relating to archives personnel, such as qualifications and appointments; and (4) laws or regulations annulled or superseded by the new legislation.

# III REVIEWS OF ARCHIVAL LITERATURE

In this section, the following six pamphlets published by the Komisja Wydawnicza Sekcji Archiwalnej Towarzystwa Milosników Historji (Publications Commission of the Archives Section of the Society of History Patrons), are reviewed, the first five by Aleksy Bachulski, pp. 130-137, and the sixth by Feliks Pohorecki, pp. 137-146. These brochures, in which are incorporated the laws, regulations and practices governing modern Polish archival service as recently reorganized, are used as texts in the Polish archives course. The incorporation of the regulations in these texts gains special significance when it is understood that the course is conducted for government employees engaged in the making, handling and preservation of records in the registries and archival establishments of the Polish administrations, as well as for university students, who are taught the methodology of historical research in modern archives.

The seventh review, also by Feliks Pohorecki, is of a privately printed publication.

KALEŃSKI, GUSTAW, Brakowanie akt (The weeding of records). Warsaw, 1934. 44 pp. This pamphlet is based on the legislation for the preservation of records of the Polish government administrative offices, which appeared in *Monitor Polski*, 2 (1932).

STOSYK, STEFAN, Przepisy kancelarijne dla urzędów administracji publicznej w teoriji i praktyce (Official regulations for public administrative offices in theory and practice). Warsaw, 1934. 45 pp.

An explanation of the practical application of the sixteen-paragraph law, published in *Monitor Polski*, 196 (1931), regulating the arrangement of various types of records.

MANTEUFFEL, TADEUSZ, Wykaz akt, wskazówki praktyczne (Filing of records, practical indexes). Warsaw, 1935. 40 pp.

A study of various filing systems used in Polish administrative offices, registries and archival establishments.

MORACZEWSKI, ADAM, Szycie akt, wskazówki praktyczne (Binding of records, practical indexes). Warsaw, 1935. 34 pp.

Several binding methods are illustrated in this pamphlet. The proper materials for use in efficient binding are also listed.

SIERIERSKI, WIESŁAW, Rejestracja spraw i obieg akt w urzędach (Registration of cases and circulation of records in offices). Warsaw, 1935. 37 pp.

A study of various types of registers and their purposes as used in Polish government offices.

PRZELASKOWSKI, RYSZARD, Program prac wewnętrzych w archiwach nowożytnych (Program of internal working procedure in modern archives). Warsaw, 1935. 55 pp.

Instructions on the mechanics of administrative procedure in modern Polish archival establishments.

SERUGA, JÓZEF, Dokumenty pergaminowe w zbiorach bibljoteczno-muzealnych Hr. Tarnowskich w Suchej (Documents on parchment in the library-museum collections of the Tarnowski Counts in Sucha). Cracow, 1936. Published by Julius, Count Tarnowski. 84 pp., 2 illus. Pp. 146-151.

# IV REPORTS OF GOVERNMENT ARCHIVES

Sprawozdanie z działalności Wydziału Archiwów Państwowych za lata 1933 i 1934 (Report of the activities of the Division of Government Archives for the years 1933 and 1934). Pp. 152-171.

A general report by the administrative Division of the Polish Government Archives on its directorial and supervisory activities on the following subjects: budget, visits of the general director to government archival establishments in various places in Poland, the arrangement and inventorying of records, changes in archival systems in certain archival establishments, completion of archival collections, weeding of records, housing of records, participation in meetings of the Archives Council, protection of private archives, publications, participation in the International Congress of Historians in Warsaw, library accessions of archival literature in exchange for *Archeion* and otherwise, archives training courses, extension of archival scholarships and apprenticeships to university students, standardization of typography, execution of archival agreements with the neighboring governments of Austria, Germany, Czechoslovakia and the Free City of Danzig. There are three appendixes to the report which list records received from the Soviet Union between January 1, 1933 and December 31, 1935, and from Germany and Czechoslovakia during 1933 and 1934. The records returned to Czechoslovakia during the same period are also listed.

STOJANOWSKI, JÓZEF, Dotychczasowe wykonywanie układu archiwalnego polskoaustrjackiego (Present status of the Polish-Austrian archival agreement). Pp. 172-182.

A detailed report of the activities of the Polish delegation which negotiated with authorities of the Austrian government for the return of records pertaining to Poland. This report also lists the records received from Vienna as a result of the archival agreement of October 26, 1932.

KONARSKI, KAZIMIERZ, Dziesięciolecie Kursów Archiwalnych (Decennial of the archives courses). Pp. 183-186.

The author is the director of Archiwum Akt Dawnych (Archives of Ancient Documents) in Warsaw, who initiated the courses in that institution. This article is a comprehensive historical outline of the genesis and development of the Polish archives course since its inception in 1925. In the beginning the courses were exclusively academic in character and were conducted for the purpose of acquainting university students with the methodology of historical research in Polish archives. Special attention was devoted to research in modern sources because orientation in the constantly increasing bulk of modern materials is much more difficult than in the medieval. In addition to the original course, another one was inaugurated for the instruction of Polish government employees engaged in the handling and preservation of records in registries and government offices. The program includes: (1) the work of the archives, (2) archival science and economy in Poland and abroad, (3) the present organization of bureaus, and (4) the relationship between records in the registries and government offices and those preserved in the archives. These courses constitute a basis for a curriculum for a future school of archivists.

RYBARSKI, ANTONI, Sprawozdanie z działalności Archiwów Państwowych. Lata 1933 i 1934. (Report of the activities of government archives for the years 1933 and 1934). Pp. 187-265.

This is a synthesized report by the ministerial councilor of the Division of Government Archives on the activities of all the Polish government archival establishments located in various parts of Poland as well as of those in Warsaw. The report deals with the following subjects: (1) the arrangement and inventorying of *fonds*, (2) changes in the contents of *fonds* as a result of accessions and the exchange of records between archival establishments in order to complete collections, and (3) archival research and reference services including publications based thereon. Under each of these subject classifications a detailed account of the work performed in each archival establishment during the years 1933 and 1934 appears under the title of the individual institution.

# V NECROLOGY

ŁOPACIŃSKI, WINCENTY, Wspomnienia (Commemorations). Pp. 266-269. Eulogies for Miss Aniela Malachowska, deceased archivist of the Archives of Public Instruction in Warsaw and Czesław Przybylski, deceased architect of a Polish government archives building.

### VI

Streszczenia w języku francuskim (Abstract in French). Pp. 270-278.

OLGA P. PALMER